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ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Wednesday, May 8, 2002

The Senate met at 10:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Betzold imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by Senator Dean E. Johnson.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Anderson	Frederickson
Bachmann	Higgins
Belanger	Hottinger
Berg	Johnson, Dave
Berglin	Johnson, Dean
Betzold	Johnson, Debbie
Cohen	Kelley, S.P.
Day	Kierlin
Dille	Kiscaden
Fischbach	Kleis
Foley	Knutson
Fowler	Langseth

Lesewski Lessard Limmer Lourey Marty Metzen Moe, R.D. Moua Murphy Neuville Oliver Ourada Pappas Pariseau Pogemiller Price Ranum Reiter Rest Ring Robertson Robling Sabo Samuelson Scheevel Scheid Schwab Solon, Y.P. Stevens Stumpf Terwilliger Tomassoni Vickerman Wiener Wiger

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Chaudhary; Johnson, Doug; Krentz; Larson; Olson and Sams were excused from the Session of today.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce that the House has acceded to the request of the Senate for the appointment of a Conference Committee, consisting of 3 members of the House, on the amendments adopted by the House to the following Senate File:

S.F. No. 3099: A bill for an act relating to human services; allowing the ombudsman for corrections to apply for or receive certain grants; making changes to continuing care programs; modifying case manager continuing education requirements; adding an exemption from preadmission screening requirements; modifying targeted case management client contact

requirements; requiring a case management services study; modifying planned closure rate adjustment provisions; correcting inconsistencies in mental health services coverage in border states; requiring plumbers to be licensed; establishing inspection requirements for new plumbing installations; allowing the commissioner to charge fees to hire staff; licensing restricted plumbing contractors; requiring rulemaking; expanding MFIP hardship extensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 241.44, by adding a subdivision; 245.462, subdivision 4; 245.4871, subdivision 4; 245.50, subdivisions 1, 2, 5; 326.01, by adding a subdivision; 326.37, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 326.40, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, sections 144.122; 144.148, subdivision 2; 256B.0627, subdivision 10; 256B.0911, subdivisions 4b, 4d; 256B.0913, subdivision 5; 256B.0915, subdivision 3; 256B.0924, subdivision 6; 256B.0951, subdivisions 7, 8; 256B.437, subdivision 6; 256J.425, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 326.38; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 326; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 326.45.

There has been appointed as such committee on the part of the House:

Goodno, Abeler and Huntley.

Senate File No. 3099 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned May 6, 2002

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce that the House has adopted the recommendation and report of the Conference Committee on Senate File No. 3298, and repassed said bill in accordance with the report of the Committee, so adopted.

S.F. No. 3298: A bill for an act relating to transportation; regulating public works contracts; allowing commissioner of transportation to acquire land to preserve transportation corridors; providing reimbursement to fire departments for expenses incurred in extinguishing certain motor vehicle fires; modifying provisions regulating disposition of impounded vehicles; allowing limited use of highway shoulders by buses and vanpools; requiring parked vehicle to be parallel with curb; allowing limited regulation by local governments of train whistles; modifying motor carrier provisions to reduce certain regulatory obligations; requiring commissioner of transportation to adopt rules to implement and administer training program for tow truck operators; modifying budget reduction of department of transportation construction district 1; providing cities and towns authority to collect unpaid bills for certain emergency services from nonresidents; removing sunset provision relating to determining city populations for state-aid street purposes; requiring commissioner to retain Stillwater Bridge project in transportation improvement program; requiring commissioner to prepare new signal agreement in city of Anoka; providing for resolution of dispute relating to Camp Coldwater Springs; establishing vanpool demonstration project, highway corridor-protection demonstration project, and commuter rail station working group; allowing use of trunk highway funds for certain transit operations; exempting certain federal funds from statutory matching requirements; making clarifying changes; providing for fees; appropriating money for various projects and activities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 161.20, subdivision 2; 161.465; 168B.051, subdivisions 1a, 2; 169.35, subdivision 1; 169.86, subdivision 5; 221.0252, subdivision 3; 221.0314, by adding a subdivision; 221.0355, subdivisions 2, 3; 221.221, subdivision 4; 221.605, subdivision 1; 366.011; 366.012; Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, sections 117.51; 161.162, subdivision 2; 169.825, subdivision 11; 221.221, subdivision 2; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 8, article 1, section 2, subdivision 7; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 8, article 1, section 8; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 8, article 2, section 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 15; 168; 169; 174; 299A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 221.0313.

Senate File No. 3298 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned May 6, 2002

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce that the House has adopted the recommendation and report of the Conference Committee on Senate File No. 3384, and repassed said bill in accordance with the report of the Committee, so adopted.

S.F. No. 3384: A bill for an act relating to elections; changing certain provisions of the campaign finance and public disclosure law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 10A.01, subdivision 35; 10A.02, subdivision 11; 10A.025, subdivisions 2, 4; 10A.03, subdivision 3; 10A.04, subdivisions 4, 5, 6; 10A.08; 10A.09, subdivision 7; 10A.11, subdivision 7; 10A.12, subdivision 6; 10A.13, subdivision 1; 10A.14, subdivision 4; 10A.15, subdivision 12, by adding subdivisions; 10A.25, subdivision 10, by adding a subdivision; 10A.255, subdivision 1; 10A.27, subdivisions 1, 9, 11, 13; 10A.273, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 10A.28, subdivisions 1, 2, 4; 10A.29; 10A.322, subdivision 1; 10A.323; 356A.06, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 10A.31, subdivision 7.

Senate File No. 3384 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned May 6, 2002

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that Joint Rule 2.03 be suspended as it relates to the Committee Report on S.F. No. 1589. The motion prevailed.

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the Committee Report at the Desk be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator Krentz from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1589: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI; dedicating the sales tax receipts equal to a sales tax of 3/16 of one percent on taxable sales for natural resource purposes; creating a heritage enhancement fund and a heritage enhancement council; modifying the disposition of the payments in lieu of sales tax for lottery tickets; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 97A.055, subdivision 2; 297A.94; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Section 1. [CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.]

An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment is adopted, a section will be added to article XI, to read:

Sec. 15. Beginning July 1, 2005, until June 30, 2026, the sales and use tax receipts equal to the state sales and use tax of 3/16 of one percent on sales and uses taxable under the general state sales and use tax law, plus penalties and interest and reduced by any refunds, are dedicated as follows: 50 percent of the receipts shall be deposited in the heritage enhancement fund and may be spent

only to improve, enhance, and protect the state's natural resources, fish and wildlife and habitats for fishing, hunting, and other uses, forests, wetlands, prairies, lakes, rivers, and watersheds; 22.5 percent of the receipts may be spent only for state parks and trails; 22.5 percent of the receipts may be spent only on metropolitan park and trail grants; three percent of the receipts may be spent only on local trail grants; and two percent of the receipts may be spent only for the Minnesota zoological garden, the Como park zoo, and the Duluth zoo. A heritage enhancement fund is created in the state treasury. The money dedicated under this section shall be appropriated by law and shall not be used as a substitute for traditional funding sources for the purposes specified, but the dedicated money shall supplement traditional sources of funding for those purposes. Land acquired by fee or easement with money deposited in the heritage enhancement fund under this section must be open to public taking of fish and game during the open season unless otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 2. [SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.]

The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the 2002 general election. The question submitted shall be:

"Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide funding beginning July 1, 2005, to improve, enhance, and protect the state's natural resources; its fish and wildlife and habitats for fishing, hunting, and other uses; its forests, wetlands, and prairies; its lakes, rivers, and watersheds; its state parks and trails, metropolitan parks and trails, local trails, and state and local zoos by dedicating the sales and use tax receipts equal to the state sales and use tax of 3/16 of one percent on taxable sales until the year 2026?

Yes....."

Sec. 3. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Sections 1 and 2 apply to sales and uses occurring after June 30, 2005.

ARTICLE 2

CONFORMING CHANGES

Section 1. [97A.056] [HERITAGE ENHANCEMENT FUND; HERITAGE ENHANCEMENT COUNCIL.]

Subdivision 1. [HERITAGE ENHANCEMENT FUND.] The heritage enhancement fund is established in the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. All money earned by the heritage enhancement fund must be credited to the fund. At least 97 percent of the money appropriated from the fund must be spent on natural resource, fish and wildlife and habitat for fishing, hunting, and other uses, forest, wetland, prairie, lake, river, and watershed projects on public and private lands.

Subd. 2. [HERITAGE ENHANCEMENT COUNCIL.] (a) A heritage enhancement council of 15 members is created, on July 1, 2003, consisting of:

(1) two members of the senate appointed by the senate subcommittee on committees of the committee on rules and administration;

(2) two members of the house appointed by the speaker of the house;

(3) four public members representing hunting, fishing, and wildlife interests appointed by the senate subcommittee on committees of the committee on rules and administration;

(4) four public members representing hunting, fishing, and wildlife interests appointed by the speaker of the house; and

(5) three public members appointed by the governor representing hunting, fishing, and wildlife interests.

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(b) Legislative members appointed under paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), serve as nonvoting members. One member from the senate and one member from the house must be from the minority caucus. Legislative members are entitled to reimbursement for per diem expenses plus travel expenses incurred in the services of the council. The compensation and removal of public members are as provided in section 15.0575.

(c) Members shall elect a chair, vice chair, secretary, and other officers as determined by the council. The chair may convene meetings as necessary to conduct the duties prescribed by this section.

(d) Membership terms are two years, except that members shall serve on the council until their successors are appointed.

(e) Vacancies occurring on the council do not affect the authority of the remaining members of the council to carry out their duties. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as under paragraph (a).

<u>Subd. 3.</u> [DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONER.] (a) The council, in consultation with local fishing, hunting, and wildlife groups, and with appropriate public meetings statewide, must produce a master plan, by July 1, 2005, with goals and guidelines to sustain natural resources for outdoor recreation purposes for current and future generations of Minnesotans.

(b) The council must update the master plan every five years. The council, in consultation with local fishing, hunting, and wildlife groups, shall develop a biennial budget plan for expenditures from the heritage enhancement fund based on the master plan in paragraph (a). Until 2010 the council must recommend at least five percent each year for fish stocking. The biennial budget plan may include grants to local fishing, hunting, and wildlife groups to improve, enhance, or protect fish and wildlife resources.

(c) In the biennial budget submitted to the legislature, the governor shall submit separate budget detail for planned expenditures from the heritage enhancement fund as recommended by the council.

(d) The commissioner shall submit a work program and quarterly progress reports for appropriations from the heritage enhancement fund to the members of the heritage enhancement council in the form determined by the council.

<u>Subd. 4.</u> [COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION.] (a) The council may employ personnel and contract with consultants as necessary to carry out functions and duties of the council. Permanent employees shall be in the unclassified service. The council may request staff assistance, legal opinion, and data from agencies of state government as needed for the execution of the responsibilities of the council and an agency must promptly furnish the requested assistance or data.

(b) The administrative expenses of the council shall be paid from the heritage enhancement fund.

(c) A council member or an employee of the council may not participate in or vote on a decision of the council relating to an organization in which the member or employee has either a direct or indirect personal financial interest. While serving on or employed by the council, a person shall avoid any potential conflict of interest.

Sec. 2. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Section 1, except subdivision 2, which is effective July 1, 2003, is effective July 1, 2005, if the constitutional amendment proposed in article 1 is adopted by the voters."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 7, delete "modifying the"

Page 1, delete lines 8 to 10 and insert "proposing"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

Joint Rule 2.03 suspended. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Johnson, Dean introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 249: A Senate resolution honoring the veterans of the Philippine Campaign.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Ring introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 250: A Senate resolution congratulating Luke Becker of Cambridge, Minnesota, for the honor of winning the National Collegiate Athletic Association Team Wrestling Championship and the 157 pound Individual Wrestling Championship.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Ring introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 251: A Senate resolution congratulating University of Minnesota wrestler Luke Becker on winning the NCAA 157-pound Individual Wrestling Championship and helping the Gophers to their second straight team championship.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Johnson, Dean moved that the name of Senator Metzen be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 249. The motion prevailed.

S.F. No. 2707 and the Conference Committee Report thereon were reported to the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON S.F. NO. 2707

A bill for an act relating to real estate; filling in an inadvertent omission for a temporary increase in the surcharge for filing and recording certain documents to fund the real estate task force; extending the effective date for the surcharges; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, sections 357.18, subdivision 3; 508.82, subdivision 1; 508A.82, subdivision 1; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 77; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 98; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 99.

May 2, 2002

The Honorable Don Samuelson President of the Senate

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives

We, the undersigned conferees for S.F. No. 2707, report that we have agreed upon the items in dispute and recommend as follows:

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That the House recede from its amendments and that S.F. No. 2707 be further amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 507.093, is amended to read:

507.093 [STANDARDS FOR DOCUMENTS TO BE RECORDED OR FILED.]

(a) The following standards are imposed on documents to be recorded with the county recorder or filed with the registrar of titles:

(1) The document shall consist of one or more individual sheets measuring no larger than 8.5 inches by 14 inches.

(2) The form of the document shall be printed, typewritten, or computer generated in black ink and the form of the document shall not be smaller than 8-point type.

(3) The document shall be on white paper of not less than 20-pound weight with no background color, images, or writing and shall have a clear border of approximately one-half inch on the top, bottom, and each side.

(4) The first page of the document shall contain a blank space at the top measuring three inches, as measured from the top of the page. The right half to be used by the county recorder for recording information or registrar of titles for filing information and the left half to be used by the county auditor or treasurer for certification.

(5) The title of the document shall be prominently displayed at the top of the first page below the blank space referred to in clause (4).

(6) No additional sheet shall be attached or affixed to a page that covers up any information or printed part of the form.

(7) A document presented for recording or filing must be sufficiently legible to reproduce a readable copy using the county recorder's or registrar of title's current method of reproduction.

The standards in this paragraph do not apply to a document that is recorded or filed as part of a pilot project for the electronic filing of real estate documents implemented by the task force created in Laws 2000, chapter 391.

(b) The recording or filing fee for a document that does not conform to the standards in paragraph (a) shall be increased as provided in sections 357.18, subdivision 5; 508.82; and 508A.82.

(c) The recorder or registrar shall refund the recording or filing fee to the applicant if the real estate documents are not filed or registered within 30 days after receipt, or as otherwise provided by section 386.30.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 507.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [ORIGINAL SIGNATURES REQUIRED.] Unless otherwise provided by law, an instrument affecting real estate that is to be recorded as provided in this section or other applicable law must contain the original signatures of the parties who execute it and of the notary public or other officer taking an acknowledgment. However, a financing statement that is recorded as a filing pursuant to section 336.9-502(b) need not contain: (1) the signatures of the debtor or the secured party; or (2) an acknowledgment. Any electronic instruments, including signatures and seals, affecting real estate may only be recorded as part of a pilot project for the electronic filing of real estate documents implemented by the task force created in Laws 2000, chapter 391.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 508.82, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [STANDARD DOCUMENTS.] The fees to be paid to the registrar shall be as follows:

(1) of the fees provided herein, five percent of the fees collected under clauses (3), (5), (11), (13), (14), (16), and (17), for filing or memorializing shall be paid to the state treasurer and credited to the general fund; plus a 4.50 sucharge shall be charged and collected in addition to the total fees charged for each transaction under clauses (2), (3), (5), (11), (13), (14), (16), and (17), with 50 cents of this surcharge to be retained by the county to cover its administrative costs, 50 cents must be deposited in the state treasury to provide an additional funding source for the appropriations in Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, sections 98 and 99, to the legislative coordinating commission for the real estate task force established under Laws 2000, chapter 391, and 4 to be paid to the state treasury and credited to the general fund;

(2) for registering a first certificate of title, including issuing a copy of it, \$30;

(3) for registering each instrument transferring the fee simple title for which a new certificate of title is issued and for the registration of the new certificate of title, including a copy of it, \$30;

(4) for issuance of a CECT pursuant to section 508.351, \$15;

(5) for the entry of each memorial on a certificate, \$15;

(6) for issuing each residue certificate, \$20;

(7) for exchange certificates, \$10 for each certificate canceled and \$10 for each new certificate issued;

(8) for each certificate showing condition of the register, \$10;

(9) for any certified copy of any instrument or writing on file in the registrar's office, the same fees allowed by law to county recorders for like services;

(10) for a noncertified copy of any certificate of title, other than the copies issued under clauses (2) and (3), any instrument or writing on file in the office of the registrar of titles, or any specified page or part of it, an amount as determined by the county board for each page or fraction of a page specified. If computer or microfilm printers are used to reproduce the instrument or writing, a like amount per image;

(11) for filing two copies of any plat in the office of the registrar, \$30;

(12) for any other service under this chapter, such fee as the court shall determine;

(13) for filing an amendment to a declaration in accordance with chapter 515, \$10 for each certificate upon which the document is registered and \$30 for an amended floor plan filed in accordance with chapter 515;

(14) for filing an amendment to a common interest community declaration and plat or amendment complying with section 515B.2-110, subsection (c), \$10 for each certificate upon which the document is registered and \$30 for the filing of the condominium or common interest community plat or amendment;

(15) for a copy of a condominium floor plan filed in accordance with chapter 515, or a copy of a common interest community plat complying with section 515B.2-110, subsection (c), the fee shall be \$1 for each page of the floor plan or common interest community plat with a minimum fee of \$10;

(16) for the filing of a certified copy of a plat of the survey pursuant to section 508.23 or 508.671, \$10;

(17) for filing a registered land survey in triplicate in accordance with section 508.47, subdivision 4, \$30; and

(18) for furnishing a certified copy of a registered land survey in accordance with section 508.47, subdivision 4, \$10.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 508A.82, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. [STANDARD DOCUMENTS.] The fees to be paid to the registrar shall be as follows:

(1) of the fees provided herein, five percent of the fees collected under clauses (3), (5), (11), (13), (14), and (17), for filing or memorializing shall be paid to the state treasurer and credited to the general fund; plus a \$4.50 \$5 surcharge shall be charged and collected in addition to the total fees charged for each transaction under clauses (2), (3), (5), (11), (13), (14), and (17), with 50 cents of this surcharge to be retained by the county to cover its administrative costs, 50 cents to be deposited in the state treasury to provide an additional funding source for the appropriations in Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, sections 98 and 99, to the legislative coordinating commission for the real estate task force established under Laws 2000, chapter 391, and \$4 to be paid to the state treasury and credited to the general fund;

(2) for registering a first CPT, including issuing a copy of it, \$30;

(3) for registering each instrument transferring the fee simple title for which a new CPT is issued and for the registration of the new CPT, including a copy of it, \$30;

(4) for issuance of a CECT pursuant to section 508A.351, \$15;

- (5) for the entry of each memorial on a CPT, \$15;
- (6) for issuing each residue CPT, \$20;

(7) for exchange CPTs or combined certificates of title, \$10 for each CPT and certificate of title canceled and \$10 for each new CPT or combined certificate of title issued;

(8) for each CPT showing condition of the register, \$10;

(9) for any certified copy of any instrument or writing on file in the registrar's office, the same fees allowed by law to county recorders for like services;

(10) for a noncertified copy of any CPT, other than the copies issued under clauses (2) and (3), any instrument or writing on file in the office of the registrar of titles, or any specified page or part of it, an amount as determined by the county board for each page or fraction of a page specified. If computer or microfilm printers are used to reproduce the instrument or writing, a like amount per image;

(11) for filing two copies of any plat in the office of the registrar, \$30;

(12) for any other service under sections 508A.01 to 508A.85, the fee the court shall determine;

(13) for filing an amendment to a declaration in accordance with chapter 515, \$10 for each certificate upon which the document is registered and \$30 for an amended floor plan filed in accordance with chapter 515;

(14) for filing an amendment to a common interest community declaration and plat or amendment complying with section 515B.2-110, subsection (c), and issuing a CECT if required, \$10 for each certificate upon which the document is registered and \$30 for the filing of the condominium or common interest community plat or amendment;

(15) for a copy of a condominium floor plan filed in accordance with chapter 515, or a copy of a common interest community plat complying with section 515B.2-110, subsection (c), the fee shall be \$1 for each page of the floor plan, or common interest community plat with a minimum fee of \$10;

(16) in counties in which the compensation of the examiner of titles is paid in the same manner as the compensation of other county employees, for each parcel of land contained in the application for a CPT, as the number of parcels is determined by the examiner, a fee which is reasonable and which reflects the actual cost to the county, established by the board of county commissioners of the county in which the land is located;

(17) for filing a registered land survey in triplicate in accordance with section 508A.47, subdivision 4, \$30; and

(18) for furnishing a certified copy of a registered land survey in accordance with section 508A.47, subdivision 4, \$10.

Sec. 5. Laws 2000, chapter 391, section 1, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS.] The task force shall study and make recommendations regarding implementation of a system for electronic filing and recording of real estate documents and shall consider:

(1) technology and computer needs;

(2) legal issues such as authenticity, security, timing and priority of recordings, and the relationship between electronic and paper recording systems;

(3) cost-effectiveness of electronic recording systems;

(4) timetable and plan for implementing an electronic recording system, considering types of documents and entities using the system and volume of recordings;

(5) permissive versus mandatory systems; and

(6) other relevant issues identified by the task force.

The task force shall submit a report to the legislature by January 15, 2001, outlining a proposed work plan and budget for consideration by the legislature. The task force expires June 30, 2003 2004.

Sec. 6. Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 98, is amended to read:

Sec. 98. [WORK PLAN APPROPRIATIONS.]

(a) \$650,000 is appropriated from the surcharge collected under Minnesota Statutes, section 357.18, subdivision 3, to the legislative coordinating commission, to be made available to the real estate task force established in accordance with Laws 2000, chapter 391, for the expenses of the task force in carrying out the work plan as described in the January 15, 2001, task force report to the legislature. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2003 2004, and is to be administered at the direction of the chair of the task force, subject to the prior approval of the task force.

(b) \$500,000 is appropriated from the surcharge collected under Minnesota Statutes, section 357.18, subdivision 3, to the legislative coordinating commission, to be made available to the task force for the development and implementation of pilot electronic real estate projects in diverse counties as described in the January 15, 2001, task force report to the legislature. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2003 2004.

Sec. 7. [EXTENSION OF EFFECTIVE DATE.]

The effective date of the amendment to Minnesota Statutes, section 357.18, subdivision 3, contained in Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 77, is extended until June 30, 2004.

Sec. 8. [ADDITIONAL FUND SOURCE FOR 2001 APPROPRIATION.]

The 50 cent increase in the surcharges made by the amendments in sections 3 and 4 are available as an additional funding source for the appropriations in Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, sections 98 and 99.

Sec. 9. [EFFECTIVE DATES AND APPLICATION.]

The amendments made by sections 3 and 4 are effective until June 30, 2004, for documents last acknowledged ten or more days after the date of final enactment of this act; or filed 45 days or more after the date of final enactment. Sections 6 to 8 are effective the day following final enactment."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to real estate; filling in an inadvertent omission for a temporary increase in the surcharge for filing and recording certain documents to fund the real estate task force; extending the effective date for the surcharges; extending the availability of an existing appropriation; providing for the electronic recording and authentication of certain documents as part of a pilot project; delaying the expiration date of the electronic real estate recording task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 507.093; Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, sections 507.24, subdivision 2; 508.82, subdivision 1; 508A.82, subdivision 1; Laws 2000, chapter 391, section 1, subdivision 2; Laws 2001, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 98."

We request adoption of this report and repassage of the bill.

Senate Conferees: (Signed) Steve Kelley, Warren Limmer, Ann H. Rest

House Conferees: (Signed) Al Juhnke, Ray Vandeveer, Sondra Erickson

Senator Kelley, S.P. moved that the foregoing recommendations and Conference Committee Report on S.F. No. 2707 be now adopted, and that the bill be repassed as amended by the Conference Committee. The motion prevailed. So the recommendations and Conference Committee Report were adopted.

S.F. No. 2707 was read the third time, as amended by the Conference Committee, and placed on its repassage.

The question was taken on the repassage of the bill, as amended by the Conference Committee.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 55 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Frederickson	Lesewski	Pappas	Samuelson
Bachmann	Higgins	Limmer	Pariseau	Scheevel
Belanger	Hottinger	Lourey	Pogemiller	Scheid
Berg	Johnson, Dean	Marty	Price	Schwab
Berglin	Johnson, Debbie	Metzen	Ranum	Solon, Y.P.
Betzold	Kelley, S.P.	Moe, R.D.	Reiter	Stevens
Cohen	Kierlin	Moua	Rest	Stumpf
Day	Kiscaden	Murphy	Ring	Terwilliger
Fischbach	Kleis	Neuville	Robertson	Tomassoni

So the bill, as amended by the Conference Committee, was repassed and its title was agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Senator Kelley, S.P. moved that S.F. No. 3313, No. 14 on General Orders, be stricken and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. The motion prevailed.

Senator Day moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1589. The motion prevailed.

Senator Lessard moved that the name of Senator Bachmann be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1589. The motion prevailed.

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bill was read the first time and referred to the committee indicated.

Senators Pappas, Anderson, Vickerman and Murphy introduced--

S.F. No. 3468: A resolution memorializing the President, Congress, and the Governor to ensure that international trade agreements respect the traditional authority of state and local governments to protect the public interest.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

APPOINTMENTS

Senator Moe, R.D. from the Subcommittee on Committees recommends that the following Senators be and they hereby are appointed as a Conference Committee on:

S.F. No. 3133: Senators Stevens, Pogemiller and Pappas.

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the foregoing appointments be approved. The motion prevailed.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senators Johnson, Dave and Wiener were excused from the Session of today from 10:00 to 10:40 a.m. Senator Lessard was excused from the Session of today at 10:35 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Moe, R.D. moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 9, 2002. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate

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