## SEVENTIETH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, March 9, 2006

The Senate met at 11:15 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

# CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Johnson, D.E. imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Monsignor James D. Habiger.

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

Anderson	Foley	Kubly	Ortman	Skoe
Bakk	Frederickson	Langseth	Pappas	Skoglund
Belanger	Gerlach	Larson	Pariseau	Solon
Berglin	Hann	LeClair	Pogemiller	Sparks
Betzold	Higgins	Limmer	Ranum	Stumpf
Bonoff	Hottinger	Marko	Reiter	Tomassoni
Chaudhary	Johnson, D.E.	Marty	Rest	Vickerman
Clark	Johnson, D.J.	McGinn	Robling	Wergin
Cohen	Jungbauer	Metzen	Rosen	Wiger
Day	Kierlin	Michel	Sams	-
Dibble	Kiscaden	Murphy	Saxhaug	
Dille	Koch	Neuville	Scheid	
Fischbach	Koering	Nienow	Senjem	

The President declared a quorum present.

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

# **EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were received.

February 10, 2006

The Honorable James P. Metzen President of the Senate

Dear Senator Metzen:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

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Scott B. Heintzeman, 4610 Polaris Ln., Plymouth, in the county of Hennepin, effective February 15, 2006, for a term that expires on January 4, 2010.

(Referred to the Committee on Elections.)

February 10, 2006

The Honorable James P. Metzen President of the Senate

Dear Senator Metzen:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

## MINNESOTA VETERANS HOMES BOARD

William H. Tendle, Jr., 2510 Weston Ln., Plymouth, in the county of Hennepin, effective February 16, 2006, for a term that expires on January 4, 2010.

William A. Wroolie, Jr., 1111 Lakeview Ln., Brainerd, in the county of Crow Wing, effective February 16, 2006, for a term that expires on January 4, 2010.

With the retirement of board's chair, Dr. Frank Budd, the Governor has designated current board member Jeffrey Johnson as the next chair of the board. Johnson was first appointed to the board in 2002, and was reappointed in April 2005. He will continue to serve out his current appointed term, which expires January 5, 2009. The change in chair becomes effective February 16, 2006.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans and Gaming.)

Sincerely, Tim Pawlenty, Governor

# **MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following Senate File, herewith returned: S.F. No. 2653.

Albin A. Mathiowetz, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned March 8, 2006

## MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Hann moved that the name of Senator Larson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 740. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sams moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1161. The motion prevailed.

Senator Higgins moved that the name of Senator Senjem be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1161. The motion prevailed.

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Senator Johnson, D.E. moved that the name of Senator Kleis be stricken as chief author, and the name of Senator Clark be added as chief author to S.F. No. 1690. The motion prevailed.

Senator Cohen moved that the name of Senator Lourey be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2020. The motion prevailed.

Senator Reiter moved that the name of Senator Senjem be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2550. The motion prevailed.

Senator Saxhaug moved that the name of Senator Kubly be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2723. The motion prevailed.

Senator Sparks moved that the name of Senator Wiger be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2770. The motion prevailed.

#### Senator Koch introduced -

Senate Resolution No. 159: A Senate resolution congratulating John Grieger of Waverly, Minnesota, for receiving the Eagle Award.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## Senator Larson introduced -

**Senate Resolution No. 160:** A Senate resolution congratulating the Perham High School girls gymnastics team on winning the 2006 State High School Class A girls gymnastics tournament.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## Senator Ruud introduced -

**Senate Resolution No. 161:** A Senate resolution honoring the U.S. Olympic women's curling team for competing in the 2006 Winter Olympics

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

### Senator Ruud introduced -

**Senate Resolution No. 162:** A Senate resolution honoring the U.S. Olympic men's curling team for winning the bronze medal in the 2006 Winter Olympics

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

# INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

## Senator Cohen introduced-

**S.F. No. 2906:** A bill for an act relating to state government; compensating state employees for time they were not able to work due to the 2005 partial government shutdown.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

#### Senator Hottinger introduced-

**S.F. No. 2907:** A bill for an act relating to economic development; extending business subsidy reporting requirements to all recipients of business development public infrastructure grants and redevelopment grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 116J.431, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 116J.575, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

## Senator Kelley introduced-

**S.F. No. 2908:** A bill for an act relating to education; allowing the Perpich Center for Arts Education to participate in the alternative teacher professional pay system; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 129C.10, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

## Senator Clark introduced-

**S.F. No. 2909:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for capital improvements to the National Hockey Center at St. Cloud State University.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senator Clark introduced-

**S.F. No. 2910:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for expansion and renovation of the St. Cloud Civic Center.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senators Ranum, Limmer and Skoglund introduced-

**S.F. No. 2911:** A bill for an act relating to domestic abuse; creating enhanced penalties for the crime of violating a domestic abuse no contact order; adding the crime of violating a domestic abuse no contact order to the list of qualified domestic violence-related offenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 518B.01, subdivision 22; 609.02, subdivision 16.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senators Kelley, Clark, Skoglund, Foley and Dibble introduced-

**S.F. No. 2912:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; reducing elementary and secondary class sizes through a voluntary, incentive-based funding program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 120B.36, subdivision 1; 126C.20; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 126C; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 126C.12.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

### Senators Metzen, Anderson and Sparks introduced-

**S.F. No. 2913:** A bill for an act relating to energy; creating a prepurchase delivered fuel program; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

#### Senators Kubly, Anderson and Saxhaug introduced-

**S.F. No. 2914:** A bill for an act relating to energy; providing consumer protection to delivered fuel residential heating customers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

## Senators Pappas and Ortman introduced-

**S.F. No. 2915:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for a Ramsey County pilot project to address the needs of sexually exploited youth.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senator Metzen introduced-

**S.F. No. 2916:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Heritage Village Park in Inver Grove Heights; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senator Lourey introduced-

**S.F. No. 2917:** A bill for an act relating to health occupations; requiring the issuance of a social worker license under certain circumstances.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Family Security.

#### Senator Sams introduced-

**S.F. No. 2918:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; providing exemption to snowmobile state trail sticker requirement for landowners; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 84.8205, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

## Senator Foley introduced-

**S.F. No. 2919:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; adding a member to the Criminal and Justice Information Policy Group; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 299C.65, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senator Sams introduced-

**S.F. No. 2920:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for West Central Research and Outreach Center in Morris; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senator Sams introduced-

S.F. No. 2921: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for West

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Central Research and Outreach Center in Morris; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Skoe and Stumpf introduced-

**S.F. No. 2922:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; appropriating money to the Board of Animal Health for tuberculosis testing in cattle.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Skoe and Stumpf introduced-

**S.F. No. 2923:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money to the commissioner of natural resources for depopulating deer within tuberculosis quarantine areas.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Skoe and Stumpf introduced-

**S.F. No. 2924:** A bill for an act relating to corrections; authorizing withdrawal by a county from a regional jail system; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 641.265, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senator Skoe introduced-

**S.F. No. 2925:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; providing support for an academic program for chemically dependent students; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Skoe and Stumpf introduced-

**S.F. No. 2926:** A bill for an act relating to game and fish; modifying conditions for a person to receive emergency crop protection assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 97A.028, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

## Senator Skoe introduced-

**S.F. No. 2927:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying the biodiesel content mandate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 239.77, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans and Gaming.

## Senators Senjem and Kiscaden introduced-

**S.F. No. 2928:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing sale of trunk highway bonds; appropriating money for a grant to the city of Rochester for a truck station.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senators Wiger and Higgins introduced-

**S.F. No. 2929:** A bill for an act relating to metropolitan land use planning; removing the requirement for metropolitan council review of school district capital improvement programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 473.175; 473.851; 473.852, subdivision 4; 473.854; 473.856; 473.857, subdivisions 1, 3; 473.864.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

## Senators Day, Robling, McGinn and Ortman introduced-

**S.F. No. 2930:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing bonding and appropriating money for highways; creating trunk highway motor vehicle sales tax collection account in the trunk highway fund; modifying allocation of proceeds of motor vehicle sales tax; removing obsolete language and making technical and clarifying changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 297B.09; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 167.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Bakk, Solon, Frederickson, Pappas and Sams introduced-

**S.F. No. 2931:** A bill for an act relating to finance; providing for the repayment of money used for mineral management in fiscal years 2006 and 2007.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Tomassoni and Sparks introduced-

**S.F. No. 2932:** A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying municipal and county planning and zoning provisions; providing standards for interim ordinances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 394.34; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 462.355, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

## Senators Wergin and Sparks introduced-

**S.F. No. 2933:** A bill for an act relating to municipal planning; providing standards for dedication of land to the public in a proposed development; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 462.358, subdivision 2b.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

## Senator Senjem introduced-

**S.F. No. 2934:** A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying municipal and county planning and zoning provisions; providing standards for preliminary plat approval in a proposed development; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 394.25, subdivision 7; 462.358, subdivision 3b.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

## Senator Kubly introduced-

**S.F. No. 2935:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; clarifying requirements for agreements for postsecondary courses offered in secondary schools; amending Minnesota Statutes

2004, section 124D.09, subdivision 10.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senator Kubly introduced-

**S.F. No. 2936:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the sale of state bonds to provide funding for an innovative school project in Lincoln County; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senator Kubly introduced-

**S.F. No. 2937:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; expanding eligibility for the cooperative secondary facilities program; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 123A.44; 123A.441; 123A.442; 123A.443.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senator Metzen introduced-

**S.F. No. 2938:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Fine Arts Building, Inver Hills Community College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senator Johnson, D.E. introduced-

**S.F. No. 2939:** A bill for an act relating to the city of Pennock; authorizing the city to acquire a certain parcel of real estate and appurtenant building and to expend city funds to improve the building; authorizing the city to convey the parcel to a private entity to be operated as a commercial establishment.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government Operations.

## Senator Murphy introduced-

**S.F. No. 2940:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring bicycle operators and passengers under the age of 18 to wear helmets; updating standard for helmets worn by operators of motorized bicycles and electric-assisted bicycles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 169.222, by adding a subdivision; 169.223, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

## Senators Rest, Higgins, Murphy and Day introduced-

**S.F. No. 2941:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing the fire safety account from revenues on fire premiums and assessments; abolishing the fire insurance tax; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299F; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 297I.05, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

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### Senator Dille introduced-

**S.F. No. 2942:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; natural resources; appropriating money for paving the Luce Line Trail; authorizing issuance and sale of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senators Kelley and Stumpf introduced-

**S.F. No. 2943:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for the Perpich Center for the Arts; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Kelley, Wiger and Murphy introduced-

**S.F. No. 2944:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; requiring in-state tuition status for veterans; requiring the creation of course equivalency guides for military coursework; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 135A.04; 135A.08, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Kierlin, Robling and Pappas introduced-

**S.F. No. 2945:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for Winona State University, Memorial Hall renovation; authorizing the sale and issuance of general obligation bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Ranum, Belanger and Michel introduced-

**S.F. No. 2946:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for a media campaign to fight crime and drug abuse; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senator Sams introduced-

**S.F. No. 2947:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for design of a National Center for Biofuels Research at the University of Minnesota; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senators Pariseau, Koch and Fischbach introduced-

**S.F. No. 2948:** A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying the Minnesota Voter's Bill of Rights; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 204C.08, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

## Senators Pariseau, Koch, Fischbach and Vickerman introduced-

**S.F. No. 2949:** A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for consistency in polling place locations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 204B.16, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes

2005 Supplement, section 204B.16, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

## Senators Ranum, Chaudhary, Skoglund and Ortman introduced-

**S.F. No. 2950:** A bill for an act relating to data practices; classifying name and event index service of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 13.87, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

### Senators Ranum, Chaudhary, Skoglund and Ortman introduced-

**S.F. No. 2951:** A bill for an act relating to crimes; authorizing retention of certain juvenile history data for purposes of predatory offender registration; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 299C.095, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

## Senators Pariseau and Koch introduced-

**S.F. No. 2952:** A bill for an act relating to government operations; making permanent certain Help America Vote Act rules adopted by the Office of the Secretary of State.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

## Senators Rest, Vickerman, Wergin, Hann and Solon introduced-

**S.F. No. 2953:** A bill for an act relating to gambling; making various clarifying, technical, and conforming changes to lawful gambling provisions; modifying expenditure restriction requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 349.12, subdivisions 4, 18, 21; 349.1635, subdivision 3; 349.168, subdivision 10; 349.17, subdivision 6; 349.19, subdivisions 2, 3; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 349.12, subdivisions 12a, 25; 349.15, subdivision 1; 349.151, subdivisions 4, 4c; 349.153; 349.16, subdivision 2; 349.162, subdivisions 4, 5; 349.1635, subdivision 4; 349.166, subdivisions 1, 2; 349.167, subdivision 1; 349.17, subdivision 5; 349.173; 349.18, subdivision 1; 349.213, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans and Gaming.

#### Senators Bonoff and Kelley introduced-

**S.F. No. 2954:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; creating a school district consolidated financial statement; requiring the conversion of Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Standards data into a new consolidated financial statement format; requiring the new consolidated financial statement to be published on the Department of Education Web site; creating a task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 123B.77, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Senators Dibble, Metzen, Higgins, Pariseau and Nienow introduced-

**S.F. No. 2955:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for natural area protection in the Twin Cities metropolitan region

and portions of the surrounding counties.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senators Anderson, Kubly, Metzen and Kelley introduced-

**S.F. No. 2956:** A bill for an act relating to energy; providing state conservation objectives; regulating conservation investments by utilities; requiring consideration of conservation in various regulatory proceedings; providing a study of rate decoupling; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 216B.241, subdivisions 1a, 1c, 6; 216B.2422, by adding a subdivision; 216B.243, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 216B.241, subdivision 1b.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

## Senators Lourey, Kelley, Cohen, Kiscaden and Pogemiller introduced-

**S.F. No. 2957:** A bill for an act relating to health; eliminating the reduction of the family planning special projects grants; amending Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 4, article 9, section 3, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Senators Hann, Koering, Nienow, Limmer and Michel introduced-

**S.F. No. 2958:** A bill for an act relating to funeral and memorial services; prohibiting the disruption of a funeral, memorial service, or a funeral procession; providing criminal penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senators Stumpf, Kelley, Bonoff and Sparks introduced-

**S.F. No. 2959:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; reducing education property tax levies; eliminating alternative compensation revenue from the general education program; creating an alternative compensation aid program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 126C.10, subdivisions 29, 32; 126C.17, subdivision 6; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, sections 122A.415, subdivision 1; 126C.10, subdivision 13a; 126C.13, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 122A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 126C.10, subdivisions 34, 35, 36.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

#### Senators Chaudhary, Skoglund, Sparks, Limmer and Scheid introduced-

**S.F. No. 2960:** A bill for an act relating to consumer protection; permitting consumers to "freeze" their credit reports as a matter of security; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13C.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

### Senator Hann introduced-

**S.F. No. 2961:** A bill for an act relating to education; removing the contract deadline and penalty for teacher contracts; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 123B.05.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

#### Senator Hann introduced-

**S.F. No. 2962:** A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing general education access grants for students; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 126C.20; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

### Senators Chaudhary, Neuville, Skoglund, Limmer and Foley introduced-

**S.F. No. 2963:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; modifying the career offender sentencing law; establishing the crime of counterfeiting federal currency; updating the definition of federal law enforcement officer; imposing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 626.77, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 609.1095, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senators Chaudhary and Skoglund introduced-

**S.F. No. 2964:** A bill for an act relating to consumer protection; creating standards for disposal of personal information to limit the potential for identity theft; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety.

## Senators Chaudhary and Skoglund introduced-

**S.F. No. 2965:** A bill for an act relating to consumer protection; regulating the disclosure of personal information by data warehouses; providing notice content requirements; removing an exemption for financial institutions and health care entities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 325E.61, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 325E.61, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

## Senators Ortman, Michel, Betzold, Neuville and Wiger introduced-

**S.F. No. 2966:** A bill for an act relating to the attorney general; modifying the attorney general's power to investigate in certain situations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 8.31, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

## Senator Hann introduced-

**S.F. No. 2967:** A bill for an act relating to education; clarifying the burden of proof in special education due process hearings; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 125A.091, subdivision 16.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

# Senators Chaudhary and Sparks introduced-

**S.F. No. 2968:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; changing the requirements for a homeowner to qualify for the senior property tax deferral program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section

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290B.03, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

# Senator Chaudhary introduced-

**S.F. No. 2969:** A bill for an act relating to state government; authorizing advance deposits or payments for boat slip rental; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 16A.065.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

## Senator Dille introduced-

**S.F. No. 2970:** A bill for an act relating to capital improvements; appropriating money for lab addition to the University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory building, St. Paul campus; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

# **MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Senators Bachmann, Kelley, Lourey, Moua and Ruud were excused from the Session of today.

## ADJOURNMENT

Senator Johnson, D.E. moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 13, 2006. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate