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## JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

FIFTY-FIRST CALENDAR DAY THIRTIETH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, March 4, 2003

The Senate met in regular session at 8:33 a.m., President Kramer presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Randy Widbin, pastor of the Christ Community Church in Sioux Center, Iowa. He was the guest of Senator Veenstra.

The Journal of Monday, March 3, 2003, was approved.

## CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION (Regular Calendar)

Senator Veenstra asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration <u>Senate Resolution 19</u>.

#### **Senate Resolution 19**

On motion of Senator McKibben, <u>Senate Resolution 19</u>, a resolution honoring the City of Marshalltown on its sesquicentennial year, with report of committee recommending passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator McKibben welcomed to the Senate chamber over 50 Marshalltown Chamber of Commerce members and residents.

The Senate rose and expressed its welcome.

Senator McKibben moved the adoption of <u>Senate Resolution 19</u>, which motion prevailed by a voice vote.

## RECESS

On motion of Senator Veenstra, the Senate recessed at 8:45 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.

## RECONVENED

The Senate reconvened at 11:45 a.m., President Pro Tempore Angelo presiding.

## HOUSE MESSAGES RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

The following messages were received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MADAM PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on March 4, 2003, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

**House File 234**, a bill for an act transferring the powers and duties of the Missouri river preservation and land use authority to the loess hills development and conservation authority and providing effective dates.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Natural Resources** and **Environment**.

**House File 249**, a bill for an act relating to the manufacture, delivery, possession with the intent to manufacture or deliver, or conspiring to manufacture, deliver, or possess with the intent to manufacture or deliver flunitrazepam, and providing a penalty.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary.

**House File 250**, a bill for an act relating to the criminal penalties for an assault on members of certain occupations.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary.

## RECESS

On motion of Senator Veenstra, the Senate recessed at 11:57 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

#### RECONVENED

The Senate reconvened at 4:08 p.m., President Kramer presiding.

## HOUSE MESSAGES RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

The following messages were received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MADAM PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on March 3, 2003, **adopted** the following resolution in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

<u>Senate Concurrent Resolution 3</u>, a resolution requesting the establishment of standing Senate and House subcommittees on veterans affairs.

ALSO: That the House has on March 4, 2003, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

<u>House File 265</u>, a bill for an act relating to the withdrawal of blood without a warrant from a person under arrest for an operatingwhile-intoxicated offense when the arrest results from a traffic accident resulting in death or personal injury reasonably likely to cause death.

Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Senator Angelo, the Senate adjourned at 4:09 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, 2003.

## **APPENDIX**

#### COMMUNICATION RECEIVED

The following communication was received in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and placed on file in the Legislative Service Bureau:

February 27, 2003

#### AGENCY ICN REPORT

#### IOWA NATIONAL GUARD

Iowa Communications Network (ICN) Usage for FY 2002, pursuant to Iowa Code section 8D.10.

## CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

The Secretary of the Senate issued the following certificates of recognition:

Danny Kelley, Knoxville — For achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Senator McKinley (3/4/03).

Paul and Carol Miller, Belmond — For celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary on February 24, 2003. Senator Iverson (3/4/03).

Ina Grace Picht, Nevada — For celebrating your 100th birthday on March 29, 2003. Senator Quirmbach (3/4/03).

Bob and Regina Williams, Nevada — For celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary on March 4, 2003. Senator Iverson (3/4/03).

## PETITION

The following petition was presented and placed on file:

From 125 residents of Woodbury and Plymouth counties opposing additional taxation on credit unions. Senator Warnstadt.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

#### AGRICULTURE

**Convened:** March 3, 2003, 5:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Behn, Chair; Hosch, Vice Chair; Fraise, Ranking Member; Angelo, Courtney, Gaskill, Houser, Johnson, Kibbie, Putney, Ragan, Seng, Veenstra, and Zieman.

Members Absent: Black (excused).

Committee Business: Approved SSB 1066 and passed SF 191 and HF 240.

Adjourned: 5:20 p.m.

EDUCATION

Convened: March 3, 2003, 4:10 p.m.

**Members Present:** Boettger, Chair; McKinley, Vice Chair; Connolly, Ranking Member; Angelo, Beall, Behn, Brunkhorst, Dvorsky, Holveck, Hosch, Kreiman, Quirmbach, and Rehberg.

Members Absent: Larson and Redfern (both excused).

Committee Business: Approved <u>SSB 1053</u> (as amended).

Adjourned: 4:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY

Convened: March 3, 2003, 2:45 p.m.

**Members Present:** Redfern, Chair; Kreiman, Ranking Member; Boettger, Fraise, Holveck, Horn, Kettering, McCoy, Miller, Putney, Quirmbach, and Tinsman.

Members Absent: Larson, Vice Chair; Lamberti, and McKibben (all excused).

**Committee Business:** Presentations regarding sentencing and corrections programs.

Adjourned: 4:05 p.m.

#### COMMERCE

Convened: March 4, 2003, 9:35 a.m.

**Members Present:** Angelo, Chair; Wieck, Vice Chair; Warnstadt, Ranking Member; Beall, Behn, Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Gronstal, Kettering, Larson, McCoy, Redfern, Schuerer, Sievers, and Stewart.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: Passed SF 117 and approved SSB 1070.

Adjourned: 9:50 a.m.

#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH**

Convened: March 4, 2003, 2:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Rehberg, Chair; Shull, Vice Chair; Hatch, Ranking Member; Beall, Boettger, Dotzler, Larson, McKinley, Putney, Ragan, Seymour, Stewart, and Veenstra.

Members Absent: None.

**Committee Business:** Passed  $\underline{SF 73}$  and approved Governor's appointee.

Adjourned: 2:10 p.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Convened: March 4, 2003, 10:30 a.m.

**Members Present:** Gaskill, Chair; Miller, Vice Chair; Quirmbach, Ranking Member; Angelo, Hatch, Hosch, Houser, Kreiman, McCoy, Rehberg, Seymour, Stewart, and Wieck.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: Approved SSBs 1048 and 1075.

Adjourned: 10:50 a.m.

#### NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Convened: March 4, 2003, 2:05 p.m.

**Members Present:** Houser, Chair; Seng, Ranking Member; Black, Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Dearden, Drake, Kibbie, Lundby, Wieck, and Zieman.

Members Absent: Johnson, Vice Chair; Holveck, Kettering, and Miller (all excused).

Committee Business: Passed HF 254.

Adjourned: 2:10 p.m.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT

Convened: March 4, 2003, 10:30 a.m.

**Members Present:** Zieman, Chair; Sievers, Vice Chair; Kibbie, Ranking Member; Black, Connolly, Courtney, Dearden, Drake, Lamberti, Ragan, Schuerer, Shull, Tinsman, and Veenstra.

Members Absent: Johnson (excused).

Committee Business: Passed <u>SF 150</u> and approved Governor's appointee.

Recessed: 10:35 a.m.

Reconvened: 10:40 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:25 a.m.

## APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

**Convened:** March 4, 2003, 3:05 p.m.

**Members Present:** Gaskill, Chair; Houser, Vice Chair; Black, Ranking Member; Seng and Seymour.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: Passed TLSB 1120ja 80 (proposed joint appropriations bill).

Recessed: 3:30 p.m.

Reconvened: 3:40 p.m.

Adjourned: 3:50 p.m.

## **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**Senate File 254**, by Dotzler, Ragan, Hatch, Dvorsky, Connolly, Gronstal, Bolkcom, Black, Seng, Courtney, Stewart, Holveck, Kreiman, Dearden, and Beall, a bill for an act providing that employees should be paid based on comparable worth and making penalties applicable.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Business and Labor Relations.** 

Senate File 255, by Dotzler, Ragan, Hatch, Dvorsky, Connolly, Gronstal, Bolkcom, Black, Seng, Courtney, Warnstadt, Stewart, Holveck, Kreiman, Dearden, and Beall, a bill for an act relating to wage discrimination by providing for the determination of wage discrimination, applicable remedies, and providing an effective date.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Business and Labor Relations.** 

**Senate File 256**, by Larson, a bill for an act granting the right-ofway to horseback riders on public highways and providing a penalty. Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Transportation**.

**Senate File 257**, by Tinsman, a bill for an act relating to the management of elder group homes.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Human Resources.

**Senate File 258**, by Hatch, a bill for an act relating to the medical assistance program eligibility of inmates of public institutions.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Human Resources.

<u>Senate File 259</u>, by Hatch, a bill for an act increasing the maximum amount of historic property rehabilitation tax credits available for a fiscal year.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Ways and Means.

**Senate File 260**, by Larson, a bill for an act relating to certain leaves of absence for local civil service employees and providing for the Act's applicability.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Local Government.

**Senate File 261**, by Tinsman, a bill for an act establishing a planning group for merging the departments of human services and public health and providing an effective date.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Government Oversight**.

<u>Senate File 262</u>, by Courtney, a bill for an act relating to the appointment of an acting clerk of the district court or temporary clerk and the appointment of the clerk of the district court.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Judiciary.

<u>Senate File 263</u>, by Larson, a bill for an act relating to reading instruction in kindergarten through grade three and providing for related matters.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Education**.

Senate File 264, by Warnstadt, Dotzler, Kreiman, Quirmbach, Beall, Stewart, Fraise, Dearden, Bolkcom, Hatch, Ragan, Connolly, and Holveck, a bill for an act relating to the time for filing income tax returns and performing related activities for individuals ordered to state active duty or reservists ordered to active duty to perform homeland security duties, and including effective and retroactive applicability date provisions.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Ways and Means.

**Senate File 265**, by Dotzler, a bill for an act relating to the diversion of child support payments to a college savings plan.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Judiciary**.

**Senate File 266**, by Larson, a bill for an act relating to ethanol blended gasoline tax credits, and providing for its retroactive applicability, refunds, and an effective date.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Ways and Means.

**Senate File 267**, by Hatch, a bill for an act providing for an individual training account program within the department of workforce development.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Economic Growth.** 

**Senate File 268**, by committee on Agriculture, a bill for an act relating to tax credits and associated refunds for cooperatives engaged in the production of value-added agricultural products, and providing for its applicability.

Read first time under Rule 28 and placed on calendar.

<u>Senate File 269</u>, by McCoy, a bill for an act relating to the transparency of motor vehicle windshields and windows.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Transportation**.

**Senate File 270**, by committee on Education, a bill for an act relating to school district transportation routes outside a district's boundaries.

Read first time under Rule 28 and placed on calendar.

**Senate File 271**, by committee on Local Government, a bill for an act modifying the duties of county recorders.

#### Read first time under Rule 28 and placed on calendar.

**Senate File 272**, by committee on Local Government, a bill for an act relating to conflicts of interest in public contracts.

#### Read first time under Rule 28 and placed on calendar.

**Senate File 273**, by Kreiman, a bill for an act relating to evaluator requirements and compensation for evaluator training for school administrators under the student achievement and teacher quality program.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Education**.

<u>Senate File 274</u>, by Lundby, a bill for an act relating to solid waste by placing restrictions on the issuance or renewal of sanitary disposal project permits, certifying certain tax-exempt organizations

that operate solid waste diversion and recycling programs, and allowing planning areas to retain a portion of tonnage fees.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

Senate File 275, by committee on Commerce, a bill for an act relating to the taxation of utilities, including establishment of a natural gas delivery tax rate for new electric power generating plants, establishment of a replacement transmission tax for certain municipal utilities, methods of allocation of replacement generation tax incurred by certain new stand-alone electric power generating plants, a formula for determining taxable value for property generating replacement tax annually, extending the task force, and providing for applicability.

Read first time under Rule 28 and placed on calendar.

**Senate File 276**, by Lundby, a bill for an act relating to the regulation of elder family homes, elder group homes, and assisted living programs, providing for appropriation of fees, and providing penalties.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on Human Resources.

**Senate File 277**, by Hatch, a bill for an act providing for creation of special health care access partnerships for delivery of health care services to persons who have low income or do not have health insurance and providing an effective date.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Human Resources.** 

## STUDY BILLS RECEIVED

## **SSB 1035** Natural Resources and Environment (Reassigned)

Relating to fishing by establishing fees, allocating fishing license revenue to fish habitat development, modifying trout fishing fee requirements, and providing effective and applicability dates.

## **SSB 1120** Human Resources (Reassigned)

Relating to requirements related to marriage and dissolution of marriage.

## **SSB 1126** Local Government

Relating to election or appointment of trustees of a city hospital or health care facility.

## **SSB 1127** Commerce

Authorizing the sale of title insurance and regulating title insurance agents and title insurers, providing penalties, and providing effective and applicability dates.

## **SSB 1128** Judiciary

Relating to enforcement enhancements relative to certain tobacco product manufacturers, providing appropriations and penalties, and providing effective dates.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Senate File 104 (Reassignment)

APPROPRIATIONS: Lamberti, Chair; Dvorsky and Kramer

Senate File 161

TRANSPORTATION: Drake, Chair; Fraise and Putney

Senate File 162

TRANSPORTATION: Drake, Chair; Dearden and Putney

Senate File 218

JUDICIARY: Larson, Chair; Holveck and McKibben

Senate File 219

JUDICIARY: Putney, Chair; McKibben and Quirmbach

## Senate File 220

JUDICIARY: Fraise, Chair; Miller and Tinsman

Senate File 225

ECONOMIC GROWTH: Seymour, Chair; Dotzler and Shull

Senate File 226

JUDICIARY: Kettering, Chair; McCoy and Miller

Senate File 239

STATE GOVERNMENT: Schuerer, Chair; Kibbie and Shull

Senate File 240

APPROPRIATIONS: McKinley, Chair; Dotzler and Lamberti

Senate File 241

WAYS AND MEANS: Larson, Chair; Connolly and McKibben

Senate File 242

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Kettering, and Stewart

Senate File 243

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Warnstadt and Wieck

Senate File 244

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Warnstadt and Wieck

Senate File 245

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Warnstadt and Wieck

Senate File 246

WAYS AND MEANS: Larson, Chair; Connolly and McKibben

Senate File 247

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Houser, Chair; Seymour and Stewart

Senate File 248

AGRICULTURE: Putney, Chair; Fraise and Hosch

## Senate File 251

HUMAN RESOURCES: Behn, Chair; Horn and McKinley

Senate File 252

COMMERCE: Schuerer, Chair; Bolkcom and Redfern

Senate File 253

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Warnstadt and Wieck

Senate File 259

WAYS AND MEANS: Angelo, Chair; McKibben and Stewart

Senate File 264

WAYS AND MEANS: Larson, Chair; Connolly and McKinley

Senate File 266

WAYS AND MEANS: Rehberg, Chair; McKinley and Stewart

House File 216

JUDICIARY: Larson, Chair; Boettger and Holveck

#### House File 254

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT: Brunkhorst, Chair; Bolkcom and Kettering

## SSB 1035

(Reassignment)

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT: Kettering, Chair; Black and Houser

#### <u>SSB 1120</u> (Reassignment)

HUMAN RESOURCES: Schuerer, Chair; Ragan and Veenstra

SSB 1126

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Miller, Chair; McCoy and Rehberg

SSB 1127

COMMERCE: Angelo, Chair; Schuerer and Warnstadt

#### SSB 1128

JUDICIARY: Lamberti, Chair; Horn and McKibben

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### AGRICULTURE

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 191</u>, a bill for an act providing for the production and marketing of industrial hemp, and providing for penalties.

#### Recommendation: DO PASS.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 14: Behn, Hosch, Fraise, Angelo, Courtney, Gaskill, Houser, Johnson, Kibbie, Putney, Ragan, Seng, Veenstra, and Zieman. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Black.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 268</u> (<u>SSB 1066</u>), a bill for an act relating to tax credits and associated refunds for cooperatives engaged in the production of value-added agricultural products, and providing for its applicability.

**Recommendation:** APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 14: Behn, Hosch, Fraise, Angelo, Courtney, Gaskill, Houser, Johnson, Kibbie, Putney, Ragan, Seng, Veenstra, and Zieman. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Black.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

**Final Bill Action:** <u>HOUSE FILE 240</u>, a bill for an act relating to the composition of the Iowa egg council.

#### **Recommendation:** DO PASS.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 14: Behn, Hosch, Fraise, Angelo, Courtney, Gaskill, Houser, Johnson, Kibbie, Putney, Ragan, Seng, Veenstra, and Zieman. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Black.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

#### COMMERCE

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 117</u>, a bill for an act providing annual purchase or generation requirements for certain electric utilities from alternate energy production

facilities, requiring establishment of a system of alternate energy credit trading, making related changes, and providing an effective date.

Recommendation: AMEND AND DO PASS, AS PROVIDED IN AMENDMENT S-3024.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 15: Angelo, Wieck, Warnstadt, Beall, Behn, Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Gronstal, Kettering, Larson, McCoy, Redfern, Schuerer, Sievers, and Stewart. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 275</u> (<u>SSB 1070</u>), a bill for an act relating to the taxation of utilities, including establishment of a natural gas delivery tax rate for new electric power generating plants, establishment of a replacement transmission tax for certain municipal utilities, methods of allocation of replacement generation tax incurred by certain new stand-alone electric power generating plants, a formula for determining taxable value for property generating replacement tax annually, extending the task force, and providing for applicability.

#### Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 13: Angelo, Wieck, Warnstadt, Behn, Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Gronstal, Kettering, McCoy, Redfern, Schuerer, Sievers, and Stewart. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Beall and Larson.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH**

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 73</u>, a bill for an act relating to the reporting requirements under the Iowa industrial new jobs training Act.

#### Recommendation: DO PASS.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 13: Rehberg, Shull, Hatch, Beall, Boettger, Dotzler, Larson, McKinley, Putney, Ragan, Seymour, Stewart, and Veenstra. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

#### **EDUCATION**

**Final Bill Action:** \*<u>SENATE FILE 270</u> (<u>SSB 1053</u>), a bill for an act relating to school district transportation routes outside a district's boundaries.

**Recommendation:** APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 11: Boettger, McKinley, Connolly, Angelo, Beall, Behn, Dvorsky, Holveck, Hosch, Quirmbach, and Rehberg. Nays, 2: Brunkhorst and Kreiman. Absent, 2: Larson and Redfern.

#### Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

\*Pursuant to Senate Rule 40, the Legislative Service Bureau reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Education Committee on <u>Senate File 270</u>, and they were attached to the committee report.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 271</u> (<u>SSB 1048</u>), a bill for an act modifying the duties of county recorders.

**Recommendation:** APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 13: Gaskill, Miller, Quirmbach, Angelo, Hatch, Hosch, Houser, Kreiman, McCoy, Rehberg, Seymour, Stewart, and Wieck. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 272</u> (<u>SSB 1075</u>), a bill for an act relating to conflicts of interest in public contracts.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 13: Gaskill, Miller, Quirmbach, Angelo, Hatch, Hosch, Houser, Kreiman, McCoy, Rehberg, Seymour, Stewart, and Wieck. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

#### NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

**Final Bill Action:** <u>HOUSE FILE 254</u>, a bill for an act providing that revenues deposited in the state conservation fund are temporarily exempt from reversion and providing an effective date.

#### **Recommendation:** DO PASS.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 11: Houser, Seng, Black, Bolkcom, Brunkhorst, Dearden, Drake, Kibbie, Lundby, Wieck, and Zieman. Nays, none. Absent, 4: Johnson, Holveck, Kettering, and Miller.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT

**Final Bill Action:** <u>SENATE FILE 150</u>, a bill for an act relating to government efficiency by providing for the delivery of administrative services to state government, establishment of common state services regional boundaries, revising medical assistance program eligibility and benefits provisions, improving coordination of veterans benefits eligibility determinations, requiring a comprehensive study of the

state mental health institutes, and revising requirements involving the judicial district departments of correctional services, and providing effective dates.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

**Final Vote:** Ayes, 14: Zieman, Sievers, Kibbie, Black, Connolly, Courtney, Dearden, Drake, Lamberti, Ragan, Schuerer, Shull, Tinsman, and Veenstra. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Johnson.

**Fiscal Note:** NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE PLACED ON EN BLOC CALENDAR

The following appointee, assigned to standing committee for investigation, was placed on the En Bloc Calendar with recommendation for confirmation:

#### ECONOMIC GROWTH

Cyril Mandelbaum - Iowa Capital Investment Board

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEE PLACED ON INDIVIDUAL CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

The following appointee, assigned to standing committee for investigation, was placed on the Individual Confirmation Calendar without recommendation for confirmation:

#### STATE GOVERNMENT

John Cacciatore - Director of the Office for State-Federal Relations

## BILL SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

A communication was received announcing that on March 3, 2003, the Governor approved and transmitted to the Secretary of State the following bill:

S.F. 211 – Providing for the establishment of the state percent of growth for purposes of the state school foundation program and providing an applicability date.

## AMENDMENT FILED

<u>S-3024</u> <u>S.F. 117</u>

Commerce