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#### NATIONAL POSITIONS

Certain positions on governmental issues held by members of the League of Women Voters of the United States include implications for state legislation. Some of these are:

#### REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

Support of an open governmental system that is representative and responsive.

Support of apportionment substantially on population for all elected bodies.

Election of the President and Vice-President of the United States by direct popular vote (requiring amendment and states' approval).

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Support of policies to promote international cooperation and world peace including trade and development efforts.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Support of equal rights for all regardless of race or sex

Support of public programs for income maintenance and supportive services.

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# **LEAGUE SUPPORTS**



This pamphlet contains in condensed form the positions on governmental issues held by the members of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. A complete statement of positions is issued periodically by the League under the title PROGRAM FOR ACTION. Persons interested in more detail are encouraged to contact the League of Women Voters of Minnesota, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, MN 55102. Phone: (612) 224-5445.

The following positions form the basis for evaluating legislation which the League may choose to support or oppose.

#### **JUDICIARY**

Support of a judicial system with the capacity to assure a speedy trial and equal justice for all through:

- administrative reforms
- · improvement of judicial quality
- procedural reforms
- community alternatives as an adjunct to the judicial system.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

Support of policies favoring a physical environment beneficial to life including:

- wise use of water resources
- · improvement of water and air quality
- · reduction of solid waste
- alternatives to sanitary landfills
- discouragement of nonreturnable beverage containers.

#### **EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY**

Support of equality of opportunity in employment, real property, public accommodations, education and other public services for all persons including:

- adequately financed enforcement of antidiscrimination laws
- assumption of state responsibility for Indian citizens to ensure that services for them are equal to those provided for other citizens while recognizing that decisions regarding their lives need to be made by the Indians themselves.

#### **EDUCATION**

Support of increased state responsibility in creating equal public educational opportunities through:

- correction of racial imbalance
- an equalization aid formula assuming greater proportion of local operating expenses, consideration of per capita income, recognition of municipal service burden
- transportation aid
- adequate financing of special aids for children with special needs.

#### **ELECTION LAWS**

Support in state election laws for:

- party designation for legislators
- reform in campaign financing with some public funding
- centralized responsibility in state government for achieving uniform election procedures and training of officials
- extension of mandatory voter registration prior to elections
- extension of election laws to cover school district elections.

## ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT

Support of improved structure and procedures for the Minnesota Legislature and Executive Branch. Support of easing the amending process.

#### **LEGISLATURE**

Support of legislative reform through:

- improved procedures for providing information
- increased research assistance
- no increase in size
- realistic compensation for legislators
- improved organization of committees
- flexible sessions of adequate length
- allowing special sessions to be called by the Legislature

Support of post-auditor responsible to the Legislature

Support of regular and equitable reapportionment

#### **EXECUTIVE**

Support of changes in executive structure characterized by:

- clear lines of authority including the short ballot
- elimination of duplication and overlapping of agencies
- structure designed to focus on current and emerging problems
- system of standard nomenclature

#### FINANCING GOVERNMENT

Support of property tax reform characterized by:

- · equitable assessment methods
- fewer classifications
- limited tax exemptions
- less dependence on property tax as a source of revenue
- increased state responsibility in areas of capital improvements, upgrading standards and experimentation



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State League Presidents, State Water Chairmen or State EQ Chairmen

FROM: Ruth C. Clusen, President; Ruth Hinerfeld, Action Chairman, Jean Anderson,

EQ Chairman

RE: Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1977 would suffer competitive disadventage under this amendment

#### FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

The mid-course corrections to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act will be considered by the full Senate before the summer recess begins on August 6. Though the Environment and Public Works Committee has not yet completed markup of its bill, it hopes to have the bill on the floor as early as July 25. We now know that certain major provisions of the Act will be debated on the floor regardless of the outcome of Committee deliberations. nology economically achtevable" (BAT) for reducing poliuti

Please write, call, or send mailgrams to both your Senators asking them to defeat any amendments to the Act which would weaken federal protection of wetlands and small streams, relax the 1977 technology requirements for industry, allow widespread waivers from the 1983 technology requirements for industry, or substantially alter the user charge requirements for funding the operation and maintenance costs of sewage treatment plants. Check back issues of REPORT FROM THE HILL for background information.

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The final phase of the Section 404 program has just gone into effect and the Corps of Engineers will be regulating the discharge of dredged or fill material into most water bodies. Wetlands and small streams will be protected against the physical destruction that has resulted in the disappearance of fully half of the nation's wetlands. Over the last two years, the Section 404 program has been under continual attack from farm, forestry and mining interests which fear that the program will unnecessarily restrict their normal activities and will require excessive paper work and red tape in its operation. The regulations which implement Section 404 make it clear, however, that such normal activities either will not be regulated or will be subject to general permits which will substantially reduce paper work requirements while reducing the destructiveness of particular activities. Furthermore, there have not been substantial problems under the first two phases of the program and the regulations reduce the possibility that new problems will occur.

Wetlands are important spawning and habitat areas for fish and wildlife, serve as groundwater recharge areas, and provide storage areas which reduce the damage caused by flood waters. The drainage patterns of small streams and the storage and aquifer recharge characteristics of wetlands are especially valuable in reducing drought condi-

The League of Women Voters strongly supports the Section 404 program and thinks that substantial alterations in the program would be premature.

1977 Technology Requirements for Industry Industries are required under the current law to have installed the "best practicable user charges encourage water conservation and reduction of polintant load

technology" for reducing pollution by July 1, 1977. Approximately 85% of all industries have met this deadline. Of the remaining 15%, about half have not met the deadline for reasons outside of their control while the other half have been recalcitrant in meeting their responsibilities. EPA will be exercising its prosecutorial discretion so that only those industries which have acted in bad faith will be prosecuted.

An amendment will be offered, however, to relax the best practicable control technology requirements where an industry has acted in good faith to comply with the law. The effect of this amendment would be to require the Administrator of EPA to prove in court that an industry has acted in bad faith before prosecution can go forward. This is extremely difficult to do and could well result in widespread relaxation of the law's requirements. Those industries which have complied with the law and reduced pollution would suffer competitive disadvantage under this amendment.

Since an amendment could interfere with EPA's enforcement efforts against truly "bad actors" while current administration will ensure that those who have acted in good faith will be protected, the League of Women Voters believes that no amendment to the law is needed in this area.

1983 Technology Requirements for Industry

Under the current law, industry is required to install by 1983 the "best available control technology economically achievable" (BAT) for reducing pollution. Because such technology is the best means for reducing the discharge of toxic pollutants, it is absolutely necessary that the BAT requirement remain in force. In addition to the toxic pollutant problem, many streams will not support a balanced fish population or permit recreational uses unless BAT is installed to control the more traditional pollutants such as biological oxygen demand and suspended solids. Industry believes that the costs of installing this next round of technological controls will be excessively high. They would like the BAT requirements to be waived where toxic pollutants are not a problem and where adequate water quality can be achieved without the new technology.

The League believes that BAT will be necessary in nearly every case to achieve the national water quality standards which provide for fishable, swimmable waters. Further, even case-by-case waivers of the requirements could result in further burdens being placed on point and nonpoint sources which do not receive a waiver. Finally, a waiver provision strikes at the very heart of the policy of requiring uniform national standards for controlling pollution.

We can support, however, a provision which would allow an industrial polluter to prove its case for a BAT waiver. Such a provision would allow a case-by-case waiver of the BAT requirements for controlling nontoxic pollutants where the individual polluter can prove to the satisfaction of the Administrator of EPA and the state that fishable swimmable waters will be achieved and that no additional pollution control requirements would be placed on any other point or nonpoint sources of pollution as a result of the waiver.

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User Charges

The law now requires that a municipality receiving federal funds for construction of a sewage treatment plant institute a system of user charges for paying operation and maintenance costs. The user charge system must ensure that a proportionate share is paid by each user of the plant's facilities. Most municipalities have interpreted this to mean that water meters must be installed; it is clear that ad valorem, property, taxes do not meet the law's requirements.

Advocates of the user charge system, of which the League is one, argue that proportionate user charges encourage water conservation and reduction of pollutant loads.

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and ensure that funds remain available to adequately operate and maintain federally funded facilities. Opponents argue that it is excessively expensive to install meters in many areas and that the requirements are an unnecessary intrusion into the financial affairs of local governments.

The Senate Committee has provisionally adopted an amendment which would make it clear that metering is not the only acceptable user charge system for <u>residential</u> users while <u>ad valorem</u> systems are not acceptable for any users. The <u>League can support</u> this amendment since it would continue to ensure adequate funding for operating and maintaining sewage treatment plants and would require metering for commercial and industrial users; it corresponds with the <u>League position</u> that meters need not be required in existing residences.

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PRECINCT CAUCUS RESOLUTIONS

To: Local Action Chairs

From: Pam Berkwitz, LWVMN Action Chair

Date: November 14, 1977

The following resolutions have been suggested by the state Program people for use at your precinct caucuses on February 28, 1978. We urge all League members to attend their caucus. This is a good opportunity to promote League Program. Our efforts to pass these resolutions are as much for public education as for party platform input.

These resolutions will be in the January-February state VOTER, but you may want to start now to distribute and explain these to your members. We have included some background information so that members will be prepared for any questions. Of course, members could also look at the appropriate League studies for background. Besides getting individual members to introduce these at caucuses, you should ask your Program people to be sure to introduce those resolutions within their portfolio. Do ask people to take resolutions on small pieces of paper, not as a sheet of resolutions.

If you have questions, please contact me at the state office or at home, 920-3364.

- -- Resolved that this party supports ratification of the ERA and opposes all efforts to rescind Minnesota's ratification of this amendment.
  - Background Three states have rescinded their ratification, and though this appears to be illegal, we should resist all such efforts here.
- -- Resolved that this party supports programs which will help increase the supply of low and middle income housing.
  - Background The housing shortage and inflation have made it almost impossible for a great number of Americans to buy homes.
- -- Resolved that the State of Minnesota supplement the federal cash assistance grants if Congress adopts welfare reform proposals which would lead to lower cash levels than are currently being granted in Minnesota.
  - Background President Carter's welfare reform proposals attempt to get a unified federal cash assistance program. This will be a boon to recipients in states where the grants are now pitifully low (such as Mississippi and Louisiana), but it will mean less money for recipients in states which have a tradition of caring about their poor (such as Massachusetts and Minnesota). It is hoped that in the latter states the Legislatures will appropriate monies for supplementation of the grants so that no present welfare client will have to fall below what he is currently receiving.
- -- Resolved that in order to preserve and enhance the environment, this party supports measures to reduce the generation of solid waste including a mandatory deposit on beverage containers.
  - Background Studies have shown that beverages in returnable containers are less expensive. Oregon has reduced its litter and also increased jobs available in the beverage industry. This would also reduce the use of precious resources like aluminum.
- -- Resolved that in order to protect a unique resource in this country, this party supports full protection of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area.

- Background The BWCA is the only wilderness area not given full protection by the 1964 Wilderness Act. There is an adequate supply of lumber available outside of the BWCA. Full protection would comply with the status of adjoining Canadian land.
- -- Resolved that in order to preserve and enhance the environment for generations to come, this party supports measures to encourage energy conservation.
  - Background With a diminishing supply of energy resources, we should do everything we can to conserve what we have. Measures could include reduction in excess lighting, lowered thermostats, wider use of alternate sources of energy, etc.
- -- Resolved that this party supports measures to improve the quality of our air and water.
  - Background We must monitor and correct pollution threatening our air and water and, therefore, the health and welfare of our citizens.
- -- Resolved that this party support an across-the-board reduction in Minnesota individual income tax rates.
  - Background For the past few years Minnesota has enjoyed a surplus of state funds. The surplus has been used primarily for property tax relief and for increased spending. A surplus has again been projected for the 1977-78 fiscal year. Since Minnesota is among the highest in the nation in taxation on individual incomes, especially for those in the middle income brackets, it seems logical to reduce rates rather than collect the money and then return it in the form of rebates or refunds.
- -- Resolved that this party support a reduction in the size of the Legislature.
  - Background Minnesota is among the top 10 in the United States in size of the Legislature. In view of recent legislation increasing the salaries and per diem allowances of legislators, this seems to be an opportune time to act to reduce the number of members.
- -- Resolved that the Legislature act to implement the state constitutional amendment to limit the amount of tax-exempt property.
  - Background Several years ago Minnesota passed a state constitutional amendment giving the Legislature the power to limit the amount of tax-exempt property in the state. However, the Legislature has done very little to implement the amendment.
- -- Resolved that this party support sentencing decisions made by a judge within legislative guidelines and based on circumstances in relation to the crime, the offender and the effect on public safety.
  - Background Offenders having committed similar crimes should be sentenced similarly, taking into account certain aggravating or mitigating circumstances.
- -- Resolved that this party support a correctional system responsive to the needs of the individual offender and of society, and furthermore that we encourage more use of community alternatives in sentencing wherever possible.
  - Background We believe in correctional options that will protect society and will also serve to rehabilitate and treat the offender, taking into account his/her special needs, i.e. mental health, education and job preparation, employment assistance and counseling. When possible, the offender should be treated within the community, since it is there the crimes were committed, and it is there the offender must eventually return.



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February 15, 1978

TO: All State League Presidents; State HR Chairmen; Local Leagues

FROM: Ruth Clusen, President; Ruth Hinerfeld, Action Chairman; Regina O'Leary,

Income Assistance Chairman

RE: Jobs/Income Assistance

#### For Immediate Attention

It's barely a month into the second session of the 95th Congress and the League's action focus on welfare reform is off and running. (See January 1978 National Board Report and January 1978 REPORT FROM THE HILL for Action Agenda.) While the LWVUS has pinpointed the President's "Better Jobs and Income" program (HR 9030) for priority attention, in order to achieve meaningful reform, it is necessary to "protect the flanks" of the reform effort and to pass legislation that will enhance the implementation of the reform. This ACTION ALERT is geared to just that.

There are three requested actions, on three pieces of legislation, contained in this ALERT:

#### FIRST,

all Leagues with members on the House Ways & Means Committee are urged to contact their MC's telling then of League opposition to the Ullman welfare reform proposal. The Ullman bill, HR 10711, was introduced in early February. An incremental measure, it is offered as an alternative to the League-supported comprehensive reform. HR 10711 also contains many provisions of great concern to the League. The Ullman bill was narrowly defeated in the Special Subcommittee on Welfare. Now it is pending before the full House Ways & Means Committee. The League opposes HR 10711 and urges members of the Ways & Means Committee to report the Better Jobs and Income Program (HR 9030) instead of the Ullman bill.

See accompanying memo for analysis and League position on HR 10711.

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#### SECOND,

all Leagues are urged to write their Senators opposing the Senate Finance Committee Welfare Reform Amendments to HR 7200, a House-passed AFDC and SSI bill, pending before the Senate. It will come up for a vote sometime after the debate on the Panama Canal is concluded. The Senate Finance Committee has attached a number of onerous amendments to the bill which would devastate welfare reform proposals. It is extremely important to defeat these amendments for, if we don't get meaningful comprehensive reform this year, we will be left with an AFDC amended by HR 7200 which would be less able to meet the needs of our nation's poor.

See accompanying memo for analysis and League position on Senate Finance Committee Welfare Reform, HR 7200.

#### THIRD,

all Leagues are urged to contact their MC's supporting passage of the Humphrey/Hawkins Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act, HR 50/S 50. HR 50 is scheduled for the House floor the week of March 6. Senate action will follow that of the House. The League supports the Humphrey/Hawkins bill and urges passage without amendment.

The League recognizes the very close interaction between employment policies and welfare programs. Not only does high unemployment spell high cost for welfare, but more jobs are, in the end, the only alternative to welfare. A policy of full employment is the best insurance against uncontrollable welfare rolls.

See enclosed flyer by the Full Employment Action Council (of which the LWVUS is a member) for provisions of the Humphrey/Hawkins bill. See also the January 1978 and December 1977 REPORT FROM THE HILL.

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May 4,1978

TO:

Selected State and Local League Presidents

FROM:

Ruth C. Clusen, President; Ruth Hinerfeld, Action Chairman; Betty

MacDonald, Energy Chairman

RE:

Authorization for the Construction of the Clinch River Plutonium

Breeder Reactor

#### FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

As you are aware, the new League energy consensus calls for giving extremely low priority to plutonium breeder technologies. Top priority should go to conservation, renewable resources, and the environmentally sound use of coal.

In late May or early July the crucial vote on authorizing construction of the Clinch River plutonium breeder demonstration project will occur in the House. (The House will consider budget resolutions during June.)

Because the construction of a plutonium breeder demonstration project like Clinch River would use scarce federal resources that could be better used for encouraging the development and use of these other energy sources, we oppose such construction. In addition, the Clinch River facility is already technologically out of date. Energy Options(p. 20-22) provides background information on plutonium breeder technologies.

The Senate is expected to authorize the construction of the Clinch River breeder reactor. Thus it is vitally important that the House disapprove the authorization. 67 House members have been targetted as swing votes on the authorization; your member is one of those swing votes.

Please write, call or send mailgrams to your member urging that no construction funds for Clinch River be authorized. Please urge others to communicate this message to members too.

Last year President Carter vetoed the Energy Department authorization bill which included funds for the Clinch River plutonium breeder facility. This year he proposed a compromise which would provide only research and development funds for a larger, more up-to-date breeder demonstration project but which would not provide construction funds for Clinch River. On a 20-19 vote, the House Science Committee disapproved the compromise and provided construction funds for Clinch River. The Clinch River authorization is contained in HR 10969, the Energy Department authorization bill.

The President's compromise proposal will be offered as an amendment on the floor of the House. Another amendment to simply delete construction funds for Clinch River may be offered as well. Urge your member of Congress to support all amendments which would prevent construction of the Clinch River facility.

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		<u>California</u> -	McCloskey, Paul Danielson, George		Zefferetti, Leo Conable, Barber, Jr.
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		Colorado -	Armstrong, William	Ohio -	Stanton, J. William Pease, Donald
		<u>Connecticut</u> -	Dodd, Christopher McKinney, Stewart		Applegate, Douglas
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May 12, 1978

TO: State and Local League Presidents

FROM: Ruth J. Hinerfeld, President

RE: Revenue Ruling 78-160

On May 1, 1978, the Internal Revenue Service issued a ruling, Revenue Ruling 78-160, prohibiting 501 (c)(3) organizations from publishing voters guides containing candidate views on issues on the grounds that such materials "can reasonably be expected to influence voters." As a result the LWVEF has stopped making state and local grants for candidate guides and we are advising local and state Leagues to do likewise if they use tax deductible monies.

Because this ruling will have a chilling effect on the hundreds of Leagues who now use tax deductible monies, either through the LMVEF state and local grant service or in separate Education funds, to finance candidates' questionnaires we are urging you to write to your Senators and members of Congress about this issue. We are not at this time, asking for remedial legislation because it seems unnecessary since this is an interpretive, not a statutory change. We do want Congress to be aware of this ruling, its effect on Leagues and other organizations, and to contact the Internal Revenue Service to take issue with this surprising departure from former policy.

As far as we can determine, this action was taken independently without any prior consultation with Congress and without advance notice or administrative hearings.

#### Background

On May 1, 1978, the Internal Revenue Service issued a ruling, Revenue Ruling 78-160, which ignores the historical tax treatment of political education organizations and calls into question the tax exemption of every political education organization currently exempt under Section  $501 \ (c)(3)$ .

Since 1954,  $\S501$  (c)(3) has contained language denying exemption to organizations, otherwise described in  $\S501$  (c)(3), which "participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office." Until recently, the language has never been interpreted as prohibiting nonpartisan political education. Quite the contrary, published rulings and public pronouncements of the Internal Revenue Service and Treasury Department have consistently confirmed that  $\S501$  (c)(3) contemplates the carrying on of nonpartisan political education as a legitimate exempt purpose and activity.



The ruling concludes that the questionnaire activity constitutes prohibited intervention in a political campaign within the meaning of \$501 (c)(3) of the Code. According to the ruling, the language of \$501 (c)(3) prohibiting involvement in campaign refers not only to participation or intervention with a partisan motive, but to <u>any</u> participation or intervention which "affects" voter acceptance or rejection of a candidate.

By publishing Revenue Ruling 78-160, the Internal Revenue Service has, for the first time, taken the position that objective, purely educational reporting of political facts and candidates' views to members of the general public is inconsistent with exemption under §501 (c)(3).

#### What You Can Do

Whether or not your League uses non-deductible monies for candidate information, it's important that you contact your Representative and Senators and tell them that Leagues all over the country would be severely hurt if this ruling is not changed. Remind them of the voters service work carried on by your League. Tell them that if this kind of non-partisan voters education is to be a part of the 1978 elections, the ruling must be changed quickly. Ask them to file a formal objection with the Internal Revenue Service and to request remedial action and an explanation of why IRS undertook such a serious turnaround without advance notice and public debate.

Congressional inquiries should be sent to: Jerome Kurtz, Commissioner of Internal Revenue and Donald C. Lubick, Acting Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Treasury.

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May 22, 1978

TO: State League Presidents and IR Chairs

FROM: Ruth Hinerfeld, President; Nancy Neuman, Action Chair and

Ruth Robbins, IR Chair

RE: Floor Action on the Foreign Aid FY'79 Appropriations Bill

House floor action on the FY'79 foreign aid appropriations bill (no bill number yet) is scheduled for either the end of the week of June 5 or late the following week. The Subcommittee on Foreign Operations marked up the bill on May 9; the full Appropriations Committee is scheduled to mark up on May 25. The bill includes funding for the multilateral (International Financial Institutions and UN programs) and bilateral development assistance programs. The Senate will begin consideration of the bill shortly after the House concludes floor action.

This ACTION ALERT is being sent to state Presidents and state IR chairs only. But as you can see, the immediate target for action is the entire House floor. So, we encourage you to contact interested Leagues throughout your state to alert them to this action opportunity.

Background: As Leagues will recall, the International Financial Institutions, or the development banks as they're often called, are divided into two types of organizations. The "hard loan" windows (such as the World Bank) provide loans to developing nations at a near-market rate of interest. Currently the interest rate of the World Bank is 8.2%. The World Bank's corresponding "soft loan" window (the International Development Association) provides loans to the poorest less-developed countries (LDCs) at a 0.75% rate of interest to cover administrative costs. Countries that are eligible for IDA loans typically have a per capita income of less than \$520 a year. To receive a loan from either window of the development bank a project must be received and approved by the bank and the country must be a member of the bank.

The development banks to which the U.S. contributes are:

#### Hard Loan

World Bank (the formal name is the Int'l Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

#### Soft Loan

International Development Association (IDA)

Fund for Special Operations (FSO)

Hard Loan

Soft Loan

Asian Development Bank (ADE)

Asian Development Fund (ADF)
African Development Fund (AfDF)

The banks were established by charters and countries join the banks by signing charter agreements. In the case of the U.S., the Senate ratified treaties in order to become a member of the various banks. Each member country has a representative on the governing body of the banks to which it is a member. In general, countries have voting power corresponding to that amount of money they contribute. However, by signing the charter, countries agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the charter. That is to say, a country can vote against a loan going for a specific purpose it opposes, but no country can condition the use of its contributions as a prerequisite to making funds available.

Countries negotiate their levels of contributions at replenishment negotiations. On the average the U.S. contributes about 25 % of the total for .11 banks. In the U.S. such commitments are subject to the authorizing and appropriating processes of Congress.

Following the pattern set last year, the issues this year will be adequate funding levels and amendments tying the use of funds for political or trade related reasons (restrictive amendments).

Funding Levels: After hearing Chairman Long's (D ND) recommendation for funding of the International Financial Institutions, the Subcommittee accepted a substitute amendment offered by Rep. Dave Obey (D NI). The Obey substitute, while not providing full funding, provides levels substantially higher than those proposed by Chairman Long. The Subcommittee level for all the IFIs is about \$2.692 billion. This amount is \$823 million below the budget request of \$3.515 billion.

Restrictive Amendments: As one way of making its mark on foreign policy issues, Congress has increasingly turned to placing restrictions on the use of U.S. foreign aid, both military and development assistance. In the past, most of the restrictions were placed on bilateral aid, although congressional guidelines on U.S. participation in multilateral organizations have at times been adopted.

Last year, the House overwhelmingly adopted two amendments to the appropriations bill, which, had they been enacted, would have precluded the development banks from accepting U.S. funds. (The amendments were dropped in the conference committee). The Young Amendment introduced by Rep. Bill Young (R FL) stipulated that no U.S. funds could be used directly (bilaterally) or indirectly (multilaterally) for projects in selected countries: Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Uganda, Mozambique, Angola and Cuba. The Moore Amendment introduced by Rep. Henson Moore (R LA) placed the same conditions on projects that were intended to produce palm oil, citrus and sugar.

As stated above, no country can condition the use of its contributions as such arrangements violate the banks' charters and the banks must refuse the funds. A precedent for the refusal of conditioned contributions was set in 1975 when the IDB refused to accept a portion of the U.S. contribution that had been earmarked by Congress to be used for lending to intermediary lending institutions within a recipient country. Moreover, the banks have repeatedly stated that they cannot accept such funds and the Congressional Research Service also reached the same conclusion.

#### Hhat You Can Do

Mrite to your House and Senate delegations stating opposition to the Young and Moore restrictive amendments. (We expect them to be offered in the House either at the full Committee level or on the floor). Say that they threaten the very basis of multilateral cooperation by attempting to impose unilateral conditions on multilateral organizations. Say that the development banks are an important and a proven mechanism for development. The banks complement our own bilateral development programs, distribute the development task among donor nations and encourage donor and recipient country cooperation. Most important, the multilateral framework is one which diffuses political considerations and thus the IFIs can provide development assistance on a non-political basis.

The Moore commodity amendment is a protectionist measure that would inhibit the very development the U.S. supports by participating in the banks. LDCs must earn foreign exchange to pay for their imports (many of which are from the U.S. : in fact, 40% of U.S. exports go the the LDCs). To do this, they must produce commodities to sell on the world market. Thus, restricting commodity production restricts development. Point out that the IFI authorizing bill passed last year and which remains in effect for the next three years, already commits the U.S. to vote against loans for commodity production when the commodities are for export, compete with U.S. domestic commodities wnd would cause substantial injury to domestic producers. (Leagues will recall that although this language did appear in the authorizing bill last year, a compromise still had to be worked out to ensure passage of the appropriations bill. The compromise was in the form of a letter President Carter sent to Chairman Long pledging to instruct U.S. representatives to the banks to vote against loans for the production of palm oil, citrus and sugar. The letter is to be in effect for FY'78 only. But the wording in the authorizing bill will remain in effect for FY'79). Point out further that this year the House Foreign Operations Subcommittee adopted similar language in the appropriations bill. This issue has been dealt with extensively; restrictive commodity amendments are not only harmful, they're redundant.

On funding levels the task will be to retain the levels set by the Subcommittee. Contact your member in opposition to further reductions, stressing the benefits the U.S. receives from participating in the IFIs. Point out that the U.S. economy benefits because of procurement contracts U.S. businesses receive from the banks.

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June 16, 1978

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State League Presidents

FROM:

Ruth J. Hinerfeld, President; Nancy Neuman, Action Chair; Anne Savage,

Government Chair

RE:

Full Voting Representation for the District of Columbia

As you know, the League of Women Voters of the United States has been actively engaged in the effort to secure full voting representation for the citizens of the District of Columbia since 1924. The House passed a bill this March. The time is now approaching for the U.S. Senate to debate and decide on this important issue of civil rights.

There are two parts to the fight in the Senate. The final goal is to get it passed, of course. But the more immediate problem is to get it scheduled for a vote. Because of the controversy this issue engenders in the Senate, key senatorial supporters of full voting representation for D.C. (Kennedy D-MA, Brooke R-MA, and Bayh D-IN) have said that they must be able to count enough votes to prevent a filibuster - 60 votes - before they can approach the Senate Majority Leader to request a date for consideration. The Majority Leader is understandably reluctant to schedule controversial legislation for a Floor vote due to the backlog of legislation that has been accumulating in the wake of the natural gas, Panama Canal and Labor Law Reform filibusters. However, he will schedule it if support to cut off a filibuster can be shown.

The present strategy, then, is to obtain commitments from Senators; for without sufficient support, there may not even be a vote.

#### ACTION NEEDED

Write your Senators now. If you have already written them this year, please write again, reaffirming League commitment to the issue. Urge them to support H.J.Res 554, the constitutional amendment granting full voting representation to the citizens of the District of Columbia. State the LWVUS long-standing support. You may also want to refer to past REPORTS FROM THE HILL for details on congressional action.

Ask for a statement of their position. Please send a copy of their replies to the national office, c/o Cathy Deely, LAD. Through these replies, we can count the support and identify problems Senators have with the amendment. If your Senator(s) has (have) already indicated support, please thank the Senator(s) and ask them to convey their support to the Leadership (Majority or Minority), urging that a vote be scheduled. Enclosed is an excellent pamphlet, prepared by the LWV-DC, that outlines many of the important facts, sources of support and the language of the consti-

tutional amendment. For your information, the Senators who have indicated their support are: Abourezk (D SD), Anderson (D MN), Bayh (D IN), Burdick (D ND), Case (R NJ), Clark (D IA), Cranston (D CA), Culver (D IA), Danforth (R MO), Eagleton, (D MO), Goldwater (R AZ), Gravel (D AK), Hart (D CO), Haskell (D CO), Hatfield (D MT), Hathaway (D ME), Heinz (R PA), Hollings (D SC), Huddleston (D KY), Humphrey (D MN), Inouye (D HI), Jackson (D WA), Javits (R NY), Kennedy (D MA), Leahy (D VT), Magnuson (D WA), Mathias (R MD), Matsunaga (D HI), McGovern (D SD), Metzenbaum (D OH), Nelson (D WI), Proxmire (D WI), Ribicoff (D CT), Riegle (D MI), Sarbanes (D MD), Stafford (R VT).

#### Legislative Background

House Joint Resolution 554 passed the House by an overwhelming vote of 289-127 on March 2, 1979. A similar bill, S.J.Res. 65 was introduced last year by Senator Kennedy and hearings were held by the Senate Judiciary Committee in April of 1978. (The LWVUS testified). H.J.Res 554 has been placed on the Senate Calendar in an effort to ensure a vote by the Senate at an appropriate time. The reasons for this parliamentary procedure are: 1) the Senate Judiciary Committee may try to block or delay S.J.Res 65 in the Committee (a similar tactic was employed with ERA) and (2) H.J.Res. 554 is the preferred bill -- for in addition to full voting representation it provides for participation in the ratification of constitutional amendments and by D.C. electors in the electoral college. (S.J.Res.65 does not include these provisions).

#### URGENT

TO: LWVs of Minnetonka-Eden Prairie-Hopkins, Willmar, Owatonna, Westonka, White Bear Lake, Rochester, Minneapolis, St. Paul, St. Cloud, Houston County, Grand Rapids, Crookston, Moorhead,

Rock County and Marshall

FROM: Erica Buffington, Government Co-chair

RE: SF 2, D.C. Amendment

DATE: March 7, 1978

SF 2, the full voting representation for D.C. bill, will most likely be debated and a vote taken on Monday, March 13th on the Senate floor. Once again, we need help in lobbying senators that are either against or have not taken a position on this bill. Please contact your senator immediately. We need their votes.

After contact has been made, please notify the state office of action you have taken.

Senators against: Jack Davies Ron Sieloff
Bill McCutcheon Nancy Brataas

Ed Schrom

Senators undecided: John Keefe Bob Lessard

A.O.H. Setzepfandt Roger Moe
Mel Frederick Jack Kleinbaum
George Pillsbury Doug Sillers

Dee Knaak Mike Menning
Jerome Gunderson Jim Nichols

## action



TIME FOR ACTION

To the LWVs of St. Paul, Westonka, Minneapolis, Cottage Grove, Grand Rapids, St. Croix Valley, Austin, Minnetonka-Eden Prairie-Hopkins, Moorhead, Hutchinson, Winona, West Dakota County, Blaine, Stevens County, Worthington, Edina, Bloomington, Fairmont, Red Wing, New Ulm, Anoka-Coon Rapids.

From: Erica Buffington, LWVMN Government Cochair

Re: Action NOW, House File #3, D.C. Voting Representation

January 19, 1979

For the D.C. Representation Bill: Senators Neil Dieterich, Robert Tennessen, Gene Merriam, Tom Nelson, Allan Spear; Representatives Tad Jude, Michael Sieben, Ray Pleasant

Against: Senators Jack Davies, Bill McCutcheon, John Keefe; Representative Lyle Mehrkens

The D.C. Voting Representation Bill will be heard in the House Judiciary Committee on Thursday, January 25. The committee meets in Room A-1 in the State Office Building from 12 noon to 1:45 p.m. Hearings in the Senate for this bill will begin the week of February 19 in the Senate Judiciary Committee. The senators and representatives listed above have stated their positions on the D.C. Bill. Please contact your legislator and if he is for the bill, thank him and urge his continued support. If against, urge him to reconsider and use all of your lobbying skills.

The legislators listed below have not stated their positions on this bill. Please contact your legislator and urge his/her support on the D.C. Voting Representation Bill. Time is of the essence, especially in the House. The list is as follows: Representatives Ray Faricy, James Casserly, Stanley Enebo, Tom Stoa, Peggy Byrne, Raymond Kempe, Gordon Voss, Delbert Anderson, William Dean, Wendell Erickson, Mary Forsythe, William Crandall, William Peterson and Terry Dempsey. Senators Franklin Knoll, Bob Lessard, Gerry Sikorski, Roger Strand, John Bernhagen, Howard Knutson, Ron Sieloff and Douglas Sillers.

For detailed background information see D.C. Representation: America's Last Colony sent with the enclosures in the October Board Memo.



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TIME FOR ACTION
D. C. REPRESENTATION

## Please send a report of your action to LWVMN, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul. MN 55102

To: LWVs of Hutchinson, Grand Rapids, Moorhead, Stevens County

From: Erica Buffington, Government Co-Chair

Jan Jahnke, Government Lobbyist (612) 537-1086

Re: Full voting rights for the District of Columbia, SF 7, Lewis (DFL-St. Louis Park)

Date: February 15, 1979

The Senate has begun to take action on the D.C. amendment. The D.C. voting rights bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee on Monday, February 19th, at 8:30 a.m. It is really important that you contact your Senator this weekend on this issue.

Encourage your Senator (including the following Senators: Bernhagen, IR, Hutchinson; Lessard, DFL, International Falls; Sillers, IR, Moorhead; Strand, DFL, Cyrus) to vote in favor of this amendment based on the following points:

- 1. We are the only nation in the free world that denies representation to the residents of its capitol city. How can we, as a Democracy, deny this basic human right to citizens within our own country?
- Retrocession to Maryland is not feasible. Maryland has repeatedly said it does not favor this method, and Article IV of the Constitution says both sides must agree. Also D.C. residents do not identify with Maryland because they have been a distinct entity for 175 years.
- 3. We are allowing "taxation without representation." The residents of the District pay more federal taxes than eleven states and more per capita than the residents of forty-nine other states.
- 4. D.C. residents served in our wars and yet have no say as to whether money should be appropriated to wage that war.
- 5. Less than one-third of the District's total work force is directly employed by the federal government. Two-thirds work for the private sector, and yet all must obey federal laws.
- The D.C. population numbers about 700,000. Seven states have fewer people than the District of Columbia, and each of these states has two Senators and one or two House members.

Again, we encourage the League and your individual members to contact your Senator this weekend. His vote may be vital to the D.C. bill moving out of committee to the Senate floor. Thank you for your help.

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TIME FOR ACTION
D. C. AMENDMENT

#### URGENT

To: LWVs of Jackson, Hutchinson, Owatonna, Houston County, Minnetonka-

Eden Prairie-Hopkins, White Bear, St. Cloud Area, Grand Rapids,

Westonka, Willmar, Moorhead, Mankato, Bemidji Area

PHONE (612) 224-5445

From: Erica Buffington, Government Co-chair

Re: S.F. 2, D.C. Amendment

Date: March 13, 1979

As of Monday, March 12, the Senators listed below were still undecided on S.F. 2 (Lewis), the D.C. full voting rights amendment:

Howard Olson
John Bernhagen
Mel Frederick
Jerome Gunderson
John Keefe

Dee Knaack
Jack Kleinbaum
Bob Lessard
George Pillsbury
A.O.H. Setzenphant

Doug Sellers A. Ueland Jerry Willert

The Senate is scheduled to debate and vote on this bill on Thursday, March 15th.

We are short the necessary 34 votes to make Minnesota the 4th state to ratify the D. C. amendment. Please contact your Senator immediately and urge him/her to vote yes on S.F. 2.

Thanks!

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#### THIS IS GOING ON DPM

SPOTMASTER ALERT: For latest developments on League issues call Spotmaster (202) 296-0218 from 1 p.m. on Fridays to 3 p.m. on Mondays (EST).

March 14, 1979

TO: State and Local Leagues

FROM: Ruth Robbins, International Relations Chair

RE: Repeal of the Helms Amendment affecting UN funding

For Immediate Attention: Action on repeal of the Helms Amendment is expected late March, early April

The House and Senate will soon vote on whether or not to repeal the Helms Amendment. This amendment to the FY 1979 State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary Appropriations bill reduced the U.S. assessed contributions to the UN and the specialized agencies by \$27.7 million and added language which states that of the remaining assessed funds "no part may be made available for the furnishing of technical assistance by the UN or any of its specialized agencies" (Assessed contributions to the budgets of the UN and the specialized agencies are treaty obligations entered into by the governments of the UN member nations and are binding on them).

The UN and specialized agencies cannot accept conditioned contributions since this is contrary to their established rules and regulations. If the Helms Amendment is allowed to remain as part of the Appropriations Act, the US will not be able to pay any of its 1979 assessments to the UN system due to the prohibitory language which places conditions on our contributions.

The Helms Amendment therefore jeopardizes the entire assessed US contribution for FY 1979. This amount includes 100% of US assessments for the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), among others. This amount represents roughly 25% of WHO's total budget and would affect such other program activities as the International Atomic Energy Agency's research on nuclear safeguards, the exchange of worldwide Meteorological data through the World Meteorological Organization and the promotion and regulation of international cooperation in telecommunications through the International Telecommunications Union.

Write, call or send mailgrams to your Representative and Senators urging repeal of the Helms Amendment. The FY 1980 Foreign Economic and Financial Assistance Authorization bill is likely to be the vehicle for the Helms Amendment repeal. Action on this bill is expected in the House during the last week in March and the Senate in early April. The Administration is pressing to resolve the problem before the meeting of the WHO Assembly in May.

Urge your MC to support repeal of the Helms Amendment which restricts the use of US assessed contributions to the UN and its specialized agencies, because, if allowed to stand, US participation in the UN system will be jeopardized and the financial viability of the UN system threatened. Emphasize that Congressional failure to remove this restriction will cast doubt on the US commitment to the UN and weaken US influence in the UN. Aside from the consequences for US foreign policy, failure to repeal the Helms Amendment could affect the policy of collective financial responsibility and could throw the entire UN system into disarray. Although other nations

have held back funds, no other nation has attached strings to the use of their contributions. The fact is that no other nation has posed such a threat to the system of international cooperation in the entire history of the organization. The US, if it is to remain a leader in the international community and a major actor in the UN system, must respect and honor its international legal obligations.

#### BACKGROUND

The Helms amendment had its origins in the Congressional debate over the management of technical assistance activities in the UN system. The still unresolved question is whether technical assistance -- assisting needy countries through the transfer of knowledge and expertise -- should be entirely funded by UN member nations' voluntary contributions or whether it should be at least partially funded through the assessed budgets of the UN and the affected UN agencies.

As the FY 1979 State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations bill wound its way through committee and floor actions in both houses of Congress, Senator Jesse A. Helms (R-NC) attached his amendment to the Senate version. Nonetheless, it was expected that the full Presidential request for assessed contributions — including the \$27.7 million for technical assistance — would be approved for FY 1979. Indeed, a House-Senate conference committee did vote to restore the full request. Then, in an unexpected development, Rep. John H. Rousselot (R-CA) succeeded in having the House adopt the Helms language as an amendment to the report of the House-Senate conference committee. The Senate concurred the following day.

Because a veto of the bill would have threatened appropriations for the State, Commerce, and Justice Departments the President was forced to sign the legislation last October. When he signed the bill, however, Carter expressed his strong opposition to the "unacceptable prohibitory language" which he stated "would cause the US to violate its treaty obligations (and) weaken the ability of the organizations of the UN to withstand efforts by other governments to impede their effective work." The President has since stated that repeal of the Helms amendment is among the highest of his foreign policy priorities.

#### How much and why is Technical Assistance provided through the UN system?

From all sources -- voluntary and assessed contributions -- the UN agencies spent approximately \$663 million in 1977 on technical assistance activities, or 27% of the total funds available to the agencies that year. However, of the amount spent for technical assistance, about 81% was obtained through voluntary contributions and only 19% from the assessed budgets.

A central and longstanding theme of US policy has been to seek to strengthen the UN Development Program (UNDP) as the primary source of funding for technical assistance activities. The U.S. does however support assessed funding of technical assistance in individual UN agencies when important goals are better served this way than through the UNDP. While the US can oppose assessments levied on it for technical assistance activities by a UN agency, these assessments must be respected as legal obligations of membership if statutes of the organization permit such use of funds.

Charters of the World Health Organization (WHO), Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) specifically provide for assessed budget funded technical assistance. The UN also has a technical assistance program in its regular budget as do some of the other agencies.



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BILLS RELATING TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

IN ATHLETICS

To: Presidents, H.R. Chairs, or Athletic Monitoring Chair in Districts 15 (Strand), 53 (Knutson), 55 (Stokowski) and 64 (Stumpf, Chairman)

From: Jeannette Kahlenberg, LWVMN Human Resources Chair - 429-6070

Re: S.F. 914 (Dieterich, Coleman, Staples, Brataas, Lewis) - Companion H.F. 298 S.F. 526 (Merriam, Dunn, Knaak, Wegener, Setzepfandt) - Companion H.F. 455

Date: March 28, 1979

BACKGROUND: Judge Ronald Hachey's Interpretation of Current Law (MS 126-21) attached. Capitol Letter - March 9, 1979

LWVMN supports the following provisions of S.F. 914 (Dieterich, Coleman, Staples, Brataas, and Lewis):

- \*\*1. It defines "equal opportunity" in athletics to exist if:
  - A. both sexes actually participate in proportion to their numbers and interest levels.
  - B. Available teams and sports accommodate the numbers and interests of both sexes.

The practical effect is that for school districts to avoid discriminations, they must provide separate sports (such as volleyball) to balance those which do not interest girls (such as football); they must also separate girls' teams in sports which interest girls but where most girls would not have the opportunity to participate on the existing boys' teams, due to less height, weight, strength, skill level, etc.

- 2. Separate teams restricted to girls when necessary to provide them with an equal opportunity to participate in the athletic program (present law).
- 3. Cross-over of highly talented girls onto the restricted teams if they are interested and are sufficiently skilled (will be small number).
- 4. Separation of sexes in special programs designed to improve the skills of "those who otherwise would be non-participants." This is to meet the needs of younger girls who are hesitant for sociological and attitudinal but not physiological reasons to participate in coed elementary athletic programs.
- 5. "Public services" (Park and recreation, non-public schools, colleges) are included.

LWVMN opposes S.F. 526 (Meriam, Dunn, Wegener, Knaak, and Setzepfandt) because it provides:

\*\*1. NO requirement for a school district to provide equal opportunity - either balancing sports for girls or even separate teams in sports where boys already have teams. If school districts choose, they can abolish, cut back, or not expand opportunities for girls without being found "discriminatory" as long as they allow the excluded sex, presumably girls, to try out for existing boys' teams. We question how many girls' needs will be met by allowing them to try out for football.

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- Separate teams for boys and girls no reasons necessary; cross-over can be denied.
- Jurisdictional overlap, with the Department of Education given jurisdiction over charges of discrimination in athletic programs, a wasteful and costly duplication of the Department of Human Rights. (We do not have a strong preference over which department has rule-making authority for school districts, though Human Rights will presumably have to draw up the rules for public services if they are re-inserted in this bill.)
- 4. "Public services" have been omitted from this bill though they were amended back onto the House version in committee on 3/26/79.
- 5. Elementary programs are allowed to be separate just when coed activities are beginning to work well in many areas. At least more time to try them out seems warranted, since there is no physiological reason they could not work.

## \*\*LWVMN's most important arguments in light of our equality of opportunity position.

#### STATUS OF BILLS:

On March 30 S.F. 914 and S.F. 526 are to be heard for the first time in the Senate Education Special Programs Subcommittee. Your Senators are members of this subcommittee.

Status in the House: On March 19 and 26 the Education Committee heard one hour of planned testimony on H.F. 298 (S.F. 914) and one hour of planned testimony on H.F. 455 (S.F. 526). Although there were a number of individuals and groups present desiring to testify on both bills, none of these individuals or groups were allowed to present their testimony. LWVMN did testify in support of H.F. 298 as part of the planned testimony (copy of this testimony included) but was not allowed to present our concerns and objections to H.F. 455.

The Governor had sent a letter to the committee expressing his concern about the need to clarify the law and indicating that he would ask the new Commissioner of Human Rights to address this issue as soon as possible. He offered the support of his office in facilitating cooperation between the Departments of Education and Human Rights in developing workable rules to clarify this issue.

In spite of the concern expressed by the Governor and concerns expressed by the chairman of the committee, H.F. 455 was moved to pass. There were roll call votes on postponing action or strengthening amendments. All of these attempts to improve H.F. 455 were defeated 7 to 22. The final vote to recommend to pass succeeded. (You will be receiving another TIME FOR ACTION about contacting your Representatives before floor vote on H.F. 455.)

#### WHAT TO DO:

Because of action in the House and the current status of House versions H.F. 298/ S.F. 914 and H.F. 455/S.F. 526, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SENATOR NOW! Ask him

- To support S.F. 914 and oppose S.F. 526.
- 2. If he is unwilling to do that, to consider the Governor's request that action be delayed until the new Commissioner of Human Rights can confer with the Commissioner of Education to see if sensible rules for the present law can be written, after adequate input from all parties.

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- 3. If still not receptive, ask him to support strengthening amendments to S.F. 526 to define and require equal opportunity. The words of Section 2 of S.F. 914 could be used. (Page 1 \*\*1. It defines....)
- 4. Ask that handling complaints remain with the Human Rights Department. Indicate that a compromise is possible with the State Board of Education writing rules rather than Human Rights Department, as long as rules are promulgated in a reasonable length of time and are coordinated with Human Rights' rules on athletic programs in "public services."

#### REMEMBER:

The real issue is "equal opportunity."

Many school districts now provide more athletic opportunities for boys than for girls, and about twice as many boys as girls participate in high school athletics in Minnesota. S.F. 526 would allow this to continue and declare it is not discrimination.

Use the figures from your own LWV monitoring project, if you have one, to indicate whether your school district's opportunities for and participation of girls are equal yet. Statewide, high school level participation is about 2/1, boys to girls.

#### NOTE:

If separate teams in the same sport do exist, existing law requires equal budget and treatment. This is not changed in S.F. 914 or S.F. 526.

LWVMN has not studied the Minnesota State High School League, and so we took no position on its restructuring or on putting it under the Chap. 15 rule making process, or on requiring coed tournaments: provisions of S.F. 914.

We are not debating the Department of Human Rights' 19 points of conciliation, "sexual parity," or their withdrawn "proposed rules." We are not even debating "separate teams," as both bills allow for separate girls' teams. The unrestricted teams, under S.F. 914, will, in practice, be substantially boys' teams.

If your Senator has questions that you cannot answer, please tell him that I will be happy to talk with him about the issues.

Please let me know the results of your conversation with your Senator.





#### LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

PHONE (612) 224-5445 555 WABASHA • ST PAUL. MINNESOTA 55102 EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY
IN ATHLETICS

To: Local League Presidents, H.R. Chairs or Athletic Monitoring Chairs

From: Jeannette Kahlenberg, LWVMN Human Resources Chair, 429-6070

Date: March 29, 1979

Re: League opposition to: H.F. 455 (C. Johnson, Weaver, Olsen, Kalis, Eken)

BACKGROUND: Judge Ronald Hachey's interpretation of current law (MS 126.21) attached. Capitol Letter - March 9, 1979

- \*\*1. H.F. 455 focuses on separation, not equal opportunity. The crucial issue is that present law, as interpreted by the court, requires equal opportunity. Under H.F. 455 school districts could abolish, cut back, or not expand opportunities for girls without being found "discriminatory," as long as they allow the excluded sex, presumably girls, to try out for existing boys' teams. We question how many girls' needs will be met by allowing them to try out for football. The definition of "equal opportunity" amended onto H.F. 455 in committee in no way changes the lack of incentive to provide that opportunity to girls.
  - 2. The jurisdictional confusion is intensified rather than clarified by H.F. 455 as amended in committee. A new complaint process is established within the Department of Education, just for elementary-secondary athletic discrimination, a wasteful duplication of the Department of Human Rights and estimated by the Department of Education to cost \$70,000. From LWV perspective, either department could write rules for the law, but the Human Rights Department should retain jurisdiction over the complaint process. The Department of Education also has no authority over "public services" (such as park and recreation programs) which were re-inserted into the bill 3/26, and so Human Rights must presumably write rules to cover them.
  - 3. H.F. 455 simply shifts the battle over equal opportunity from the state courts to the federal courts, as Title IX is stronger.
  - 4. H.F. 455 would allow elementary programs to have separate teams by sex. Yet coed elementary programs are just beginning to work well in many areas. At least more time to try them out seems warranted. The reasons for problems are sociological not physiological.

\*\*LWVMN's MOST IMPORTANT ARGUMENT IN LIGHT OF OUR EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY POSITION.

#### STATUS OF H.F. 455

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In spite of the concern expressed by the Governor and concerns expressed by the vice chairman of the committee, H.F. 455 was moved to pass. There were roll call votes on postponing action or strengthening amendments. The proponents of these amendments were R. Kelly, Levi, Long, K. Nelson (Vice chairman of the Education Committee), Otis, Tomlinson, and Zubay. ALL of their efforts to improve H.F. 455 were defeated 7 to 22. The final vote to recommend to pass succeeded. H.F. 455 is now on its way to the House floor.

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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Zubay

#### WHAT TO DO:

If your Representatives are R. Kelly, Levi, Long, K. Nelson, Otis, Tomlinson and Zubay, call them and thank them for their efforts to strengthen H.F. 455 and ask that they continue to work for a stronger bill on the floor.

#### ALL OTHER LEAGUES:

- 1. Urge a "no" vote on H.F. 455, or at least postponement of action. This is a complex subject, and postponement would allow time for the Department of Human Rights and the Department of Education to develop workable rules to clarify this issue.
- 2. If he/she is unwilling to do that,
  - (1) Ask that a section be added defining "equal opportunity" in athletics to exist if:
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- (2) Ask that the departments be required to coordinate their rules and that the law require rules to be promulgated within a reasonable length of time (6 months) and also that the Human Rights Department handle complaints.
- 3. Another approach would be to suggest that despite a cost factor, the bill was

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not sent to Appropriations and a re-referral to Appropriations is appropriate before consideration by the full House.

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#### LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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COMPROMISE)

To: Local League Presidents, Action Chairs, and H.R. Chairs (Selected Leagues)

From: Jean Tews, LWYMN H.R. Chair (612-426-1011)

Verna Higson, LWVMN Lobbyist (612-429-3604)

Re: H.F. 872 - Enebo (Building Code Compromise Bill Companion to S.F. 447-Anderson)

Date: March 30, 1979

BACKGROUND: See Uniform Building Code Update included in March presidents' 3rd class

mailing.

STATUS OF BILL: The

The House Administration and Structures Subcommittee, a subcommittee of Governmental Operations Committee, is currently hearing testimony on H.F. 872 (Enebo). LWVMN plans to testify Tuesday, April 3, 1979, in regard to H.F. 872. (Testimony on other side.)

While LWVMN supports the mandatory statewide building code as it now stands, we are of the opinion that H.F. 872 is the best alternative that has been suggested in this session. It would:

- provide for statewide enforcement of the code except for one and two family dwellings built under the owner's direction in jurisdictions that had not adopted the code prior to January, 1979.
- permit the use of ungraded Minnesota lumber in single family dwellings if the lumber has been inspected by a trained building official.
- provide for training and reimbursement of expenses of these officials.
- provide a one-time grant (\$20,000) to counties to assist them with the start-up costs of code adoption and enforcement.

LWVMN is concerned that if H.F. 872 is not passed by the subcommittee, a bill that does much more damage to the application and enforcement of the statewide code would surface.

Others testifying for the law as it now stands have been spokespersons for the MN Energy Agency, handicapped, and low income persons.

The concerns expressed by some legislators is that they want less state government control and wish to leave the decision to the counties as to whether or not a building code is to be implemented. Some persons anticipate that the vote of H.F. 872 will follow party lines, DFLs voting yes and IRs voting no; the possible exceptions could be DFLers Battaglia and Reding.

WHAT TO DO: CALL your legislators that are members of the subcommittee now. It is especially important to contact those that are expected to vote NO.

We need to convince them to support the statewide building code - VOTE YES for H.F. 872.

If they vote to defeat H.F. 872, a bill that does more damage to code application and enforcement (county options for no code) may be given serious consideration.

Leagues that have members on the full committee should contact them by April 6.

#### Administration and Structures Subcommittee:

Members likely to vote NO:

+Aasness +McDonald

Albrecht +Reding

Battaglia \*Rose

+Ludman +Sviggum

+Wigley

Members likely to vote YES:

\*Byrne \*Moe
\*Clawson +Stoa
\*Kroening

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Other representatives on the Governmental Operations Committee:

\*Enebo - Chairman \*Kaley Patton - Vice Chairman \*Simoneau Minne \*Adams \*Norman \*Stowell \*Biersdorf \*Pavlak \*Heinitz \*Rees

\*Statewide application of the code does not affect the district because the code was already in effect there before 1979. +At least part of the district had the code before 1979.

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#### Testimony

by Jean Tews, Human Resources Chair League of Women Voters of Minnesota on H.F. 872

for

House Administration and Structures Subcommittee, Governmental Operations Committee April 3, 1979

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I am Jean Tews, speaking for the League of Women Voters of Minnesota.

The League of Women Voters supports Minnesota's Uniform Building Code. We support a code, mandatory throughout the state, which is based on performance, rather than arbitrary standards of construction, and one which is responsive to changes in technology and patterns of living. We also support the conservation of energy and recognize that enforcement of the energy code lies in the building code enforcement procedure.

The League of Women Voters is concerned about the several bills before the Legislature which would alter the Building Code. We believe that the Code in its current form serves to protect the health and welfare of the state's residents. It does, in addition, provide a valuable tool for energy conservation in Minnesota. Of the numerous proposals being made, however, H.F. 872 appears to be the fairest. We are concerned, however, that the provision in this bill for exclusion of owner-built residences will leave a loop-hole for large construction companies to avoid compliance. We also believe that some provision should be made for an allocation of funds to be used to explain the Code to communities throughout the state.

In summary, the League of Women Voters supports continuation of the State Building Code in its current form. However, if this committee and the Legislature as a whole believes that amendment is necessary, we support H.F. 872 in preference to the other bills which have been introduced to date.

Thank you.

Reapportionment Commission Amendment S.F. 129

TO: All Local Leagues

FROM: Karen Anderson, Government Co-chair Reapportionment Commission Amendment

DATE: May 15, 1979

ACTION: Contact your state Senator immediately and urge support of

S.F. 129 when it comes to the Senate floor.

INFORMATION: S.F. 129 - Luther will be heard in the full Senate this week (the session ends May 21st). We need all Senators to be aware of League support for the bill. After its tortuous route through Senate committees, it will be presented to the full Senate in a form which provides for a 7-member commission (2 House members, 2 Senate members and 3 other public members) and a 5-vote requirement for adoption of a plan. The bill retains the sections providing for strict standards to ensure districts based on equal population, accountability and openness of the commission to the public and safeguards against gerrymandering. While the League prefers the 13-member commission provided in the original bill, we see an opportunity for compromise with H.F. 38 as to commission size.

> Some legislators claim that providing a commission to reapportion would be shirking legislative responsibility. The truth is that the Legislature has consistently failed to reapportion itself in an equitable way.

Those who prefer the "Sieloff amendment" or the "Judiciary Committee version" of S.F. 129 are referring to a deleteeverything amendment which would say the Legislature "may provide for a reapportionment commission." It would provide no standards or accountability and is simply a tactic to defeat the issue.

BACKGROUND:

Additional background information is contained in this year's Capitol Letters as well as the November-December, 1978, Minnesota VOTER. Enclosed, for your information, is a copy of the letter sent to all Senators in anticipation of the floor debate on reapportionment.

TO: Members of the Minnesota Senate

FROM: Helene Borg, President

Karen Anderson, Government Co-chair

RE: S.F. 129, Reapportionment Commission and Amendment

DATE: May 15, 1979

The League of Women Voters of Minnesota urges your support of the proposed constitutional amendment which would provide for congressional and legislative redistricting by a reapportionment commission.

Regular and equitable reapportionment of the Minnesota Legislature has been a continuing concern of our members for several decades. Historically, legislative attempts to reapportion have resulted in lengthy delays, confusion and great expense to Minnesota citizens. Those who claim that legislators would be abrogating their responsibility by establishing a commission are denying that history which shows that it has been difficult for the Legislature to ensure reapportionment that is equitable, efficient and economical.

We especially favor S.F. 129 as it will appear on Senate General Orders because it provides strict standards to ensure districts based on equal population, provides for accountability and openness of the commission to the public, and provides for safeguards against gerrymandering.

The League of Women Voters of Minnesota urges your support of S.F. 129 when it reaches the Senate floor.

Reapportionment Commission Amendment H.F. 38

TO: All Local Leagues

FROM: Karen Anderson, Government Co-Chair

Reapportionment Commission Amendment, H.F. 38 RE:

DATE: May 17, 1979

ACTION: Call your state Representative immediately and urge support of H.F.

38 when it comes to the House Floor.

INFORMATION: H.F. 38 - M. Sieben will be going to the House Floor this weekend. We need all Representatives to be aware of League support for the bill. Please call your Representative's office on Friday or Saturday and leave a message expressing LWV support of H.F. 38 (except for those members of House Appropriations who have already been contacted). After its lengthy route through House committees, it will be presented to the full House in a form which provides for a 13-member commission. The bill contains sections providing for strict standards to ensure districts based on equal population, accountability and openness of the commission to the public and safeguards against gerrymandering. League prefers the House version of the bill and is opposed to any substantive Floor amendments to H.F. 38.

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SPOTMASTER - 1/29/79

- 1. HUD and CETA budgets As expected, the President's proposed budget contains significant cuts in housing and employment programs. In the housing area the largest cuts are in rent supplements for the poor and in public housing subsidies. Cutbacks in employment programs similarly will hit the poor the hardest. So please contact your Representatives and Senators, urging that the HUD and CETA budgets be restored in Congress to at least current levels. Point out that the burst of inflation already fall heavily on the poor and that cutting the HUD and CETA budgets will force them to bear a double burden.
- 2. The Solar Bank Such a bank would give low interest long-term loans for the purchase and installation of solar energy devices in homes and commercial buildings. We are growing more hopeful that the administration will support the establishment of the solar bank, and members of Congress are showing real interest in the bank. Please write to the President, your Senators and your Representatives, urging them to support the establishment of a solar bank.
- The Extension of Countervailing Duty Waiver Authority Until January 2nd of this year, the President had authority to waive the imposition of duties on inports which had been subsidized by foreign governments. The use of this waiver has displayed U.S. flexibility on trade and has been instrumental in encouraging governments to move ahead with the multilateral trade negotiations. But the President's authority to waive the duties has lapsed, and other nations are expected to refuse to reach a final multilateral trade negotiations agreement unless the waiver is extended. Representative Ulman, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, has introduced a bill, HR 1147, to extend the President's authority so that the final trade agreement may be concluded. Please write to your Representatives and Senators, urging that they support the UMman Bill and the extension of the Countervailing Duty Wiayer Authority. Such a bill did pass both Houses last year but got caught in the rush to adjournment and so did not finally pass the Congress. Tell your Representatives and Senators that quick enactment of HR 1147 is needed this year.

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SPOTMASTER - 2-12-79

- 1. Extension of the Countervailing Duties Waiver Authority The President's authority to waive the imposition of duties on imports which have been subsidized by foreign governments expired on January 2nd. The use of the waiver has displayed U.S. flexibility on trade and has been instrumental in encouraging governments to move ahead in the multilateral trade negotiations, but the expiration of waiver authority has complicated the negotiations process. Other governments are now expected to refuse to reach a final MTN agreement until the U.S. continues to waive certain countervailing duties. To remedy this situation, HR 1147 has been introduced to extend the President's authority to waive the imposition of countervailing duties. Please write to your Senators and Representatives, urging that they support HR 1147, extending the countervailing duty waiver authority without amendment.
- 2. The HUD and CETA budgets The battles to restore the HUD Housing Program budget and the CETA Employment Program budget, at least to current levels, will be difficult ones, but in times of inflation, it is particularly important that human resource programs not be cut back. So please write your Senators and Representatives, urging that the HUD and CETA budgets not be cut back. Even if you've written already on this topic this year, it does not hurt to reiterate your and the League's concern.
- 3. The Constitutional Amendment to provide for direct election of the President Senate Joint Resolution 1. We have very high hopes for Congressional passage of
  the amendment this term. Please write to your Senators immediately, urging that
  they support Senate Joint Resolution 1. Grass roots work on this issue will be
  especially crucial. Remind your Senators that it is important that direct popular
  election of the President become part of the Constitution before we experience a
  crisis in which the Electoral College selects a President who is not the choice
  of the majority of the electorate.

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REPORT FROM THE HILL is hot off the presses, and you should receive your copy shortly. It contains numerous action items. However, so you may get a headstart in working on your Representatives, we have action updates this week on the HUD and CETA budget, direct election of the President, campaign finance, and the Solar Bank.

- 1. HUD and CETA budgets- We have just sent every Member of Congress a package containing the information on housing needs developed by League in response to the November action alert on the HUD budget. That information shows that there is a very great need for additional housing throughout the country. So the time is particularly ripe for you to contact your Members of Congress, reiterating the League's opposition to cutbacks in the HUD budget. Also, inform them that the CETA budget meets important human needs and should not be cut back. It is important that Members receive personal letters on the HUD and CETA budgets as well as those identified as being from the League.
- 2. Constitution Amendment to provide for direct election of the President -Senate Joint Resolution 1 - Please contact your Senators, urging support for Senate Joint REsolution 1. Use the arguments you have used before in pushing for the direct popular election of the President.
- 3. Campaign Finance The bill to provide for public financing for House general elections is HR 1 this year, and there will be a big push for passage. Please write to your Representatives, urging that they support this much-needed reform of the electoral process.
- 4. The Solar Bank Establishment of the Solar Bank to spur the use of solar energy is needed if solar energy is to play a significant role in the nation's energy future. We support the establishment of an independent bank to give long-term low-interest loans for the purchase and installation of solar equipment and to enter the secondary mortgage market to encourage the use of solar energy. Please write to the President and your Members of Congress, asking that they support the establishment of the Solar Bank along these lines. It is important that we build broad general support for the concept of the Solar Bank.

(Carrain Point H.B SPOTMASTER - 2/23/79 REMINDER on HUD and CETA budgets - Please keep up the pressure on your Senators and and CETA MXXXXXX employment program. The February Report from the Hill contains lists of members on relative committees who particularly need to be contacted on the HUD and CETA budgets. 1. Solar Energy - The final decision memorandum outlining efforts which could be made by the federal government to spur use of solar energy will go to the President this week. The decisions he makes will be crucial. Please call or immediately write the President, urging that he take at least the following 3 steps: 1) Set a national goal for the use of solar and renewable energy to 25% of U.S. energy needs by the year 2000. 2) Work for establishment of the solar bank to provide low interest long-term loans for the purchase and installation of solar devices in homes and commercial buildings and to create a secondary mortgage market for solar loans. 3) Take strong steps to reduce the instutional barriers to the use of solar energy. The extension of countervailing duties waver authority - Last week the House and Means Committee approved HR 1147, the bill to allow the President to waive the imposition of duties on imports which have been subsidized by foreign governments. This bill could well go to the floor of the House this week. Passage of HR 1147 is needed before there can be final agreement on the multilateral trade negotiations. Please write or call your Representatives, urging that they vote for passage for HR 1147, the bill extending countervailing of duties waver authority. Remind them that passage of this bill is needed to make progress on the MTN agreement which promises to make American exports more competitive in foreign lands. 3. Direct election of the President - the Senate is very close to resolving its dispute over filibuster rules, and consequently it could move to work on substantive legislation very soon. We expect the direct election could move quickly because it nearly moved last year. Please contact your Senators, urging that they support Senate Joint Resolution 1, the Constitutional amendment to provide for the popular election of the President. Use all the arguments the League has developed in its years of working on this issue.

SPOTMASTER - Friday, March 2, 1979

Action Service -

This week Action Updates are on direct election of the President, solar energy, and extension of the countervailing duty waiver authority. Of course, we are continuing to push to maintain HUD and CETA budgets in the face of administration efforts to make cutbacks. We urge you to continue to work with your members of Congress to maintain the HUD and CETA budgets.

1. Direct election of the President.

Senate joint resolution 1, the constitutional amendment to provide for the popular election of the President should be on the Senate floor this week. All Leagues are asked to send mailgrams to their senators urging support for Senate joint resolution 1 sponsored by Senator Birch Bayh. Remind your senators again that popular election of the President is needed to avoid the possibility of a crisis of confidence in the government that would result if the President were elected who is not the choice of most voters. See the February Report from the Hill for further details.

Solar Energy.

The presidential decisions on solar energy have been postponed because of other pressing issues, but he is expected to receive the options papers on solar energy soon and begin to make the crucial decisions on the role solar energy should play in our energy future. Please write or call the President urging that he take the following three steps:

First, set a national goal for the use of solar and renewable energy to meet 25% of U.S. energy needs by the year 2000.

Second, work for the establishment of a solar bank which would provide low interest long-term loans for the purchase and installation of solar devices in homes and commercial buildings and would create a secondary mortgage market for solar loans.

Third, take strong steps to reduce the institutional barriers to the use of solar energy.

3. Extension of countervailing duty waiver authority.

This week the House passed HR 1147, the bill to allow the President to waive the imposition of duty on imports which have been subsidized by foreign governments. HR 1147 passed by voice vote. The bill now goes to the Senate Finance Committee and then to the full Senate. Please write your senators, especially if they are on the Finance Committee, urging that they support HR 1147. The extension of countervailing duty authority will clear the way for final agreement by the nations participating in the multi-lateral trade negotiations. Culmination of the NPN agreement will mark the first major reform in international trade in decades.

One final note of thanks - The Senate Agriculture Committee is still working on its budget recommendations for the food stamp programs, but the final decisions should come this week. Many thanks to those Leagues with senators on the committee who contacted their members in support of a strong food stamp program.

Popplaton Bushington SPOTMASTER - 3-12-79 1. HUD-CETA Budget - March 15 is the deadline for authorizing committees in the House and Senate to submit their program-funding requests to the respective budget committees. The House and Senate budget committees then have until April 15 to report the first budget resolution, setting over-all spending figures. So this week is the last chance to lobby the authorizing committees during the first round of the budget process. Please use REPORT FROM THE HILL to identify your Senators and Representatives who are members of the committees involved with the HUD and CETA budget authorization. Then please call or send Mailgrams to them, urging that the HUD and CETA budget not be cut back from current levels. Remind them of the particular importance of housing and employment programs during times of inflation. 2. Energy - The Uranian situation and the Middle East peace talks have delayed presidential consideration of solar energy initiatives, and the loss of Uranian oil has shifted focus within the White House toward measures to handle that energy crisis. Thus it is important to reiterate the League's support for solar and other renewable energy sources. It is also important to remind the President that long-term solutions are needed for oil shortages. Please write to the President, urging that he propose mandatory energy conservation standards and that he strongly support the use of renewable resources as the twin element of a long-term strategy. Also tell him of the League's support for gradual decontrol of oil prices with taxes to recoup the windfall profits resulting from decontrol which WE believe will be a means to encourage conservation and the use of renewable resources. 3. Direct Election of the President - Consideration of the Taiwan issue has delayed Senate action on Senate Joint Resolution #1, the Constitutional amendment to provide for the popular election of the President. The Resolution could come up any time, however, so please continue to lobby your Senators in support of Senate Joint Resolution #1.

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BRIEF PREVIEW - A National Alert on Repeal of the Helms Amendment is on its way to you. Please be sure to respond quickly to the Action Alert so that the restrictions on U.S. contributions to the United Nations put in place by the Helms Amendments will be repealed by the Congress.

- 1. Budget League President Ruth Hinnerfeld testified before the Senate Budget Committee last week and outlined our priorities for the budget. She asked for increased funding for Section 8 in Public Housing, current services level for funding for CETA Public Service Employment jobs, and summer youth jobs, an additional \$116 million for trade adjustment assistance, and a heavy government commitment to solar energy. She supported the President's budget request for foreign economic and financial assistance and cautioned that Congress should now provide funding for tuition tax credit, the Clinch River Plutonium Breeder Reactor project, or non-renewable energy projects like coal gasification and oil sale. Finally, she pointed out the League believes significant budget cuts can be made by deleting funding for questionable water projects. Within a month the House and Senate Budget Committees must report the first budget resolution. Please write the members on the Budget Committees listed in the February REPORT FROM THE HILL, urging that the budget conform to the priorities set out above. It is also important that Members who are not on the Budget Committees hear of the League's budget priorities.
- 2. The Constitutional Amendment to Provide for the Direct Popular Election of the President, Sentate Joint Resolution #1 Last week in order to avoid a filibuster on the motion to begin consideration of the Direct Election Amendments, Senator Birch Bayh, the Amendment's chief sponsor, agreed to refer the amendment to committee for hearings. The agreement, struck with amendment opponents, provides that the full Senate will vote on the amendment after June 1st. The motion to consider it will not be the target of a filibuster. We congratulate and thank Leagues for their work on the Direct Election Amendment thus far this year. Please watch REPORT FROM THE HILL and Spotmaster for further developments and action opportunities.
- 3. The Extension of Countervailing Duty Waiver Authority The Senate Finance Committee will hold hearings this Monday on HR 1147, the bill to extend the President's authority to waive duties on imports subsidized by foreign governments. The bill passed the House on March 1st, and Senate floor action is expected within two weeks. Please call, write, or send Mailgrams to your Senators, urging their support for House Resolution 1147. Check the February REPORT FROM THE HILL for background information. Immediate passage of House Resolution 1147 without amendment is vitally important to the successful conclusion of a multilateral trade negotiations currently underway in Geneva.

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ERA - League Vice President and ERA Chair Nancy Neuman publicly reaffirmed the Legue support for ERA last week at a new conference sponsored by several pro-ERA organizations. Neuman said, "We have three more years to achieve our goal. It's not going to be easy, but the margins have been narrowed. In some unratified states we are just a vote or two short of victory. We feel there is still a good chance to pick up the three remaining states we need for ratification with the extension."

- 1 Energy Policy Next Thursday the President is expected to give a major speech on Energy, and we are trying to influence its contents. Please call or send Mailgrams to the President, urging that (1) environmental protection not be sacrificed for short-term energy production schemes; (2) conservation should be the major element of the nation's energy supply strategy with renewable resources and coal playing a major role; (3) the price of oil should be gradually decontrolled, and the windfall profits attributable to decontrol should be taxed, with the proceeds from the tax being rebated to protect the economy and the poor.
- 2 Budget The March REPORT FROM THE HILL is on its way to you. It highlights League action on the fiscal year's 1980 budget. Please review the REPORT FROM THE HILL, and then write your Members of Congress, urging that League priorities be followed in the budget. Please be sure to emphasize the importance of current funding levels for Housing programs in HUD and employment programs under CETA.
- 3. The extension of countervailing duty waiver authority Last week the Senate Finance Committe reported HR 1147, the bill to extend the President's authority to waive duties on imports subsidized by foreign governments. The full Senate will take up HR 1147 this week. Please call or send Mailgrams to your Senators, urging that they support HR 1147 without amendment. Passage of the countervailing duty waiver authority bill is essential to the successful completion of the multi-lateral trade negotiations now underway in Geneva.

rat Llona Jean T. Jeannette Mary Popleton Spotmaster - 3-30-79 REMINDER OF EASTER RECESS: Congress will be in recess April 13th through the 20th, and this will provide you with a good opportunity to make lobbying visits with your Senators and Representatives while they are at home. You might start now to make appointments. We have one other preliminary note: Last week the Bill extending countervailing duty waiver authority cleared its final hurdle by passing the Senate. Congratulations on your good work on this bill. 1. Repeal of the Helms Amendment - Floor action is expected this Wednesday in the House of Representatives on House Resolution 3324, the Foreign Economic Assistance Authorization Bill, which includes language repealing the Helms Amendment. Leagues will recall that the Helms Amendment restricts the use of assessed U.S. contributions to the United Nations and its specialized agencies. Please call or send Mailgrams to your Members of Congress, urging support of House Resolution 3324 and repeal of the Helms Amendment. If the Helms Amendment is allowed to remain the law, U.S. participation in the U.N. would be threatened. You may wish to review the March 14th Action Alert on Repeal of the Helms Amendment before calling. 2. Budget - The March Report From the Hill highlights the fiscal year 1980 budget in all program areas. Please review Report From the Hill and then write your Members, urging the League's budget priorities be followed. Please be sure to emphasize the importance of maintaining current funding levels for housing programs in HUD and employment programs under CETA. Leagues with Members on the House or Senate Budget Committees listed in the Report From the Hill should be sure to contact their Members very soon, since the committees must report their budget resolutions by April 15.

3. Energy Policy - The President's announcement on new energy initiatives was

production schemes.

postponed, but it is expected this week. Please call or send Mailgrams to the President, urging (1) that he seek enactment of a windfall profit tax on oil with the proceeds of the tax to be rebated to the public in a progressive manner based on economic needs and that he begin to gradually decontrol oil prices; (2) that government subsidies now be given to spur production of non-renewable resources such as oil sales and that conservation should be the major energy supply strategy; (3) that environmental protection not be sacrificed for energy

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- 1. The Budget. The House and Senate Budget Committees have reported their budget resolutions for fiscal year 1980. In most areas, particularly housing and employment, budget cuts were made, with the President's proposal serving as the high water mark. So now it is doubly important that your Senators and Representatives hear from you. Remind them that human needs must not be sacrificed. We believe that funds cut by the budget committees in the human needs area should be restored on the floor. In any case, no further cuts should be made. Review the March REPORT FROM THE HILL for background on League-supported budget levels.
- 2. Energy Policy. President Carter's decision to begin decontrol of oil prices and proposed enactment of windfall profits taxes has sparked considerable controversy. Under his plan, only 50% of windfall profits resulting from decontrol will be taxed, and the profits would go into a special fund. The bulk of the monies from the fund would go for development of nonrenewable energy resources, like oil shale and coal gasification. The small portions would go to poor people, mass transit, and solar energy. Please tell your Senators and Representatives that it is absolutely necessary for Congress to act quickly and pass a tax to recover the windfall profits attributable to oil price decontrol. The proceeds of the tax should be rebated to the public in a progressive manner based on an economic need. The proceeds should not go to a special fund to develop nonrenewable resources. Remind them that it is only through enactment of a meaningful windfall profits tax and rebate system that decontrol can be achieved without imposing unfair burdens on the poor and without transferring large amounts of unearned income to the producers.
- 3. Campaign Finance. House Resolution 1, the bill providing for public financing of House general elections, needs a big push during the next month. Please review the February REPORT FROM THE HILL and then contact your Representatives, urging support for this vital measure.
- 4. The Multilateral Trade Negotiations Agreement. The Multilateral Trade Negotiations were concluded last week, when the United States and twenty other nations initialed the agreement covering a wide variety of non-tariff barriers to trade. In a few weeks the administration will submit a bill to Congress which will provide for the implementation of the agreement. The bill should not be amended. Please let your Senators and Representatives know the League's support for fair and open trade policy. We believe such a policy can be achieved if the Multilateral Trade Negotiations Agreement are implemented appropriately.

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- 1. Budget This week the full Senate will take up the budget. The House is expected to take it up the week of May 1st. Undoubtedly there will be attempts to make cuts from the floor in addition to the cuts which have already been made in budget committees. Please contact your Senators and Representatives, urging them to oppose budget cuts in the foreign economic assistance area and in the human needs' area, particularly in housing or employment programs. Remind them that we support cuts in spending on water projects. Review the March REPORT FROM THE HILL for background information on League-supported budget levels for these programs. It is vitally important that you act in urgent support for adequate funding in the human needs area' especially.
- 2. Energy policy Powerful Members of Congress including Senator Long and Representative Ullman. Chairmen of the Tax Writing Committee, are now indicating that a windfall profits tax can be passed to accompany the phased decontrol of oil prices announced by the President. This is good news, but we must redouble our efforts to assure that a good tax passes and that its proceeds are used in the best way. We believe that the windfall profits tax should be set at a level higher than the 50% rate recommended by the President, and we believe that the bulk of new tax proceeds should be rebated to the public in a progressive manner based on economic needs rather than being spent on non-renewable energy projects like oil shale and coal gasification which have significant environmental drawbacks. Please contact your Senators and Representatives and urge them to support such a windfall profit tax and rebate system.
- 3. Campaign Finance Reform The next month will be crucial to House Resolution 1, the bill providing for public financing of House general elections. Please review your February REPORT FROM THE HILL and contact your Representatives, urging that they support House Resolution 1.

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SPOTMASTER - 4-30-79

- 1. The Budget Last week the Senate completed action on the first concurrent budget resolution. New major across-the-board amendment cuts were added to the already meager resolution setting targets for funding in the 1980 fiscal year. House action will take place this week, and there will be amendments to cut the budget by billions of more dollars. Please contact your Representatives, urging them to oppose all amendments that would cut foreign economic assistance and human needs areas of housing and jobs. A quick review of REPORT FROM THE HILL will provide you with background information on League position and funding levels. Human needs support is eroding on Capitol Hill. It is therefore critical that Members of Congress hear from their constituents about adequate funding and opposition to cuts except in spending on water projects.
- 2. Energy policy Last week the President revealed the severely scaled down version of the windfall profits tax, one that House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Ullman believes will pass the House. Senate reaction has not come in as of this taping. The League of Women Voters of the United States has stated that the President's 50% tax proposal in the energy message was too low. The proposals for rebates have been separated from the package and will be considered later this summer. Please contact your Representatives and Senators saying that we support a level of tax on windfall profits higher than 50% and a substantial rebate in a progressive manner based on economic needs. We do not support rebating funds for nonrenewable energy projects like oil shale and coal gasification which have significant environmental drawbacks.
- 3. Campaign Finance Reform May is slated to be the critical month for House Resolution 1, the bill providing for public financing of House general elections. Please look over your REPORT FROM THE HILL articles, especially the most recent issue for April, and contact your Representative in support of House resolution 1.

SPOTMASTER - May 18, 1979

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- 1. Campaign Finance Reform Last week the House Administration Committee began markup for House Resolution 1, the bill to provide for Public Financing of House General Elections. Thus far, Public Financing advocates have been victorious, but the markup will continue this week. Please be sure to contact your Representatives on the House Administration Committee. Urge that the committee favorably report out the bill, House Resolution 1. You may wish to check past issues of REPORT FROM THE HILL for background information.
- 2. Energy Policy It now appears that the House Ways and Means Committee will be sympathetic to tightening the President's proposal for a windfall tax through company oil price decontrol. Bills have been introduced by Representative Cotter, a Democrat from Connecticut, and Representative Stark, a Representative from California, which would tax windfalls at 85% and reduce exemptions to the tax. Please contact your Representatives on the Ways and Means Committee and urge support for a better windfall tax than the one proposed by the President. Tell them we like the thrust of the Cotter and Stark proposals. In addition, please remind them of the League's opposition to an energy development trust fund. The April REPORT FROM THE HILL does contain background information.
- 3. Appropriation for the Department of Labor and HEW The House and Senate Appropriations Committees are starting work on the HEW appropriations bill, so it's not too early to contact your Members on this committee, urging adequate funding for human needs program, especially housing and CETA employment programs. In addition, please remind them that we oppose all amendments which would dilute Title IX anti-sex discrimination protection which would curb busing and affirmative action programs or which would place even more restrictions on medicaid funding for abortions.

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- 1. Energy Policy The Memorial Day weekend provides a good opportunity to contact your Senators and Representatives while they are home. Reiterate the League's support for a stronger windfall profits tax to accompany decontrol of oil prices than the one proposed by the President. Members on the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee need to be contacted in particular. The April REPORT FROM THE HILL contains background information, and an Action Alert on this issue is on its way to you.
- 2. The Budget The first concurrent Budget Resolution for fiscal year 1980 passed Congress last week but only after the House insisted on increases in the Education, Support of Social Services, and Employment Budget functions. By defeating the first Conference Report on the budget, the House forced the Senate to agree to some increases in this area. The League supported the move to make the needed increases. Action on the budget now shifts to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Please contact your Members on these committees and urge that the full budgeted amount be appropriated for foreign assistance programs and employment and housing programs. Particular attention needs to be paid to assuring that HUD's housing programs are adequately funded.
- 3. Campaign Finance Reform Last week the House Administration Committee refused to report on House Resolution 1, the bill to provide for public financing of House General Elections. Despite this temporary setback, we will continue to push for floor action on this important measure. Please contact all your Representatives, urging that they support House Resolution 1. The April REPORT FROM THE HILL contains background information.

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- 1. Energy Policy The House Ways and Means Committee is scheduled to begin markup on the windfall taxes tax next week. Please be sure to send Mailgrams or call your Representatives on the Ways and Means Committee, urging that they support a stronger tax than the one proposed by the President. You can say that an 85% windfall tax break like that in the bill proposed by Representative Cotter, a Democratic from Connecticut, and Representative Stark, a Democrat from California, would be appropriate. Remind them that we oppose the creation of an Energy Development Trust Fund. The May 21st Action Alert on the windfall profits tax and the April REPORT FROM THE HILL contain background information.
- 2. Direct Election of the President Senate Majority Leader Byrd has indicated that in June the Senate will take up Senate Joint Resolution 1, which would provide for the direct election of the President. If you have not already contacted your Senators on this issue, please be sure to do so and, of course, it never hurts to make repeated lobbying contacts.
- 3. The Department of Housing and Urban Development authorization bill Schedule for the House floor on Monday or Tuesday, the HUD authorization provides for 300,000 units of subsidized housing. In this year of budget cutting, we must protect this bill against further cuts. Please contact your Representatives and urge support for the Banking Committee bill for the HUD authoriziation. Urge especially that no cuts be made.

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	Bill No.	Subject	Position	Results
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	SF 455	Bilingual - Native Americans	supp.	P
	SF 120	Pilot Programs - Bilingual Educ. School Aids - 1977	supp. foll.	P
	HF 550	Aid for Gifted Children	supp.	F
	HF 484/SF 512	Categorical Aid for Mature Staff	foll.	F
- 4	HF 394/SF 704 HF 628/SF 487	Categorical Aid for Mature Staff	foll.	F
NO	HF 627/SF 486	Declining Enrollment	foll.	F
Ĭ	SF 156	School Consolidation	foll.	F
EDUCATION	HF 1885	School Aids - 1978	supp.	P
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	HF 774/SF 848	Tenants Rights	supp.	F
	HF 540	Minimum Wage for Sugar Beet Workers Human Services	supp.	F
	HF 2/SF 619 HF 1413/SF 835	Human Services	foll.	F
	SF 202	Human Services	supp.	P
ł	HF 419	Displaced Homemakers (funded in SF 124)		P
	UP 1015	Pregnancy Disability	supp. foll.	P
≥	HF 1015 HF 6	Age Discrimination	supp.	P
Į.	HF 1176/SF 497	Affectional Preference	supp.	F
OPPORTUNITY	SF 1416	Omnibus Health, Welfare and Corrections Appropriation	foll.	P
Po	HF 1/SF 459	Grants to Counties for Health and	1011.	
0	nr 1/31 439	Social Service Programs	foll.	F
OF	HF 1051	Welfare Eligibility .	foll.	P
	SF 226	Minimum Wage	foll.	P
	HF 1835	Migrant Labor Commission	supp.	F
EQUALITY	HF 2027	Divorce Reform Act	supp.	P
00	HF -2194	Discrimination in Insurance	supp.	F
ш	HF 174	Inheritance Tax reform	supp.	F
	HF 588	Inheritance Tax Reform	supp.	F
7	SF 2235	State ERA	foll.	F
1	HF 2527	Council on Economic Status of		D
		Women funding	supp.	P
'AI	HF 13/SF 1	Nonreturnable Bottles	supp.	F
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AL MA	SF 1904	Litter Tax - Litter Recycling	oppose	F
RONMENT	HF 1732	Resolution - Air Pollution	supp.	P
ENVIRONMENTAL	HF 2261	Omnibus Energy Bill - 1978	foll.	P
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LWVUS PRINCI- PLES	HF 415	Open Records	foll.	P
LWVUS PRINC) PLES	HF 2466	Open Records	foll.	P
그런데	HF 1500	U.S. Senate Vacancies	oppose	P
	HF 738	Mandatory Minimum Sentencing	foll.	F
	SF 65	Determinate Sentencing	foll.	P
크리	HF 1949	Appointment of Judges	supp.	F
CH	HF 1277	Juvenile - Multiple Offenses	foll.	F
IM	HF 1137	Related to Juvenile Offenders	foll.	F
CRIMINAL	HF 517	" " " "	foll.	F
	HF 623	" " " " "	foll.	F P
	HF 1734	Referee, Judicial Officer extension	LOTI.	
	HF 85/SF 37	Open Appointments	supp.	P
AL	HF 1300	Park Bond Bill	supp.	P
CMAL	SF 1932	Review of Metro Government	supp.	F
	Many Bills	Elected Metro Council	oppose	F
# O]	SF 269 SF 875	Repeal Metro Tax Sharing Candidates to be Considered	oppose	
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	SF 1593	Housing Accounts		F
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OR	CF 210	Displaced Homemakers		P P
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	HF 2128/SF 2016	Emergency Support for Crime Victims		F
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TRADE

LWVUS POSITION: Action in support of systematic reduction of tariff and nontariff trade barriers... Implicit in the League's support of expanded trade is opposition to measures which impede trade: restrictive administrative procedures, quotas, Buy American provisions, and similar measures....

Buy America bills, HF 2233 (I. Anderson) and SF 2111 (Johnson), were introduced on February 13 and referred to the Governmental Operations committees in both houses. This bill directs the Commissioner of Administration to give preference to American-made products. The bill states that to the extent possible specifications shall be written so as to permit the state to purchase materials manufactured in the U.S.

This is a nontariff barrier similar to those we have been urging our trading partners to abolish (especially the Japanese) since beginning the Tokyo Round of the General Agreements on Tariffs and Trade which is about to be finalized.

The bills are in direct conflict with the League position against "Buy American" provisions. Therefore, I sent a letter to members of the House and Senate expressing our concerns and stating our opposition to this type of legislation. However, the bill (HF 2233) passed both houses and has since been signed by the Governor.

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POSITION: CMAL supports retention of an appointed Metropolitan Council. CMAL also supports an open appointments process including publicized vacancies; increased citizen, local governmental, and legislative influence on appointments; formal qualifications for office; and the establishment of a removal procedure for members of the Council.

CMAL has taken action on two bills which directly affect the Metropolitan Council: the elected Metro Council bill, which we opposed; and SF 1932/HF 2490, to review metropolitan government, which CMAL supported. Neither bill passed.

Two pieces of legislation directly affecting Metropolitan Council passed in this session. The first removed New Prague from metro area designation. The effect is to remove New Prague, which lies half in Scott County and half in LeSueuer County, from the jurisdiction of Met Council and the MTC and from the provisions of the fiscal disparities law. John Boland (Met Council Chairman) testified that the community is unique, the local people prefer being part of Region 9, and the removal is not detrimental to the metro systems. The bill was an effort to cure the administrative headache caused by the half-in, half-out situation.

The second, HR 85, supported by CMAL last session, provides for an open appointments process for agencies, boards, commissions, etc., of the state and the Metropolitan Council. Beginning in 1979 data about the agencies will be published annually by the Secretary of State, vacancies will be published in the state register, and application forms will be prepared and distributed by the Secretary of State.

Appointments cannot be made until ten days after receipt of applications. If no applications are filed or the appointing authority intends to appoint a person who has not applied under the above process, the authority may complete an application for the appointee. This new law will affect all vacancies occuring after July 1, 1978.

Harriette Burkhalter

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The 1978 session saw no action on specific Hennepin County Hennepin County

legislation. LWV lobbyists and observers maintained their
contacts with the Hennepin County Delegation and with the contacts with the Hennepin County Delegation and with the county commissioners. Barbara Dols

#### 1977 - 1978 LEGISLATIVE SCOREBOARD ON BILLS FOLLOWED IN LWVMN

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	Bill No.	Subject	Position	Results
ELECTION LAWS	HF 404	Campaign Financing	oppose	P
	HF 748/SF 350	Uniform Election Day	foll.	F
	SF 266	Mandatory Election Judge Training	supp.	P
	HF 1397/SF 1248	Pamphlet - Voter Education	foll.	F
	SF 1630	Election Safeguards	supp.	P
	SF 1953	Congressional Campaign Information	supp.	F
GOVERNMENT	HF 1475	Omnibus Tax Bill 1977	foll.	P
	HF 2250	Tax Bill - 1978	foll.	P
	SF 202	Department of Economic Security	supp.	P
	SF 483	Salary Bill	foll.	P
	SF 1467	State Departments Appropriation	foll.	P
	HF 49/SF 425	Reapportionment	foll.	F



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#### HOUSE

#### MINI-SESSION COMMITTEE SCHEDULE 1977

The House expects to hold Mini-sessions on September 14th and 15th, October 12th and 13th, November 16th and 17th, and December 14th and 15th, 1977 (Wednesdays and Thursdays), as follows:

September 14th, October 12th, November 16th, December 14th September 15th, October 13th, November 17th, December 15th

HOUR	COMMITTEE	ROOM	COMMITTEE	ROOM	
8:00 - 9:45 A.M.	Appropriations	57,22,51	Appropriations	57,22,51	
	Education	81	Gov. Op.	83	
	Gov. Op.	83	Taxes	81	
10:00 - 11:45 A.M.	Agriculture	57	Commerce & Economic		
	Criminal Justice	81	Development	81	
9	Local & Urban Affairs 83		Environment & Nat. Res. 83		
			Health & Welfare	57	
12:00 - 1:45 P.M.	Labor-Management		High and Florest in	01	
*	Relations	81	Higher Education	81	
	Transportation	83			
2:00 - 3:45 P.M.	Financial Institutions	S			
	& Insurance	81			
	General Legislation &				
	Veterans Affairs	57			

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#### LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

Sen. Hubert HUMPHREY III (DFL), New Hope, and Rep. Thomas BERG (DFL), Minneapolis, today announced along with Peter Grills, Administrator of the Shade Tree Program, Department of Agriculture, that 571 Minnesota COMMUNITIES will SHARE IN the distribution of \$12,531,194 for SHADE TREE DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAMS, \$10,525,000 for the removal of diseased trees and \$2,006,194 for reforestation. Of the 571 communities eligible for state funds, 435 are out-state municipalities and 136 are within the seven county metropolitan area. St. Paul will receive the largest grants, \$2,509,740.71 for removal and \$787,098.55 for reforestation. . . . Rep. Douglas CARLSON (I-R), Sandstone, Friday ASKED the GOVERNOR to REVIEW state POLICIES ON INSTITUTIONALIZING CRIMINALS AND THE MENTALLY DISTURBED after incidents in the past few weeks where PATIENTS in state institutions were RELEASED and subsequently COMMITTED VIOLENT ACTS against innocent citizens. . . Rep. Phyllis KAHN (DFL), Minneapolis, said the recent action of the ST. PAUL SCHOOL BOARD, following a decision in Ramsey County District Court, may make the St. Paul District the FIRST in the state TO COMPLY fully with the 1975 law requiring EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR BOYS AND GIRLS IN ATHLETIC PROGRAMS.

#### NEWS SHORTS

The Department of Transportation has announced that GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES for the first phase of I-94 construction in NORTH MINNEAPOLIS will be held AUGUST

## August 11th, 1977 (Thursday)

Taxes - EARC Process House Committee on Taxes - Subcommittee on Oversight - at 1:30 P.M., in Room 83, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: This will be an organizational meeting of the Subcommittee. The

agenda will include discussion of the Equalization Aid Review Committee (EARC) and its process. Representatives of the Department of Revenue are expected to testify.

## September 7th, 1977 (Wednesday)

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\* Senate Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws - Subcommittee on Tax Increment Financing at a time and Room to be determined, in the State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: We do not have an agenda for this meeting.

## August 22nd, 1977 (Monday)

Joint House-Senate Select Committee on the Cost of Health Care - at 9:00 A.M., in Room 15, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: We do not have an agenda for this meeting, however, we believe

the agenda will relate to health manpower.

Elections - U.S. Senate Vacancy Senate Committee on Flections - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol,

St. Paul, Minnesota, Subject: The Committee will continue to consider H.F. No. 1500, the U.S. Senate vacancy bill.

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\* Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources - Subcommittee on Fish & Wildlife - MEETING CHANGED TO AUGUST 22ND.

August 19th and 20th, 1977 (Friday and Saturday)

Corporate Income Tax - State Property Tax - S.F.No. 1507 \* Senate Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws - in Luverne and Willmar, Minnesota.

Subject: The Committee will meet as follows:

August 19th - 5:30 P.M. - Meeting Room, Federal Savings and Loan, Luverne - Hearing on Minnesota's Corporate tax structure and S.F.No. 1507, relating to state

property tax and local income tax. 20th - 1:00 P.M. - Kandi Entertainment Center, Willmar -

Hearing on S.F.No. 1507.

## August 24th, 1977 (Wednesday)

Minnesota Municipal Board

\* Senate Committee on Local Government - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol,

St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: The Subcommittee will hear testimony from representatives of the Township Officers' Association, the League of Minnesota Cities, and the Association of Minnesota Counties on S.F. No. 910, the Municipal Board bill.

Economic Development - Minnesota Business Climate

Senate Committee on Employment - Subcommittee on Economic Development - at 1:00 P.M., in Room 120, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The agenda will include staff reports on the business climate in Minnesota, companies headquartered in Minnesota, and non-goods producing companies in Minnesota.

## August 29th, 1977 (Monday)

\* Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources - Forest Committee - at 9:00 A.M., in Room 120C, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: We do not have an agenda for this meeting.

## September 8th, 1977 (Thursday)

\* Senate Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws - Subcommittee on Tax Increment Financing -K.A. at 1:30 P.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. MEETING CHANGED FROM SEPTEMBER 7'TH. Subject: We do not have an agenda for this meeting.

## September 13th, 1977 (Tuesday)

Economic Problems - Divorced Women \* Advisory Council on the Economic Status of Women - at a time and Room to be determined, at the State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Council will hear testimony on the economic problems of divorced women, including discussion of property settlements and child support.

## September 14th, 1977 (Wednesday)

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Teachers - Retraining and Reemployment \*. House Committee on Labor-Management Relations - at 12:00 NOON, in Room 81, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Committee will consider H.A.No. 30, relating to re-training and

re-employment for teachers

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Problems of Migrant Workers

Senate Committee on Employment - Subcommittee on Labor - House Committee on Agriculture - Subcommittee on Agricultural Programs & Policies - at 9:00 A.M., in

Room 123, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Subcommittees will hear testimony from migrant field and cannery workers in southern Minnesota on the problems of migrant farm workers.

## September 12th, 1977 (Monday)

Uniform Municipal Election Day

Senate Committee on Elections - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul,

Minnesota,

The agenda will include continued discussion of S.F. No. 350, the Subject: local government uniform election day bill.

Legislative Audit Commission - Advisory Subcommittee on the Evaluation of the Depart-1 . 00 D M in Doom 110 Chata Canital Ct Davil Minnagata

Women and Insurance - Economic Problems-Divorced Women Advisory Council on the Economic Status of Women - at 1:30 P.M., in Room 14, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Council will meet with Insurance Commissioner Berton Heaton to discuss women and insurance. At 3:00 P.M., the Council will hold a public hearing on the economic problems of divorced women.

Juvenile Delinquency - Serious Offenders House Committee on Criminal Justice - Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency and Corrections - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 81, State Office Building, St. Paul,

Minnesota. Subject: The Subcommittee will hear testimony on serious offending juveniles.

Public Records - Privacy

Louse Committee on Governmental Operations - Subcommittee on Government Administration at 8:00 A.M., in Room 83, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: The agenda will relate to pbulic records and privacy.

Carter's Welfare Reform Proposal - Review

\* House Committee on Appropriations - Health, Welfare and Corrections Division 
at 8:30 A.M., in Room 22, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Division will review President Carter's welfare reform proposal.

Innovative Supplemental Energy Systems - Study
House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources - Subcommittee on Environmental Protection - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 83, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Subcommittee will consider H.A. No. 31, which proposes a study of innovative supplemental energy systems.

Watercraft - License Fees - Safety

House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources - Subcommittee on Recreation and Open Space - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 14, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Subcommittee will consider a draft bill relating to watercraft license fees and watercraft safety.

Game & Fish Fund - Hunting Season - Geese Tagging

Committee Hearing Schedules - Page 6 September 1st, 1977

September 16th, 1977 (Friday) (Continued)

Science & Technology - Energy Workshop

Legislative Coordinating Commission - Subcommittee on Science and Technology - at

10:00 A.M., in Room 120, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The agenda will include a report on the Energy Workshop, discussion of studies being contracted by the Subcommittee and discussion of future seminars.

## September 30th, 1977 (Friday)

Implementation of the Omnibus Housing Law

Senate Committee on Energy and Housing - Subcommittee on Housing - at 1:30 P.M.,

at the Minneapolis Regional Native American Center, 1530 Franklin Ave. E.,

Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Subject: Representatives of the Housing Finance Agency will testify on the progress of the implementation of the 1977 Omnibus Housing law.

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October 11th, 1977 (Tuesday) (Continued)

Education - Building Requests - St. Cloud University - AVTI House Committee on Appropriations - Education Division - at 9:00 A.M., in St. Cloud,

Minnesota.

The Division will tour St. Cloud State University and St. Cloud AVTI for Subject: purposes of reviewing building requests.

Environmental Workshop - EPA

Environmental Legislative Workshop - at 1:00 P.M., at the Holiday Inn, St. Paul,

Minnesota.

Subject: This will be a legislative environmental workshop sponsored by Region 5 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Topics for discussion include the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and its impact on solid waste disposal; the regulation of pesticides by the U.S. EPA and the state Department of Agriculture; and a briefing on recent Congressional action (the federal Water Pollution Control Act and amendments to the Clean Air Act.)

## October 17th, 1977 (Monday)

Uniform Municipal Elections Grica Senate Committee on Elections - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul,

Minnesota.

The Committee will consider S.F. No. 350, the uniform municipal Subject: election day bill.

2:00 P.M. - Moose Lake State Hospital.

Equalization Aid Review Committee House Committee on Taxes - Subcommittee on Oversight - at 8:30 A.M., in Room 83, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Subcommittee will continue to consider the Equalization Aid Review Committee (EARC) process. Representatives of the Department of Revenue are expected to testify.

Legislative Audit Commission - at 10:00 A.M., in Room 15, State Capitol, St. Paul,

Minnesota.

Subject: We do not have an agenda for this meeting.

PELRA - Personnel Department Policies Senate Committee on Governmental Operations - Task Force on State Personnel Laws at 3:00 and 7:00 P.M., in the Conference Auditorium, Centennial Student Union,

Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota. Subject: In the afternoon, the Task Force will hear testimony on the Public Employees Labor Relations Act (PELRA) and in the evening on state Department of Personnel policies.

September 30th, 1977 (Friday)

Finance Agency. law and a report from the Legislative Audit Commission on the Housing Finance Agency on its implementation of the 1977 Omnibus Housing Subject: The agenda will include a presentation by the Minnesota Housing in Room 118, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Senate Committee on Energy and Housing - Subcommittee on Housing - at 3:30 P.M., Omnibus Housing Law Implementation - Audit Commission Report

## October 28th, 1977 (Friday)

Effective State Privacy Legislation Senate Committee on Judiciary - ad hoc Subcommittee on Privacy - at 9:00 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: Dr. G. Theodore Mitau, State University System, will present his views on effective state privacy legislation.

> state action. Privacy Protection Study Commission and its recommendations for Subject: The agenda will include a report from Senator Tennessen on the Senate Committee on Judiciary - Ad hoc Subcommittee on Privacy - at 9:00 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Privacy Protection Study Commission - Recommendations

October 21st, 1977 (Friday)

4:00 P.M.-Public hearing on Indian Housing, Cass Lake 12:10 P.M.-Tour of Blackduck apartments, Blackduck 21st- 9:00 A.M.-Tour of single family developments, Park Rapids 7:30 P.M.-Public hearing on housing programs, Moorhead

October 24th, 1977 (Monday)

Elections - Legislative and Congressional Senate Committee on Elections - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The Committee will consider H.F. No. 17, relating to legislative and congressional elections.

Status of Agricultural Land Use Senate Committee on Local Government - Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources - Senate Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws - Joint Subcommittee on Agricultural Land Preservation - at 1:00 P.M., in Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The agenda will include consideration of testimony from representatives of the State Planning Agency on the status of agricultural land use in the state.

## October 20th, 1977 (Thursday)

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Property Tax - Reliance & Policy - Organizational Meeting \* Tax Study Commission - Subcommittee on Property Tax - Reliance and Policy - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 120, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. Subject: This will be an organizational meeting of the Subcommittee.

Tax Study Commission - Subcommittee Reports Tax Study Commission - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 123, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. The Commission will review the progress of its Subcommittees.

Subject: The Subcommittee will hear testimony on non-governmental pros-

## November 21st, 1977 (Monday)

Solar Energy Equipment - Energy Conservation Information

\* Senate Committee on Energy and Housing - at 1:30 P.M., in Room 112, State Capitol,

St. Paul, Minnesota. TENTATIVE MEETING.

Subject: Professor Michael Hoffman, Science and Technology Project, will present information on solar equipment for residential heating and cooling. The agenda will also include a report from the Energy Agency on its energy conservation public information program.

\* House Committee on Taxes - Subcommittee on Land Use and Green Acres - at 12:00

NOON, in Room 22, State Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The agenda will include testimony from county assessors.

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### November 1st, 1977 (Tuesday)

Zero - Based Budgeting

Senate Committee on Governmental Operations - Task Force on Legislative Oversight at 9:30 A.M., in Room 118, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: Mr. Graham Taylor, Senior Vice-President, Management Analysis Center,
Washington, D.C., will testify on zero-based budgeting.

## December 3rd, 1977 (Saturday)

Laetrile Prescription - H.F. 1 - County Social Services

Senate Committee on Health, Welfare and Corrections - Subcommittee on Health,
Welfare and Corrections - at 9:30 A.M., in Room 15, State Capitol, St. Paul,
Minnesota.

Subject: The Subcommittee will consider S.F. No. 1010, allowing physicians to prescribe laetrile. At 1:30 P.M., the Subcommittee will meet jointly with the Senate Committee on Finance's Subcommittee on Health, Welfare and Corrections to hear testimony from representatives of state agencies on H.F. No. 1, relating to county social services.

Senate Committee on Education - House Committee on Higher Education - House Committee on Education - Joint Subcommittee on Libraries - at times and places as listed below, on the 9th in Waseca and on the 10th in Mankato, Minnesota.

Subject: On November 9th, at 4:00 P.M., the Subcommittee will tour and hear a briefing on library resources in the area at the Waseca Regional Library, U of M Technical School, Waseca. Following dinner at 5:00 P.M., an informal meeting on libraries will be held in Room 145 (adjacent to the dining hall). On November 10th, the Subcommittee will tour, at 8:30 A.M., the Mankato State University Memorial Library; at 9:30 A.M., the Bethany Lutheran Library; and at 1:00 P.M., will hear testimony from representatives of various libraries in the area at the Minnesota Valley Library.

## November 11th, 1977 (Friday)

\* Senate Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources - Senate Committee on Health,

Welfare and Corrections - Joint Subcommittee on Nutrition - at 1:00 P.M., in

Room 112, State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Subject: The agenda will include consideration of testimony on nutrition education and state licensed professionals.

To: Program Chairs

From: H.H.

Re: Bills Introduced Through January 11

Date: January 16, 1979

We finally received the basic Phillips Service on 1/15. However, Mr. P. was infuriated because we were letting others use the service and because we were xeroxing portions thereof. I think a follow-up letter to Mr. P. will gain us permission to xerox, but until that is granted, I think it prudent to comply with his request. So, herewith, bill numbers and titles you may want to be watching - all Senate; no H.F.'s through 1-11:

Anderson: S.F. 4 - Gasohol Tax Credit

- S.F. 6 Sales Tax Exemption Farm Machinery
- S.F. 8 Income Tax
  - 11 Income Tax Credit Armed Forces Service Outside Minnesota
  - 12 Legislature Representatives 4 Year Terms Service Limits
  - 22 Property Tax Delayed Assessment Homestead Improvements
  - 31 Constitution Initiative-Referendum
  - 32 Inheritance Tax Family Farm and Business Valuations
  - 33 Corporate Income Tax Rate Three Factor Formula
  - 34 Corporate Income Tax Three-Factor Formula 70% Sales
  - 35 Corporate Income Tax 6% on First \$20,000
  - 36 Repeals Inheritance and Gift Taxes
  - 39 Unclaimed Income Tax Refunds Publication of Person Entitled
  - 42 Sales Tax 2% on Farm Machinery
  - 43 Inheritance Tax Family Farm and Business Valuations
  - 45 Income Taxes Excludes Certain Military Pay
  - 49 Income Tax Deduction Individual Housing Accounts
  - 64 Verbatim Legislative Records Not for Legislative Intent
  - 66 Statutory Interpretation Change Based on CPI
  - 68 Statutory Definitions Shall, Must and Should
  - 69 Office of Governor Succession
  - 79 Income Tax Exclude Part of Military Pay
  - 86 Inheritance Tax Jointly Owned Property
  - 93 Income Tax Property Transfers to Release Marital Rights
  - 94 Income Tax Credit Reduced Social Security From Excess Wages
  - 95 Gross Income Exclusion \$100 in Interest
  - 99 Income Tax Exclusion of Gain on Sale of Home
  - 100 Constitution Initiative and Referendum
  - 101 Inheritance Tax Deduction Allowance to Spouse
  - 102 Constitution Senate 50 House 100 Apportionment Commission
  - 103 Income Tax Deduction Tenants May Deduct Taxes on Their Units
  - 104 Inheritance Tax Exemption IRAs and Kehoe Plans
  - 111 Income Tax Inflation Adjusted Gross Income
  - 112 Income Tax Deduction Post-Secondary Education Expenses
  - 115 Income Tax Standard Deduction \$1,000 to \$1,500
  - 116 Inheritance Tax Waivers and Certificates
  - 121 Removes 120 Day Limit on Legislative Sessions
  - 123 State Agencies Use of Precedents Judicial Review of Decisions
  - 124 Income Tax Deduction Carry-Forward of Excess Contributions
  - 128 Income Taxes Homemaker Credit
  - 129 Constitution Reapportionment Commission

#### Armstrong:

- 17 Abolishes Higher Education Coordinating Board
- 38 Foundation Aid Adult AVTI Students
- 70 Inadequate State Spending Discharge of Prisoners Schools
- 89 AVTIs Tuition Subsidies Persons Over 21
- 91 Pairing of School Districts Nos. 209 and 265

97 - Seminars on School Breakfast Programs Armstrong 108 - School Districts' Experimental Pairing Agreements to 1987 (Con't) 112 - Income Tax Deduction - Post-Secondary Education Expenses 127 - Public Schools - Report on Academic Competency 2 - U.S. Constitution - District of Columbia as a State Buffington 3 - Committee on Judiciary 7 - Committee on Judiciary 60 - Elections - Use of Campaign Funds 61 - Elections - Automatic Recounts - 10% of Total Votes 62 - Election Contests - Names of Publishers on Literature 72 - Election Ballots - No Signature of Preparer 73 - Political Campaigns - Infiltration - Sabatoge 74 - Election Contest Procedures - Absent Voter Challenges 76 - U.S. Constitution - District of Columbia as a State 81 - Adoption - Inheritance Through Natural Parents 93 - Income Tax - Property Transfers to Release Marital Rights Kahlenberg 128 - Income Taxes - Homemaker Credit 107 - State Contract Preference - Goods From U.S., Canada and Mexico Llona 63 - Supplementary Proceedings Orders Phelan 70 - Inadequate State Spending - Discharge of Prisoners - Schools 71 - Minnesota Law Revision Council - \$50,000 82 - Arrest Without Warrant - Violation of Restraining Order 118 - Receiving Stolen Property 119 - Crime - Purchase of Goods Stolen by Minors 1 - Beer and Soft Drink Containers - 10¢ Refunds Poppleton 4 - Gasohol Tax Credit 24 - Community Energy Conservation Councils 47 - Wild & Scenic Rivers - Designation by Legislature Only 48 - Utilities - Winter - No Discontinuation of Service 50 - BWCA - Citizen's Committee 98 - 1¢ Gasoline Tax - Alternative Energy Projects 86 - Inheritance Tax - Jointly Owned Property Scribner 101 - Inheritance Tax - Deduction - Allowance to Spouse 116 - Inheritance Tax Waivers and Certificates 9 - Limits Application of State Building Code Tews 19 - State Building Code in Counties Over 40,000 27 - Reverse Mortgage Loans 29 - Repeals State Building Code - 44 - State Building Code - Under 40,000 Not Applicable 49 - Income Tax Deduction - Individual Housing Accounts 77 - State Building Code - Voluntary Adoption 125 - State Building Code - Limited Application 25 - Elected Metropolitan Council Burkhalter

Everybody (or maybe nobody) might want to watch 54 - Non-Profit Corporations - Purposes - Officers - Directors

Program Chairs To: From: H.H. 2nd List of Phillips Re: Date: January 18, 1979 HOUSE 2 - Committee on Appropriations - Companion to S.F. No. 23 Phelan 45 - Judge's Retirement - Certain Judge - Buy Credit SENATE 130 - Criminal Procedure - Conforms Statutes to Rules 132 - Punitive Damages Awarded and Fixed by Courts 135 - Uniform Class Actions Act 141 - Crimes - Uniformity of Misdemeanor Penalties 142 - Various Statutory Offenses - Petty Misdemeanors 143 - Crimes - Repeals Some Misdemeanor Penalties 175 - Hennepin County Municipal Judges - Uniform Municipal Elections Buffington 3 - Committee on Judiciary - Companion to S.F. No. 7 and Identical to S.F. Nos. 2, 3, 7 and 161 11 - Committee on Judiciary - Companion to S.F. No. 2 and Identical to S.F. Nos. 3, 7, and 161 and H.F. No. 3 17 - U.S. Constitution - District of Columbia as a State 33 - U.S. Constitution - District of Columbia as a State SENATE 161 - Committee on Judiciary - Identical to S.F. Nos. 2, 3 and 7. 175 - Hennepin County Municipal Judges - Uniform Municipal Elections HOUSE Kahlenberg 4 - Family Planning - Notify Parents of Unemancipated Minors 28 - Study Commission on Migrant Labor 35 - Employment of Migrant Workers (HOUSE ADVISORY Investments - Financial Institutions 153 - Conveyances - Joint Tenancy Between Spouses Rights) HOUSE Tews 7 - State Building Code Application 12 - Companion to S.F. No. 125 - Committee on Energy and Utilities 29 - Full Employment and Economic Equity Plan SENATE 140 - Uniform Condominium Act 149 - Students - Prohibits Discrimination in Housing 150 - State Building Code - Ungraded Lumber Use 159 - Conventional Mortage Interest - Removes Expiration Date HOUSE 8 - Grain Alcohol Gasoline - Gas Tax Refund - Agricultural Board Anderson 19 - Income Tax Exclusion - Sale of Residence Gain 23 - Constitution - Senate 33 Members - House 99 Members 32 - Property Tax - Class 3cc - Residences With Blind or Disabled 36 - Local Governments May Impose Hotel, Motel Services Tax

39 - Hospital Board Members - Compensation - Expenses 40 - Property Tax - 3b Class - Non Contiguous Farm Land

66 - Apportionment Commission for Legislature

43 - Memorial to Congress - U.S. Constitution - Balanced Budget

63 - Constitution - Legislature - 56 Senators and 112 Representatives

58 - Inheritance Tax - Decreased Rates for Adult Children

More

SENATE Anderson 137 - Income Tax - Repeals Trust Accumulation Distribution Throwback (Con't) 151 - Income Tax - Corporation Investment Credits 156 - Inheritance Tax - Percentage of Federal Estate Tax 158 - Income Tax - Income Exclusion - Energy Conservation Credits 166 - Income Tax Deducation - Taxes on Rented Residence Poppleton HOUSE 8 - Grain Alcohol Gasoline - Gas Tax Refund - Agricultural Board 44 - State Land Subject to Local Zoning 55 - Abandoned Railroad Right-of-Way - Limits State Purchase 61 - Power Plant Siting and Transmission Line Rules 158 - Income Tax - Income Exclusion - Energy Conservation Credits 180 - Wild and Scenic Rivers Designation - County Board Approval Armstrong 9 - Committee on Education - Companion to S.F. No. 91 34 - Committee on Education - Companion to S.F. No. 17 68 - Schools - Education by Agreement With Other School Districts SENATE 163 - School Districts - Discontinue Grades-Contracts Other Districts 164 - Advanced Teacher Training and Experience Aid - \$10,217,500 168 - HECB - Higher and Vocational Education Comprehensive Plans 169 - AVTI Teachers - Earl Retirement and Extended Leaves HOUSE ADVISORY 1 - Investments - Financial Institutions Violating Human Rights Waldo SENATE 175 - Hennepin County Municipal Judges - Uniform Municipal Elections Scribner 131 - Uniform Disposition of Community Rights at Death Act 153 - Conveyances - Joint Tenancy Between Spouses

Memo to : Program Chairs

From: HH

Re: Bills Introduced

Jan. 19, 1979

Still haven't gotten okay from Phillips to xerox bills - so another list. And since Betty Ann ain't in today, it's my typing so pardon the errors.

Anderson: S.F.189 Income Tax Rates - adjustments for Cost of Living Increases

194 Companion to H.F. 36

197 Inheritance & Gift Tax - Spouse Exempt - Exemptions

201 No Increased Valuation - Improvements to Homestead

205 Income Tax Credits-Energy Conservation-Renewable Energy

H.F. 76 State Agencies-Legislative Review of Federal Grant Requests

93 Companion To S.F. 111

97 Constitution - Limits State and Local Taxes

Armstrong: S.F.195 Legislative School Finance Study Commission

H.F. 71 Companion to S.F. 164

72 Companion to S.F. 38

Buffington: H.F. 74 Companion to S.F. 76

Kahlenberg: H.F. 75 Abortion-Save Life of Conceptus-Crimes-Wards

H.F. 96 Comprehensive Child Protective Services Act

Phelan: S.F.186 Crimes-Sale of Accused's Reenactments

H.F. 99 Arrests Without Warrant-Domestic Violence-No Liability

102 Parental Liability for Damage By Their Children

105 Crimes Related to Prostitution

Poppleton: S.F.191 Agricultural Land EARC Value Computation

196 Companion to H.F. 61

199 St. Croix State Forest - Additional Lands

204 Kittson County - Conveyance of Certain State Land

205 Income Tax Credits-Energy Conservation-Renewable Energy

206 Gasoline Tax - Percentage of Retail Price

H.F. 95 Pipelines - Minimum Depth - Easements

Scribner: S.F.197 Inheritance & Gift Tax-Spouse Exempt-Exemptions

Tews: S.F.185 Legislatice Committee on Human & Ecomonic Development

H.F. 92 Companion to S.F. 128

94 Companion to S.F. 77

You all might want to look over each others 'cause sometimes a bill falls into more than one portfolio and I might have overlooked that. Anderson might be interested in S.F. 206 but I didn't include that in her listing.

Boy, I pray Bud Phillips okays our copying some bills soon!

To: Program Chairs
Date: January 24, 1979

Re: MORE Phillips' Information, from January 22, 23, 1979

ARMSTRONG

Senate

#210 - Teachers Extended Leave and Early Retirement - Higher Education

#220 - School Contracts for Education by Another School District

#230 - Schools - Discontinuance of Instruction Agreements - Teachers

House

None

Senate

#240 - State Scholarships and Grants - Student Eligibility

House

#145 - School Employees - Periodic Tuberculosin Examinations #146 - Teachers Retirement - Benefits for Pre-1973 Retirees #147 - Council on Quality Education - Non-Public Schools

#154 - Teachers Retirement - Military Service - Buy-Back

BUFFINGTON

Senate

#212 - Committee on Elections - Primary Elections - Voter Registration - Party Preference

WALDO

Senate

#212 - Primary Elections - Voter Registration - Party Preference

BERKWITZ

Senate

#214 - Protection From Domestic Abuse

House

#149 - Emergency Shelter - Support Services - Battered Women - Appropriation

ANDERSON

Senate

215 - Committee on Taxes & Tax Laws - Companion to H.F. No. 97

216 - 3cc Assessment - Private Pensions for Total Disability .

219 - Abolishes Achievement Awards - Limits Salaries

222 - Constitution - Senate - Staggered Four-Year Terms

223 - Income Tax - Income Includes Some Unemployment Benefits

236 - State Audit of Local Governments - Petitions

House

#108 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 43

#112 - Constitution - Initiative and Referendum

#124 - Income Tax - Partial Military Pay Exclusion

#133 - Sales Tax - No Tax on Residential Water and Sewer

#135 - Sales Tax Exemption - Electricity, Gas, Water, Sewer - Residential Use

Senate

#238 - Income Tax - Out-of-State Loss Deductions

House

#140 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 93

#141 - Inheritance and Gift Taxes - Reduced Penalties

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Anderson (con't) #143 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 101

#151 - Income Tax Credit - Blind Dependents

#153 - Income Tax - Excludes Part of Military Pay

KAHLENBERG Senate

#221 - Committee on Employment - Companion to H.F. No. 28

House

#149 - Emergency Shelter - Support Services - Battered Women -

Appropriation

PHELAN Senate

#234 - Local Secure Facilities - Grands-in-Aid to Counties

House

#109 - Companion to S.F. No. 234

#122 - Juvenile Courts - Orders to Adults to Not Associate

With Child

#123 - Crime of Prostitution

TEWS House

House Advisory 2 - Study Unemployment Patterns

#110 - State Building Code - Ungraded Lumber Use

#114 - State Building Code - County Option

#134 - Committee on Governmental Operations - Companion to

S.F. No. 44

Senate

#237 - Committee on Energy and Housing - Companion to H.F. #114

#239 - State Building Code - Metro Area and County Election -

Lumber

SCRIBNER House

#108 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 43

#140 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 93

#141 - Inheritance and Gift Taxes - Reduced Penalties

#143 - Committee on Taxes - Companion to S.F. No. 101

POPPLETON House

#144 - Environmental Impact Statement for RR Right-of-Way Trails

#### PHILLIPS - 3-8-79

## Armstrong Senate #820 - Schools - Sparsity Aid #674 - Foundation Aid Formula - \$1,183 and \$1,278, less ? Mills #736 - Schools - Foundation Aid for Summer School #752 - Educational Placement of Handicapped Children - Aids Senate Buffington #748 - Committee on Elections - Companion to H.F. No. 598 #756 - Income Tax Credit - Contributions For Local Elective Offices #704 - Committee on General Legislation and Veterans Affairs - Companion 50 S.F. No. 493 #738 - Minnesota Government Data Practices Act #719 - Presidential Primary Election #670 - Committee on General Legislation and Veterans Affairs - Companion 50 S.F. 722 #721 - Elections - Proof of Residence at Polling Place #722 - Voter Registration Cards - Date of Birth - Initialing by Judge #723 - Elections in Cities of First Class - Non-Partisan Anderson Senate #760 - Property Tax Industrial Development Bonds - Lower Income Housing #734 - Income Tax - Exclusion of Earnings Before Becoming a R esident #735 - School Aids - Minimum Aid - \$300 Per Pupil Unit #736 - Electric Transmission Line Tax Distribution - Tax Credit #743 - Income and Sales Tax - Pollution Control Equipment #760 - Property Tax - Industrial Development Bonds - Lower Income Housing #690 - Committee on General Legislation and Veterans Affairs - Companion to S.F. No. 339 #730 - Income Tax - Exempts Federal Renewable Energy Credit #755 - Assess Homesteads at Market Value - Limits Homestead Tax to 1% of Value Tews Senate #760 - Property Tax - Industrial Development Bonds - Lower Income Housing #804 - State Building Code - Limited Application #815 - County and Municipal Zoning - Earth Sheltered Buildings #724 - Housing Finance Agency - Bonds - Appropriations #726 - Dept. of Economic Security - Energy Assistance Program Kahlenberg #759 - Indian Affairs Intertribal Board - At Large Members - 4 Year Term #765 - State Civil Service - Affirmative Action for Veterans #781 - State Advisory Committee on Indian Employment House #709 - Committee on Governmental Operations - Companion to S.F. No. 765 Poppleton #791 - Designation of Wild and Scenic Rivers #808 - Classification of Public Waters - Wetlands House #668 - Income Tax Credit - Renewable Energy Source Expenditures #685 - Income Tax Credit - Energy Conservation Expenditures #698 - Energy Audits and Reports on Public Buildings #730 - Income Tax - Exempts Federal Renewable Energy Credit Phelan #695 - Delinquent Children - Detention

#712 - Committee on Environment and Natural Resources - Comp. S.F. 707

## Introduction of Bills - 3/9/78

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- R.A. S.F 924 Cooperative Programs Public Libraries School Media Centers S.F.938 - Schools - Primary Grade Instruction Improvement - \$70,125,800 S.F.939 - Schools - Foundation Aid Formulae
- J.T. S.F.965 Welfare Social Services Aid Distributions County Tax Levies H.F.880 - Companion of S.F. 815
  - H.F.888 No Discrimination in Housing Against Families and Students H.F.918 - State Building Code - Applicable Only Where Codes in Effect
- K.A. H.F.874 Administrative Procedures Act
   H.F.883 EARC Value of Farm Land Capitalized Rent
   H.F.884 Homestead Exemption Within City One Acre
   H.F.885 Class 3d Property Assessed at 33 1/3%
   H.F.897 Income Tax Primarily Corrective
- E.B. H.F.901 Ethics in Government Deletes Obsolete Language H.F.903 - Ethical Practices Board - Simplify Forms
- M.P. H.F.906 Taxes Pollution Control Equipment Credits and Exemptions

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Erica Buffington -
                       HF 762 - Campaign expenditures
                       SF 828 - Election judges
Karen Anderson -
                       HF 767 - Inheritance tax exemption - spouse and children -
                                public pensions
                       HF 799 - Sales tax - costs of collection - 5% of $250
                       SF 827 - Income tax - individuals and corporations
                       SF 853 - Minnesota Estate Tax
Mary Poppleton -
                       HF 765 - Power lines
                       HF 770 - Study impact of renewable energy systems on
                                utilities
                       SF 840 - Companion to HF 730 - energy - tax credits
                       SF 850 - Companion to HF 532 - energy
                       SF 861 - Retailers - limits operation of electricla devices
                                on display
                       SF 865 - Companion to HF 552 - energy tax credits
                    ≤ ₹869 - Companion to HF 685 - energy tax credits
                       HF 784 - Companion to SF 820
Ruth Armstrong -
                       HF 803 - Companion to SF 625
                       SF 829 - Companion to HF 678 - theory of evolution
                       SF 830 - Companion to HF 419 - AVTIS
Jean Tews -
                       HF 779 - Welfare - adoption - co. welfare boards
                       HF 786 - Assaults on children under seven - penalties
                       HF 787 - Companion to SF 685 - energy assistance
                       HF 807 - Real property valuation - disregard $5,000 in
                                homestead improvements
                       SF 844 - Grants to counties - semi-independent living
                                services for retarded
                       SF 860 - Gas stations - sell gas to handicapped with self-
                                service price
                       SF 867 - Housing and redevelopment - leased existing housing
                                assistance
                       SF 872 - Cost of care of retarded and epileptic children
Betty Phelan -
                       HF 792 - Claims - correctional inmates on conditional release
                       HF 797 - Juveniles - minor traffic offenses - prosecute in
                                adult court
                       SF 863 - Authorizes judges in judicial district to have single
                       sf 873 - Criminal justice records availability
Jeannette Kahlemberg - HF 791 - Marriage dissolution - companion to SF 653
Jeannette and Ruth A .- HF 798 - Martin Luther King grant program - minority students
                                $8,100,000
Pat Llona -
                       SF 833 - $30,000 - Minnesota International Center
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Pat Llona -

HF 856 - Companion to SF 833

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HF 814 - Companion to SF 476 (excludes retirement income)
Karen Anderson -
                       HF 818 - Income Tax Returns - show school district
                       HF 821 - Companion to SF 758 (out-of-state property)
                       HF 837 - Constitution - appointment of judges - judicial
                                commissions
                       HF 846 - Companion to SF 113 (corporate returns)
                       HF 857 - Corporate Income Tax - 6% on first $50,000
                       SF 977 - Income Tax - all pension income excluded from tax
                       SF 890 - Inheritance and Gift Taxes - transfers to spouse exempt
                       SF 896 - Companion to HF 654 (state pays county audits)
                       SF 899 - Income Tax Credit - paraplegics and quadraplegics
Jean Tews -
                  HF 827 - Companion to SF 872
                  HF 843 - Companion to SF 867
                  HF 858 - Companion to SF 49
                  HF 867 - Unemployment Compensation - contributions - benefits
                  SF 877 - Income Tax - all pension income excluded from tax
                  SF 881 - Companion to HF 526
                  SF 883 - Income tax rent credit info from landlords
                  SF 892 - Companion to HF 35 (migrant labor)
                  SF 893 - County welfare bonds - organization - budget time
                  SF 899 - Income tax credit - paraplegics and quadraplegics
                  SF 915 - Works compensation - reduction for pre-existing conditions
                  SF 917 - Workers compensation law revisions
                     HF 828 - Ethics in government - covers county, municipal and
Betty Phelan -
                              probate judges
                     HF 829 - Companion to SF 387 (juveniles)
                     HF 837 - Constitution - appointment of judges - judicial commissions
                     HF 838 - Companion to SF 475
                     HF 841 - Companion to SF 863 (unified court)
                     HF 844 - County crime victim support funds
                     HF 866 - Licensing of part-time peace officers
Ruth Armstrong -
                       HF 836 - Companion to SF 127 (competency)
                       HF 853 - Companion to SF 549 (consolidation)
                       HF 854 - Schools - state pay employers share to PERA
                       HF 855 - Schools - programs for high school dropouts
                       SF 879 - Companion to HF 488
                       SF 891 - Schools - cooperative program teacher travel aid
Erica Buffington -
                      HF 840 - Campaign-contributors' employers name not needed
Mary Poppleton -
                      HF 860 - Companion to SF 768 (wildlife lands)
                       HF 868 - Companion to SF 566 (lake restoration)
                       SF 887 - Conservation organization - petitions to save wildlife
                                and fish
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- K.A.-S.F. 977 / H.F. 973 Tax Increment Financing Act
  - S.F. 981 Income Tax Standard Deduction 15% or \$1,500
  - S.F. 990 Constitution Increases in Taxes 3/5ths Vote of Legislature
  - S.F. 1018 Constitution Initiative and Referendum Law Governing
- E.B.-S.F. 982 Check-Off for Campaign Fund Not on Property Tax Refund Forms
  - S.F. 1003 / H.F. 968 Election Law Revision and Recodification
  - S.F. 1013 Elections Anticipation of Vouching Prohibited
  - H.F. 957 Elections Absentee Ballot Applications 180 days before election
- M.P.-S.F. 987 Property Tax Reduction Earth-Sheltered Homesteads
  - S.F. 1007 Allows Plastic Containers for Milk
  - S.F. 1009 Companion to H.F. 906
  - H.F. 990 Energy Emergancies Building Audits Air Conditioners Power Plants
- R.A.-H.F. 936 Advisory Task Force on American Indian &Culture Education Programs
  - H.F. 953 Schools Foundation Aid Formula
  - H.F. 997 Education Mobile Units Public & Non Public Pupils
- J.T.-H.F. 979 Energy Assistance Program \$35,000,000

- K.A. S.F. 1022 Companion to H.F. 633 S.F. 1057 - Companion to H.F. 645
- M.P. S.F. 1022 Companion to H.F. 633 H.F. 1039 - Beverage Containers - Refund Value - September 1, 1980
- J.T. S.F. 1026 General Assistance Eligibility Disregard Payments for Tribal Land S.F. 1051 - AFDC - Excludes Educational Grants and Loans from Income
- J.K. H.F. 1011 Apprenticeships Equal Opportunity One Year Programs
  - H.F. 1012 Discrimination in Renting to Persons with Children H.F. 1040 Companion to S.F. 759
- R.A. S.F. 1027 Companion to H.F. 997
  - S.F. 1059/H.F. 1017 Schools Sparsity Aid Under 1000 Pupil Units
  - H.F. 1010 Companion to S.F. 924
  - H.F. 1013 School Finance Study Commission
  - H.F. 1034 Demotion or Discharge of Teachers Hearing Prodecures
- E.B. H.F. 1014 Termination of Political Committees Transfer of Funds

## BILLS INTRODUCED - 3/27/79 (House only in session)

- B.P. H.F. 1049 Companion of S.F. 671.
- M.P. H.F. 1054 Environmental Impact Statement Petitions Qualifications of Petitioners H.F. 1056 - Income Tax - Energy and Heating Fuel Credit
- K.A. H.F. 1051 Property Tax Homestead Tax Reduction 50% Limited to \$400. H.F. 1056 - Income Tax - Energy and Heating Fuel Credit
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- R.A. H.F. 1072 Educational Cooperative Service Units \$880,000
  - H.F. 1073 Companion to S.F. 611
  - H.F. 1075 Companion to S.F. 939

#### BILLS INTRODUCED - 3/29/79

- J.K. S.F. 1063 Leagal Assistance Minnesota Sioux Indian Committee
- J.T. H.F. 1087 Property Tax Aid for Reduced Assessment Property Levy Limits
  - H.F. 1117 Income Tax Dependent Car Credity Equal to Rederal
  - H.F. 1121 Companion to S.F. 883
  - H.F. 1131 Companion to S.F. 654
- K.A. S.F. 1064 Income Tax Sandard Deduction \$1,500
  - S.F. 1070 Legislature 33 Senators and 66 Representatives
  - H.F. 1079 Companion to S.F. 990
  - H.F. 1087 Property Tax Aid for Reduced Assessment Property Levy Limits
  - H.F. 1099 Constitution Limitation on Expenditures
  - H.F. 1104 Companion to S.F. 735
- E.B. H.F. 1127 Cities of First Class and Their School Districts Election Day
- R.A. S.F. 1071 Schools Aid for Secondary Vocational Programs
  - S..F 1084/H.F. 1106 Placement Services for Public School Employees \$203,965
  - S.F. 1100 Early Childhood and Family Education Programs Grants

R.A. - H.F. 1106 - Companion to S.F. 1084

H.F. 1109 - Companion to S.F. 612

H.F. 1116 - Schoos - Tax Levy Limits - Aid Recapture

M.P. - S.F. 1104 - Alternative Energy - State Buildings - Housing Finance Aid

H.F. 1080 - Companion to S.F. 1007

H.F. 1111 - Water Pollution Control Grants - \$157,600,000 - Bonds - \$146,600,000

### BILLS INTRODUCED - April 9 and 11

- M.P. S.F. 1236 Companion to H.F. 990
  - S.F. 1240 Acquisition of Land for Natural Resources Owner's Rights
  - S.F. 1243 H.F. 1326 Flood Plain Management Rules Limitations
  - S.F. 1285 \$12,800,000 in Bonds Natural Resources Developments
  - H.F. 1288 Companion to S.F. 887
  - H.F. 1317 Repeals Residential Energy Disclosure Program
  - H.F. 1331 Commission on Nuclear Power Duties \$100,000
- B.P. S.F. 1241 Juvenile Courts Endangered Children
  - S.F. 1263 State Board of Public Defense
  - H.F. 1296 Education in Correctional Institutions by Department of Education
- J.K. S.F. 1258 H.F. 1303 Minnesota Estate Tax
  - H.F. Companion to S.F. 712
- J.T. H.F. 1300 County Boards May be Human Services Boards
  - H.F. 1310 Emergency General Assistance 30 Days in 12 Months
  - H.F. 1325 Companion to S.F. 1026
- K.A. S.F. 1258 H.F. 1303 Minnesota Estate Tax
  - S.F. 1259 Property Tax Seasonal Residential Property 16% of Value
  - S.F. 1287 Salaries Executive and Judicial Branch Employees
  - S.F. 1291 Tax Levy Limits Local Government Aids
  - H.F. Local Government Aid Increase Distribution Formula
- R.A. H.F. 1267 Distribution of Regional Library System Support Grants

- K.A. S.F. 1482 Companion to H.F. 1449
  - S.F. 1492 Constitution 2/3 Vote to Increase Taxes
  - S.F. 1510 State Departments Appropriations \$767,703,974.
  - H.F. 1493 Income Tax Individual Tax Bracket Indexing
  - H.F. 1501 Companion to S.F. 1064
  - H.F. 1510 Income Tax Simplification
  - H.F. 1530 Salaries Constitutional Officers Department Heads Judges
  - H.F. 1545/S.F. 1527 Constitution Limits State Spending According to personal Incomes
  - H.F. 1553 State Departments Appropriations \$782,507,000
- E.B. S.F. 1493 Companion to H.F. 506
  - H.F. 1482 Companion to S.F. 1472
  - H.F. 1505 Companion to S.F. 1013
- J.T. S.F. 1511 Health, Welfare and Corrections Appropriations \$1,271,535,900
  - H.F. 1518 " \$1,283,223,200
  - H.F. 1528 Aids Welfare and Local Govt.
- J.K. H.F. 1515 Abortions State Payment of Expenses if No Abortion
- B.P. S.F. 1511 Healthe Welfare and Corrections Appropriations \$1,271,535,900 H.F. 1518 - "\$1,283,223,200
- R.A. S.F. 1535 Companion to H.R. 1267
  - H.F. 1480 Companion to S.F. 1374
  - H.F. 1512 Schools Increased Aids State Pay of PERA for School Employees
  - H.F. 1568 Demonstration Educational Grant Act of 1979
- M.P. S.F. 1530 Companion to H.F. 770
  - S.F. 1537 Companion to H.F. 668
  - H.A.B. 31 Study Job Impact of Container Legislation
  - H.F. 1538 Resolution Processing and Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel

#### BILLS INTRODUCED - MAY 1, 17, 1979

- M.P. S.F. 1551 Property Tax Valuations Agricultural Land 10% of Rental Rate H.F. 1551
  - S.F. 1575 Legislative Study Commission on Water Management
  - H.F. 1589 Sale of Milk in Plastic Bottles
  - H.F. 1597 S.F. 1580 Beer and Beverage Containers 10¢ Refunds on Bottles and Cans
  - H.A.B. 39 Study Creation of a State Nuclear Plant Operations Agency
- K.A. S.F. 1559 Constitution Initiative Referendum
  - S.F. 1567 Senate Omnibu Tax Bill
  - S.F. 1578 Constitution Unicameral Legislature
  - H.F. 1555 Homestead Taxes Assessment Tax Credits
  - H.F. 1583 Constitution Legislature 56 Senators and 112 Representatives
  - H.F. 1599- S.F. 1577 Income Tax Reduces Individual Tax Rates
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