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SEVENTY-FOURTH CALENDAR DAY
FORTY-FIFTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Thursday, March 27, 2008

The Senate met in regular session at 8:52 a.m., President Kibbie presiding.

Prayer was offered by Reverend James Meadows of the First Congregational Church in Fort Dodge, Iowa. He was the guest of Senator Beall.

The Journal of Wednesday, March 26, 2008, was approved.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Senator McKinley welcomed to the Senate chamber Queen Ally Huffman and representatives from Pella's Seventy-third Annual Tulip Time Festival. Queen Huffman invited the Senate to attend this year's festival on May 1, 2, and 3.

Queen Huffman introduced the following members of her court: Cassidy Mejia, Robin Sadler, Nikki Sikkema, and Emily Van Woerkom. Senator McCoy, who was celebrating his birthday, was invited to the well and took part in the presentation. President Kibbie gave Queen Huffman a kiss, and she, in turn, presented President Kibbie with a package of the famous Pella Dutch pastries.

The Queen, her attendants, and their parents distributed pastries to the senators and staff.

HOUSE MESSAGES RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

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

MR. PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on March 26, 2008, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 2328](#), a bill for an act relating to the deer depredation management program, establishing a deer study advisory committee, and providing an effective date.

ALSO: That the House has on March 26, 2008, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 2559](#), a bill for an act prohibiting the purchase of designated flags manufactured outside the United States.

Read first time and referred to committee on **State Government**.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION
(Regular Calendar)

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate Resolution 122](#).

[Senate Resolution 122](#)

On motion of Senator Dearden, [Senate Resolution 122](#), a resolution honoring the work and life achievements of retiring Iowa Federation of Labor President, Mark L. Smith, with report of committee recommending passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dearden moved the adoption of [Senate Resolution 122](#), which motion prevailed by a voice vote.

The Senate stood at ease at 9:00 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 9:53 a.m., President Kibbie presiding.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence were granted as follows:

Senator McKibben, until he arrives, on request of Senator Angelo; and Senators Boettger and Ziemann, until they arrive, on request of Senator McKinley.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS
(Regular Calendar)

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration Senate Files 2377 and 2307.

Senate File 2377

On motion of Senator Dotzler, **Senate File 2377**, a bill for an act relating to unemployment insurance benefits and compliance with federal law and including effective date and applicability provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Wieck offered amendment **S-5183**, filed by him on March 21, 2008, to pages 2 and 4–6 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

A record roll call was requested.

On the question “Shall amendment **S-5183** be adopted?” (**S.F. 2377**), the vote was:

Yeas, 17:

Angelo	Houser	Noble	Wieck
Behn	Johnson	Putney	Zaun
Gaskill	Kettering	Quirnbach	
Hahn	McKinley	Seymour	
Hartsuch	Mulder	Ward	

Nays, 30:

Appel	Dotzler	Horn	Schmitz
Beall	Dvorsky	Kibbie	Schoenjahn
Black	Fraise	Kreiman	Seng
Bolkcom	Gronstal	Lundby	Stewart
Connolly	Hancock	McCoy	Warnstadt
Courtney	Hatch	Olive	Wood
Danielson	Heckroth	Ragan	
Dearden	Hogg	Rielly	

Absent, 3:

Boettger McKibben Ziemann

Amendment [S-5183](#) lost.

President Pro Tempore Danielson took the chair at 10:18 a.m.

Senator Dotzler offered amendment [S-5168](#), filed by him on March 19, 2008, to pages 4 and 6 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5168](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

With the adoption of amendment [S-5168](#), the Chair ruled amendment [S-5167](#), filed by Senator Dotzler on March 19, 2008, to page 6 of the bill, out of order.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence were granted as follows:

Senators Kibbie and Gronstal, until they return, on request of Senator Dvorsky.

BUSINESS PENDING

[Senate File 2377](#)

The Senate resumed consideration of [Senate File 2377](#).

Senator Dotzler moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" ([S.F. 2377](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 29:

Appel	Dotzler	Kreiman	Schoenjahn
Beall	Dvorsky	Lundby	Seng
Black	Fraise	McCoy	Stewart
Bolkcom	Hancock	Olive	Warnstadt
Connolly	Hatch	Quirnbach	Wood
Courtney	Heckroth	Ragan	
Danielson	Hogg	Rielly	
Dearden	Horn	Schmitz	

Nays, 16:

Angelo	Hartsuch	McKinley	Seymour
Behn	Houser	Mulder	Ward
Gaskill	Johnson	Noble	Wieck
Hahn	Kettering	Putney	Zaun

Absent, 5:

Boettger	Kibbie	Zieman
Gronstal	McKibben	

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

[Senate File 2307](#)

On motion of Senator Heckroth, [Senate File 2307](#), a bill for an act establishing committees to formulate plans for a state research and development prekindergarten through grade twelve school and providing an effective date, was taken up for consideration.

Senator McKinley offered amendment [S-5233](#), filed by him from the floor, striking and replacing everything after the enacting clause and amending the title page of the bill, and moved its adoption.

A record roll call was requested.

On the question "Shall amendment [S-5233](#) be adopted?" ([S.F. 2307](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 17:

Angelo	Houser	Mulder	Wieck
Behn	Johnson	Noble	Zaun
Gaskill	Kettering	Putney	
Hahn	McCoy	Seymour	
Hartsuch	McKinley	Ward	

Nays, 30:

Appel	Dotzler	Horn	Schmitz
Beall	Dvorsky	Kibbie	Schoenjahn
Black	Fraise	Kreiman	Seng
Bolkcom	Gronstal	Lundby	Stewart
Connolly	Hancock	Olive	Warnstadt
Courtney	Hatch	Quirnbach	Wood
Danielson	Heckroth	Ragan	
Dearden	Hogg	Rielly	

Absent, 3:

Boettger McKibben Zieman

Amendment [S-5233](#) lost.

Senator Heckroth moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([S.F. 2307](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 40:

Appel	Fraise	Kettering	Ragan
Beall	Gaskill	Kibbie	Rielly
Black	Gronstal	Kreiman	Schmitz
Bolkcom	Hancock	Lundby	Schoenjahn
Connolly	Hatch	McCoy	Seng
Courtney	Heckroth	Mulder	Seymour
Danielson	Hogg	Noble	Stewart
Dearden	Horn	Olive	Ward
Dotzler	Houser	Putney	Warnstadt
Dvorsky	Johnson	Quirnbach	Wood

Nays, 7:

Angelo	Hahn	McKinley	Zaun
Behn	Hartsuch	Wieck	

Absent, 3:

Boettger McKibben Zieman

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that **Senate Files 2307** and **2377** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

BILLS PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS CALENDAR

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that the following bills on the Senate Calendar, no longer eligible under Joint Rule 20, be placed on the Unfinished Business Calendar:

[S.F. 2155](#)

[S.F. 2360](#) (and attached [H.F. 2570](#))

[S.F. 2395](#) (and attached [H.F. 2633](#))

[S.F. 2399](#)

[S.F. 2401](#)

[S.F. 2402](#)

[S.F. 2403](#)

BILL REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 2589](#) be referred from the Regular Calendar to the committee on **Ways and Means**.

HOUSE MESSAGE RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

The following message was received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MR. PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on March 27, 2008, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 2603](#), a bill for an act authorizing certain advanced registered nurse practitioners and psychiatrists to file certain periodic court reports on chronic substance abusers and persons with mental illness who do not require full-time placement in a treatment facility.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Gronstal, the Senate adjourned at 10:52 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, March 31, 2008.

APPENDIX

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

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

Adel-DeSoto-Minburn Boys' Basketball Team—For reaching the Boys' State Basketball Tournament. Senator Behn (3/27/08).

Gene Best, Atlantic—For celebrating his 80th birthday. Senator Boettger (3/27/08).

Jim and JoAnn Bobenmoyer, Audubon—For celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary. Senator Boettger (3/27/08).

Dallas Center-Grimes Girls' Basketball Team—For reaching the Girls' State Basketball Tournament. Senator Behn (3/27/08).

Ray DeBruin—For celebrating his 90th birthday. Senator Rielly (3/27/08).

Oren James—For celebrating his 99th birthday. Senator Rielly (3/27/08).

Talia Leman, Waukee—For being named one of the top two youth volunteers in the 13th Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. Senator Behn (3/27/08).

Duane and Jane Schuler, Griswold—For celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Senator Boettger (3/27/08).

Florence Thelen, Atlantic—For celebrating her 80th birthday. Senator Boettger (3/27/08).

Al and Gen Wede, Atlantic—For celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Senator Boettger (3/27/08).

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

COMMERCE

Convened: March 27, 2008, 11:40 a.m.

Members Present: Warnstadt, Chair; Heckroth, Vice Chair; Behn, Ranking Member; Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, McCoy, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward.

Members Absent: Courtney and McKibben (both excused).

Committee Business: Passed HF's 2383, 2555, 2556, 2650, and 2653, and approved governor's appointees.

Adjourned: 12:10 p.m.

ECONOMIC GROWTH

Convened: March 27, 2008, 1:50 p.m.

Members Present: Stewart, Chair; Olive, Vice Chair; Houser, Ranking Member; Beall, Danielson, Dotzler, Hahn, Hatch, Mulder, Rielly, Schmitz, and Zaun.

Members Absent: Seymour (excused).

Committee Business: Passed [HF 2558](#).

Adjourned: 1:55 p.m.

EDUCATION

Convened: March 27, 2008, 11:00 a.m.

Members Present: Schoenjahn, Chair; Appel, Vice Chair; Mulder, Ranking Member; Beall, Boettger, Connolly, Heckroth, Johnson, Kreiman, McKinley, Quirnbach, Schmitz, Wood, and Zaun.

Members Absent: Zieman (excused).

Committee Business: Passed HFs 2164, 2197, and 2526, and approved governor's appointees.

Recessed: 11:05 a.m.

Reconvened: 11:15 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:35 a.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Convened: March 27, 2008, 1:05 p.m.

Members Present: Ragan, Chair; Schmitz, Vice Chair; Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood.

Members Absent: Seymour, Ranking Member (excused).

Committee Business: Passed HFs 2393, 2564, 2591, 2603, and 2609, and approved governor's appointees.

Adjourned: 1:20 p.m.

LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Convened: March 27, 2008, 9:10 a.m.

Members Present: Dearden, Chair; Ward, Ranking Member; Behn, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Dvorsky, Hahn, Hatch, Horn, Kettering, and Seng.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: Passed HF's 2542 and 2568, and approved governor's appointees.

Adjourned: 9:25 a.m.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Convened: March 27, 2008, 2:15 p.m.

Members Present: Black, Chair; Hancock, Vice Chair; Behn, Bolkcom, Dearden, Hogg, Johnson, Kettering, Lundby, Noble, Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, and Wood.

Members Absent: Gaskill, Ranking Member (excused).

Committee Business: Passed HF's 2177, 2440, 2580, 2581, and 2612, as amended, and approved governor's appointees.

Adjourned: 3:20 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

Convened: March 27, 2008, 1:05 p.m.

Members Present: Rielly, Chair; Danielson, Vice Chair; Noble, Ranking Member; Beall, Dearden, Hancock, Heckroth, Houser, Putney, Warnstadt, and Zaun.

Members Absent: McCoy and Zieman (both excused).

Committee Business: Passed HF's 2407 and 2651, as amended.

Adjourned: 1:30 p.m.

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Convened: March 27, 2008, 12:05 p.m.

Members Present: Wood, Chair; Horn, Vice Chair; Boettger, Ranking Member; and Quirnbach.

Members Absent: Zieman (excused).

Committee Business: Discussed budget bill.

Adjourned: 12:35 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

[Senate Resolution 123](#), by Angelo, Wieck, Zieman, Kettering, Boettger, Ward, Mulder, Johnson, Zaun, McKinley, Noble, Putney, Gaskill, Lundby, Houser, Seymour, Wood, Heckroth, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Olive, Kreiman, Stewart, Quirmbach, Warnstadt, Ragan, Bolkcom, Fraise, Dotzler, Hatch, Dvorsky, Connolly, Seng, Appel, Hogg, Dearden, Gronstal, Courtney, Hancock, Kibbie, Danielson, Schmitz, and Horn, a resolution to honor Iowa's Olympic athletes.

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

[Senate Resolution 124](#), by Ragan and Seymour, a resolution to recognize the work of the federal Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the efforts to reduce the incidence of vaccine-preventable influenza.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[House File 2600](#)

JUDICIARY: Kreiman, Chair; McKibben and Warnstadt

[House File 2603](#)

HUMAN RESOURCES: Wood, Chair; Ragan and Seymour

FINAL COMMITTEE REPORTS OF BILL ACTION

COMMERCE

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2383](#), a bill for an act making nonsubstantive corrections to certain provisions relating to insurance and making repeals.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Warnstadt, Heckroth, Behn, Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, McCoy, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Courtney and McKibben.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2555](#), a bill for an act relating to various matters under the purview of the insurance division of the department of commerce including uniform securities; duties of the insurance division including a consumer advocate and rate reviews; confidential information; examinations; insurance trade practices; insurance fraud; the Iowa life and health insurance guaranty association; viatical settlement contracts; general agents and third-party administrators; life insurance companies; health maintenance organizations; utilization and cost control; external review of health care coverage decisions; the Iowa comprehensive health insurance association; workers' compensation liability insurance; consolidation, merger, and reinsurance; licensing of insurance producers; cemetery and funeral merchandise and funeral services; and cemeteries, making appropriations, and providing an effective date.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Warnstadt, Heckroth, Behn, Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, McCoy, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Courtney and McKibben.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2556](#), a bill for an act relating to the regulatory duties of the banking division of the department of commerce regarding banking, debt management, delayed deposit services, mortgage banking, and industrial loan companies, and providing penalties.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Warnstadt, Heckroth, Behn, Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, McCoy, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Courtney and McKibben.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2650](#), a bill for an act establishing a state health insurance mandate commission, and providing for a repeal and an effective date.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Warnstadt, Heckroth, Behn, Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward. Nays, 1: McCoy. Absent, 2: Courtney and McKibben.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2653](#), a bill for an act relating to foreclosure consultants and foreclosure reconveyances, providing for criminal and civil penalties, and providing an effective date.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Warnstadt, Heckroth, Behn, Angelo, Bolkcom, Kettering, McCoy, Olive, Putney, Rielly, Schoenjahn, Stewart, and Ward. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Courtney and McKibben.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ECONOMIC GROWTH

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2558](#), a bill for an act relating to economic development by providing for the confidentiality of certain details contained in contracts and applications for financial assistance.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Stewart, Olive, Houser, Beall, Danielson, Dotzler, Hahn, Hatch, Mulder, Rielly, Schmitz, and Zaun. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Seymour.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

EDUCATION

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2164](#), a bill for an act relating to voluntary diversity or court-ordered school desegregation plans under the state's open enrollment law.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 9: Schoenjahn, Appel, Beall, Connolly, Heckroth, Kreiman, Quirnbach, Schmitz, and Wood. Nays, 5: Mulder, Boettger, Johnson, McKinley, and Zaun. Absent, 1: Zieman.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2197](#), a bill for an act requiring institutions of higher learning and community colleges to provide students with specific textbook information.

Recommendation: AMEND AND DO PASS, AS PROVIDED IN AMENDMENT [S-5236](#).

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Schoenjahn, Appel, Mulder, Beall, Connolly, Heckroth, Johnson, Kreiman, McKinley, Quirnbach, Schmitz, Wood, and Zaun. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Boettger and Zieman.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2526](#), a bill for an act relating to the disposition of school property.

Recommendation: AMEND AND DO PASS, AS PROVIDED IN AMENDMENT [S-5235](#).

Final Vote: Ayes, 13: Schoenjahn, Appel, Mulder, Beall, Connolly, Heckroth, Johnson, Kreiman, McKinley, Quirnbach, Schmitz, Wood, and Zaun. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Boettger and Zieman.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2393](#), a bill for an act providing requirements for minority impact statements in relation to state grant applications and correctional impact statements for legislation, and providing effective and applicability dates.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Ragan, Schmitz, Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Seymour.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2564](#), a bill for an act concerning the disaster aid individual assistance grant program.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 11: Ragan, Schmitz, Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 2: Seymour and Hartsuch.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2591](#), a bill for an act relating to dependent adult abuse in certain facilities and programs and providing penalties.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Ragan, Schmitz, Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Seymour.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2603](#), a bill for an act authorizing certain advanced registered nurse practitioners and psychiatrists to file certain periodic court reports on chronic substance abusers and persons with mental illness who do not require full-time placement in a treatment facility.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Ragan, Schmitz, Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Seymour.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2609](#), a bill for an act relating to the public release of information relating to elder group homes, assisted living facilities, and adult day services programs and providing for an effective date.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Ragan, Schmitz, Boettger, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Hartsuch, Hatch, Johnson, Kreiman, Mulder, Quirnbach, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Seymour.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2542](#), a bill for an act concerning work-related injuries suffered and claims made outside of this state.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 10: Dearden, Ward, Behn, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Dvorsky, Hatch, Horn, Kettering, and Seng. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Hahn.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2568](#), a bill for an act relating to the calculation of certain weekly workers' compensation benefits by requiring certain weekly workers' compensation benefits to be calculated by including an employee's shift differential pay and by changing the basis for calculating the weekly rate for certain injured inmates.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 11: Dearden, Ward, Behn, Bolkcom, Dotzler, Dvorsky, Hahn, Hatch, Horn, Kettering, and Seng. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2177](#), a bill for an act relating to the placement of deer transportation tags on antlered deer that have been taken pursuant to a deer hunting license.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 12: Black, Hancock, Bolkcom, Dearden, Hogg, Johnson, Kettering, Lundby, Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, and Wood. Nays, 2: Behn and Noble. Absent, 1: Gaskill.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2440](#), a bill for an act providing an exemption for certain military personnel and veterans from a requirement to complete a hunter safety and ethics education course before obtaining a hunting license.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 14: Black, Hancock, Behn, Bolkcom, Dearden, Hogg, Johnson, Kettering, Lundby, Noble, Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Gaskill.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2580](#), a bill for an act providing for a sustainable natural resource funding advisory committee.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 14: Black, Hancock, Behn, Bolkcom, Dearden, Hogg, Johnson, Kettering, Lundby, Noble, Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Gaskill.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2581](#), a bill for an act relating to the donation of food to the department of natural resources or county conservation boards.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 14: Black, Hancock, Behn, Bolkcom, Dearden, Hogg, Johnson, Kettering, Lundby, Noble, Ragan, Schoenjahn, Seng, and Wood. Nays, none. Absent, 1: Gaskill.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

TRANSPORTATION

Bill Title: [HOUSE FILE 2407](#), a bill for an act relating to the annual registration fee for certain motor vehicles equipped for persons with disabilities or used by persons with wheelchairs.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Ayes, 11: Rielly, Danielson, Noble, Beall, Dearden, Hancock, Heckroth, Houser, Putney, Warnstadt, and Zaun. Nays, none. Absent, 2: McCoy and Zieman.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES

MR. PRESIDENT: I was necessarily absent from the Senate chamber on March 27, 2008, when the vote was taken on [Senate File 2377](#). Had I been present, I would have voted "Yea."

MICHAEL E. GRONSTAL

MR. PRESIDENT: I was necessarily absent from the Senate chamber on March 27, 2008, when the vote was taken on [Senate File 2377](#). Had I been present, I would have voted "Yea."

JOHN P. KIBBIE

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTEES PLACED ON EN BLOC CALENDAR

The following appointees, assigned to standing committees for investigation, were placed on the En Bloc Calendar with recommendations for confirmation:

COMMERCE

James Forney – Superintendent of Credit Unions

Tahira Hira – Credit Union Review Board

Barbara Oliver-Hall – Credit Union Review Board

Robert Hardman – Iowa Telecommunications and Technology Commission

EDUCATION

Joan Jaimes – Board of Education

Janet Piller – Iowa Higher Education Loan Authority

Atul Gupta – Technology Governance Board

HUMAN RESOURCES

Pamela Davis – Board of Athletic Training

Melody Higgins – Board of Athletic Training

Lynn Lindaman – Board of Athletic Training

Sandra Ryan – Commission for the Blind

John Ortega – Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa (HAWK-I) Board

Amy Cook – Board of Sign Language Interpreters and Transliterators

LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Karen Vanderhoef – Iowa Workforce Development Board

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Kevin Lewis – Renewable Fuels and Coproducts Advisory Committee

Cindi Grover – Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Board

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Francis McAllister – Commission of Veterans Affairs

Saralee Sickles – Commission of Veterans Affairs

Mickey Williams – Commission of Veterans Affairs

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

LABOR AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Monique Kuester – Employment Appeal Board

AMENDMENTS FILED

S-5232	H.F. 2145	Rich Olive
S-5233	S.F. 2307	Paul McKinley
S-5234	S.F. 2360	Frank B. Wood
S-5235	H.F. 2526	Education
S-5236	H.F. 2197	Education
S-5237	H.F. 2555	Rich Olive
S-5238	H.F. 2555	Rich Olive