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ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH CALENDAR DAY
EIGHTY-SIXTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Friday, June 5, 2015

The Senate met in regular session at 9:14 a.m., President Jochum presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Rita Hart, member of the Senate from Clinton County, Wheatland, Iowa.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senate Pages Claire Eide and Emily Bray.

The Journal of Thursday, June 4, 2015, was approved.

The Senate stood at ease at 9:20 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 10:18 a.m., President Jochum 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 June 5, 2015, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

Senate File 513, a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for a period of short duration beginning July 1, 2015, providing for related legal and other matters, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **amended** the Senate amendment, **concurred** in the Senate amendment as amended, **and passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

House File 652, a bill for an act relating to underground storage tanks, including by establishing an underground storage tank cost share grant program and fund and making an appropriation. (**S-3228**)

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

House File 666, a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making transfers and appropriations, providing for properly related matters, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.

Read first time and attached to **similar Senate File 514**.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Appropriations Calendar)

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration **Senate File 514**.

Senate File 514

On motion of Senator Dvorsky, **Senate File 514**, a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making transfers and appropriations, providing for properly related matters, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dvorsky offered amendment **S-3227**, filed by him from the floor to page 5 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment **S-3227** was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Dvorsky asked and received unanimous consent that **House File 666** be **substituted** for **Senate File 514**.

House File 666

On motion of Senator Dvorsky, [House File 666](#), a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making transfers and appropriations, providing for properly related matters, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dvorsky 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?" ([H.F. 666](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 27:

Allen	Danielson	Horn	Ragan
Bisignano	Dearden	Jochum	Schoenjahn
Bolkcom	Dotzler	Kinney	Seng
Bowman	Dvorsky	Mathis	Sodders
Brase	Gronstal	McCoy	Taylor
Costello	Hart	Petersen	Wilhelm
Courtney	Hogg	Quirnbach	

Nays, 23:

Anderson	Dix	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Behn	Feenstra	Rozenboom	Smith
Bertrand	Garrett	Schneider	Whitver
Breitbach	Guth	Schultz	Zaun
Chapman	Johnson	Segebart	Zumbach
Chelgren	Kapucian	Shipley	

Absent, none.

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

WITHDRAWN

Senator Dvorsky asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 514](#) be **withdrawn** from further consideration of the Senate.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
SENATE AMENDMENT CONSIDERED

[House File 652](#)

Senator Gronstal called up for consideration [House File 652](#), a bill for an act relating to underground storage tanks, including by establishing an underground storage tank cost share grant program and fund and making an appropriation, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-3228](#) to Senate amendment [H-1384](#), filed June 5, 2015.

Senator Hogg moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator Hogg moved that the bill, as amended by the Senate, further amended by the House and concurred in by the Senate, be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by voice vote and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([H.F. 652](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 31:

Allen	Dotzler	Kinney	Segebart
Bolkcom	Dvorsky	Mathis	Seng
Bowman	Feenstra	McCoy	Shiple
Brase	Gronstal	Petersen	Sodders
Costello	Hart	Quirnbach	Taylor
Courtney	Hogg	Ragan	Wilhelm
Danielson	Horn	Schoenjahn	Zaun
Dearden	Jochum	Schultz	

Nays, 19:

Anderson	Chapman	Johnson	Sinclair
Behn	Chelgren	Kapucian	Smith
Bertrand	Dix	Kraayenbrink	Whitver
Bisignano	Garrett	Rozenboom	Zumbach
Breitbach	Guth	Schneider	

Absent, none.

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 **House Files 652** and **666** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 10:53 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 12:54 p.m., President Jochum 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 June 5, 2015, **concurred** in the Senate amendment **and passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

House File 651, a bill for an act relating to expenditures of moneys from the E911 emergency communications fund, other duties of the department of homeland security and emergency management, and other properly related matters.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **amended** the Senate amendment, **concurred** in the Senate amendment as amended, **and passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

House File 616, a bill for an act relating to property tax credits and assessment by modifying filing deadline provisions, modifying requirements relating to property assessment notices and equalization order notices, modifying provisions relating to property assessment protests and assessor informal reviews, and including effective date and applicability provisions. (**S-3229**)

House File 645, a bill for an act modifying provisions applicable to the renewable energy tax credit, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. (**S-3230**)

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED

[House File 632](#)

Senator Gronstal called up for consideration [House File 632](#), a bill for an act relating to various matters involving insurance and the insurance division of the department of commerce and including effective date provisions, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-3224](#) to Senate amendment [H-1381](#), filed June 4, 2015.

Senator McCoy moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator McCoy moved that the bill, as amended by the Senate, further amended by the House and concurred in by the Senate, be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by voice vote and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([H.F. 632](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

Allen	Danielson	Jochum	Schultz
Anderson	Dearden	Johnson	Seng
Bertrand	Dix	Kinney	Shiple
Bisignano	Dotzler	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Bolkcom	Dvorsky	Mathis	Smith
Bowman	Garrett	McCoy	Sodders
Brase	Gronstal	Petersen	Taylor
Chapman	Guth	Quirnbach	Whitver
Chelgren	Hart	Ragan	Wilhelm
Costello	Hogg	Schneider	Zaun
Courtney	Horn	Schoenjahn	Zumbach

Nays, 6:

Behn	Feenstra	Rozenboom
Breitbach	Kapucian	Segebart

Absent, none.

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

House File 616

Senator Gronstal called up for consideration [House File 616](#), a bill for an act relating to property tax credits and assessment by modifying filing deadline provisions, modifying requirements relating to property assessment notices and equalization order notices, modifying provisions relating to property assessment protests and assessor informal reviews, and including effective date and applicability provisions, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-3229](#) to Senate amendment [H-1382](#), filed June 5, 2015.

Senator Bolkcom moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator Hogg moved that the bill, as amended by the Senate, further amended by the House and concurred in by the Senate, be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by voice vote and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([H.F. 616](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 46:

Allen	Danielson	Johnson	Segebart
Anderson	Dix	Kapucian	Seng
Behn	Dotzler	Kinney	Shipley
Bertrand	Dvorsky	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Bisignano	Feenstra	Mathis	Smith
Bolkcom	Garrett	Petersen	Sodders
Bowman	Gronstal	Quirnbach	Taylor
Brase	Guth	Ragan	Wilhelm
Breitbach	Hart	Rozenboom	Zaun
Chapman	Hogg	Schneider	Zumbach
Costello	Horn	Schoenjahn	
Courtney	Jochum	Schultz	

Nays, 4:

Chelgren	Dearden	McCoy	Whitver
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Absent, none.

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

[House File 645](#)

Senator Gronstal called up for consideration [House File 645](#), a bill for an act modifying provisions applicable to the renewable energy tax credit, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-3230](#) to Senate amendment [H-1387](#), filed June 5, 2015.

Senator Hogg moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator Hogg moved that the bill, as amended by the Senate, further amended by the House and concurred in by the Senate, be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by voice vote and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([H.F. 645](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 49:

Allen	Dearden	Kapucian	Seng
Anderson	Dix	Kinney	Shiple
Behn	Dotzler	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Bertrand	Dvorsky	Mathis	Smith
Bisignano	Feenstra	McCoy	Sodders
Bolkcom	Garrett	Petersen	Taylor
Bowman	Gronstal	Quirnbach	Whitver
Brase	Guth	Ragan	Wilhelm
Breitbach	Hart	Rozenboom	Zaun
Chapman	Hogg	Schneider	Zumbach
Costello	Horn	Schoenjahn	
Courtney	Jochum	Schultz	
Danielson	Johnson	Segebart	

Nays, 1:

Chelgren

Absent, none.

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

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that **House Files 616, 632, and 645** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

[Senate File 171](#)

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed June 5, 2015, on [Senate File 171](#), a bill for an act establishing the state percent of growth and including effective date provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

HERMAN C. QUIRMBACH, Chair
BILL DIX
MICHAEL E. GRONSTAL
AMY SINCLAIR

On the part of the House:

CHUCK SODERBERG, Chair
KRAIG PAULSEN
LINDA UPMEYER

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 171](#)

Senator Gronstal called up the conference committee report on [Senate File 171](#), a bill for an act establishing the state percent of growth and including effective date provisions, filed on June 5, 2015, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

Senator Quirnbach 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. 171](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 45:

Allen	Dearden	Kapucian	Segebart
Anderson	Dix	Kinney	Seng
Behn	Dotzler	Kraayenbrink	Shipley

Bertrand	Dvorsky	Mathis	Sinclair
Bisignano	Garrett	McCoy	Smith
Bolkcom	Gronstal	Petersen	Sodders
Brase	Guth	Quirnbach	Taylor
Breitbach	Hart	Ragan	Whitver
Chapman	Hogg	Rozenboom	Wilhelm
Costello	Horn	Schneider	
Courtney	Jochum	Schoenjahn	
Danielson	Johnson	Schultz	

Nays, 5:

Bowman	Feenstra	Zumbach
Chelgren	Zaun	

Absent, none.

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

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

[Senate File 172](#)

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed June 5, 2015, on [Senate File 172](#), a bill for an act establishing the categorical state percent of growth and including effective date provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

HERMAN C. QUIRMBACH, Chair
BILL DIX
MICHAEL E. GRONSTAL
AMY SINCLAIR

On the part of the House:

CHUCK SODERBERG, Chair
KRAIG PAULSEN
LINDA UPMEYER

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 172](#)

Senator Gronstal called up the conference committee report on [Senate File 172](#), a bill for an act establishing the categorical state percent of growth and including effective date provisions, filed on June 5, 2015, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

Senator Quirnbach 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. 172](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 46:

Allen	Danielson	Johnson	Schultz
Anderson	Dearden	Kapucian	Segebart
Behn	Dix	Kinney	Seng
Bertrand	Dotzler	Kraayenbrink	Shiple
Bisignano	Dvorsky	Mathis	Sinclair
Bolkcom	Garrett	McCoy	Smith
Bowman	Gronstal	Petersen	Sodders
Brase	Guth	Quirnbach	Taylor
Breitbach	Hart	Ragan	Whitver
Chapman	Hogg	Rozenboom	Wilhelm
Costello	Horn	Schneider	
Courtney	Jochum	Schoenjahn	

Nays, 4:

Chelgren	Feenstra	Zaun	Zumbach
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Absent, none.

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

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that **Senate Files 171 and 172** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 1:27 p.m. until the fall of the gavel.

The Senate resumed session at 2:27 p.m., President Jochum 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 June 5, 2015, **adopted** the conference committee report **and passed** [Senate File 171](#), a bill for an act establishing the state percent of growth and including effective date provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **adopted** the conference committee report **and passed** [Senate File 172](#), a bill for an act establishing the categorical state percent of growth and including effective date provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **adopted** the second conference committee report **and passed** [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions.

SECOND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

[House File 635](#)

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed June 5, 2015, on [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

JEFF DANIELSON, Chair
BILL ANDERSON
JAKE CHAPMAN

On the part of the House:

BRIAN MOORE, Chair
BRIAN BEST
GUY VANDER LINDEN

SECOND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[House File 635](#)

Senator Gronstal called up the conference committee report on [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions, filed on June 5, 2015, and moved its adoption.

Senator Danielson moved the adoption of the conference committee report and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, which motion failed by a voice vote.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 635](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 2:34 p.m. until the fall of the gavel.

The Senate resumed session at 3:00 p.m., President Jochum presiding.

HOUSE MESSAGE RECEIVED

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

MADAM PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on June 5, 2015, appointed a third conference committee to [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provision, and the Conference Committee members on the part of the House are: the representative from Jackson, Representative Moore, Chair; the representative from Cerro Gordo, Representative Upmeyer; the representative from Johnson, Representative Stutsman; the representative from Linn, Representative Paulsen; and the representative from Scott, Representative Lykam.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The Chair announced the third conference committee on [House File 635](#) on the part of the Senate: Senators Gronstal, Chair; Dix, Dvorsky, Jochum, and Whitver.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 635](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 3:01 p.m. until the fall of the gavel.

The Senate resumed session at 3:06 p.m., President Jochum presiding.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

[Senate File 510](#)

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed June 5, 2015, on [Senate File 510](#), a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making appropriations, providing for fees, providing for legal responsibilities, providing for certain employee benefits, and providing for regulatory, taxation, and properly related matters, and including penalties and effective date and retroactive and other applicability provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

ROBERT E. DVORSKY, Chair
MICHAEL E. GRONSTAL
PAM JOCHUM

On the part of the House:

CHUCK SODERBERG, Chair
KRAIG PAULSEN
LINDA UPMEYER

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 510](#)

Senator Gronstal called up the conference committee report on [Senate File 510](#), a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making appropriations, providing for fees, providing for legal responsibilities, providing for certain employee benefits, and providing for regulatory, taxation, and properly related matters, and including penalties and effective date and retroactive and other applicability provisions, filed on June 5, 2015, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

Senator Dvorsky 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. 510](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 26:

Allen	Dearden	Jochum	Schoenjahn
Bisignano	Dotzler	Kinney	Seng
Bolkcom	Dvorsky	Mathis	Sodders
Bowman	Gronstal	McCoy	Taylor
Brase	Hart	Petersen	Wilhelm
Courtney	Hogg	Quirnbach	
Danielson	Horn	Ragan	

Nays, 24:

Anderson	Costello	Kapucian	Shiple
Behn	Dix	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Bertrand	Feenstra	Rozenboom	Smith
Breitbach	Garrett	Schneider	Whitver
Chapman	Guth	Schultz	Zaun
Chelgren	Johnson	Segebart	Zumbach

Absent, none.

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 File 510](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 3:20 p.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 3:34 p.m., President Jochum presiding.

RECESS

On motion of Senator Gronstal, the Senate recessed at 3:35 p.m. until the completion of a meeting of the committee on Rules and Administration.

RECONVENED

The Senate reconvened at 3:42 p.m., President Jochum 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 June 5, 2015, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 485](#), a bill for an act relating to the voter-approved physical plant and equipment levy by authorizing school districts to exceed the statutory levy rate limit following the refunding or refinancing of certain loan agreements and including effective date provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **adopted** the third conference committee report **and passed** [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions.

THIRD CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

[House File 635](#)

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed June 5, 2015, on [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

MICHAEL E. GRONSTAL, Chair
BILL DIX
ROBERT E. DVORSKY
PAM JOCHUM
JACK WHITVER

On the part of the House:

BRIAN MOORE, Chair
JIM LYKAM
KRAIG PAULSEN
SALLY STUTSMAN
LINDA UPMEYER

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was granted as follows:

Senator Behn, until he returns, on request of Senator Dix.

THIRD CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[House File 635](#)

Senator Gronstal called up the conference committee report on [House File 635](#), a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, providing fees, and including effective date provisions, filed on June 5, 2015, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

Senator Gronstal 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?" ([H.F. 635](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 49:

Allen	Dearden	Kapucian	Seng
Anderson	Dix	Kinney	Shiple
Bertrand	Dotzler	Kraayenbrink	Sinclair
Bisignano	Dvorsky	Mathis	Smith
Bolkcom	Feenstra	McCoy	Sodders
Bowman	Garrett	Petersen	Taylor
Brase	Gronstal	Quirnbach	Whitver
Breitbach	Guth	Ragan	Wilhelm
Chapman	Hart	Rozenboom	Zaun
Chelgren	Hogg	Schneider	Zumbach
Costello	Horn	Schoenjahn	
Courtney	Jochum	Schultz	
Danielson	Johnson	Segebart	

Nays, none.

Absent, 1:

Behn

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 [House File 635](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

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 June 5, 2015, adopted the conference committee report and passed [Senate File 510](#), a bill for an act relating to state and local finances by making appropriations, providing for fees, providing for legal responsibilities, providing for certain employee benefits, and providing for regulatory, taxation, and properly related matters, and including penalties and effective date and retroactive and other applicability provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on June 5, 2015, **adopted** the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House Concurrent Resolution 9](#), a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die.

BILLS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent to refer the following bills from the Regular Calendar to the following committees:

SF 471	Appropriations
SF 473	Appropriations
SF 483	Ways and Means
SF 490	Ways and Means
SF 495	Transportation
SF 502	Commerce
SF 504	Ways and Means
SF 506	Judiciary
SF 507 and Attached HF 653	Ways and Means
SF 508 and Attached HF 614	State Government
SF 511	Ways and Means
HF 286	Labor and Business Relations
HF 506	State Government
HF 578	Natural Resources and Environment

HF 588	Transportation
HF 597	Transportation
HF 617	Transportation
HF 654	Economic Growth

FINAL COMMITTEE REPORT OF BILL ACTION

RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Bill Title: [SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 6](#), a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Ayes, 11: Gronstal, Jochum, Dix, Chapman, Courtney, Dearden, Dvorsky, Guth, Ragan, Sodders, and Whitver. Nays, none. Absent, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION

[Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#), by Rules and Administration, a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die.

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

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION (Regular Calendar)

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#).

[Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#)

On motion of Senator Gronstal, [Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#), a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that [House Concurrent Resolution 9](#) be substituted for [Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#).

House Concurrent Resolution 9

On motion of Senator Gronstal, House Concurrent Resolution 9, a concurrent resolution to provide for adjournment sine die, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Gronstal moved the adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 9, which motion prevailed by a voice vote.

WITHDRAWN

Senator Gronstal asked and received unanimous consent that Senate Concurrent Resolution 6 be **withdrawn** from further consideration of the Senate.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT

By virtue of House Concurrent Resolution 9, duly adopted, the day of June 5, 2015, having arrived, President Jochum declared the 2015 Regular Session of the Eighty-sixth General Assembly adjourned sine die.

APPENDIX

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

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

Duane Walhof, Le Mars—Upon his retirement from the U.S. Marshals Service after more than 26 years of distinguished service. Senator Anderson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING

RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Convened: Friday, June 5, 2015, 3:35 p.m.

Members Present: Gronstal, Chair; Jochum, Vice Chair; Dix, Ranking Member; Chapman, Courtney, Dearden, Dvorsky, Guth, Ragan, Soddors, and Whitver.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: Passed SCR 6.

Adjourned: 3:40 pm.

STUDY BILL RECEIVED

SSB 1295 Appropriations

Relating to cultural affairs and economic development by establishing an Iowa next program and fund to assist communities in community enhancement projects, creating a sports tourism program, modifying certain department of cultural affairs programs, eliminating the Iowa cultural trust board of trustees, Iowa cultural trust grant account, and the great places program and fund, making appropriations, and including transition provisions.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT

SSB 1295

APPROPRIATIONS: Dotzler, Chair; Chapman and Dvorsky

AMENDMENTS FILED

<u>S-3227</u>	<u>S.F. 514</u>	Robert E. Dvorsky
<u>S-3228</u>	<u>H.F. 652</u>	House
<u>S-3229</u>	<u>H.F. 616</u>	House
<u>S-3230</u>	<u>H.F. 645</u>	House

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

President Jochum provided the following remarks:

As President of the Senate, it is my job to direct the fair and efficient operation of the Senate. It is my pleasure to work with the many people who make our work as lawmakers possible.

Please join me in offering our thanks to caucus staffers, backroom workers, bill drafters, clerks, door keepers, custodial staff, and everyone who supports our efforts.

In my opening remarks for the 2015 General Assembly, I challenged us to craft a fiscally responsible budget that was fair to all Iowans, one which would help build an economy that works for everyone.

Although Iowa's workers outperform the national average on productivity, Iowa wages remain twenty-three percent below the national average.

Furthermore, forty-one percent of our state's children under the age of six live in low income households.

Too many Iowans are being left behind. Those suffering the most are our children.

Iowa needs a state budget that responds to these needs. We need a state budget that paves the way to a more prosperous future.

That's why Senate Democrats fought so hard to adequately fund education from pre-school through higher education at our state universities, private colleges, and community colleges.

Education drives economic mobility and has always enjoyed strong bipartisan support in Iowa.

For decades, our state has led the nation in test scores and other measures of student achievement.

Sadly, in Iowa, funding for public education has become a partisan issue.

As support for our local schools has become divided along party lines, Iowa has slipped from among the states at the top in terms of per student funding to among the states in the bottom third.

How did the 86th General Assembly respond during its 2015 session to these challenges?

The best that can be said is we passed a status quo budget.

The budget we approved falls short of addressing the inflationary costs of education, health care, public safety, the environment, and economic growth.

The Senate did succeed in blocking draconian attempts to undermine civil rights and workers' rights in Iowa.

And we did vote to strengthen the safety net and legal framework for children and women who are caught in the web of domestic violence and human trafficking. Unfortunately, those measures were not taken up in the Iowa House.

We fought to provide legislative oversight of Governor Branstad's rush to privatize Iowa's public health insurance system for the frail, the ill, and those with disabilities.

The administrative costs of putting this health care system into the hands of out-of-state, for-profit managed care companies are expected to be five times what we spend to manage the system internally.

Everyone involved in this system, from the families to the providers, say legislative oversight is needed.

I am happy to report that we succeeded in establishing a legislative oversight committee with broad authority to track the progress of Medicaid managed care and make recommendations for improvements.

Additionally, the Department of Human Service must hold public meetings all across the state - in communities large and small - with stakeholder and advocacy groups.

I'm especially disappointed that two economic measures that would directly improve the incomes of struggling working families were not addressed by the House.

One was the Senate's push to give 200,000 Iowans a raise by increasing the minimum wage to \$8.75 an hour. The other was our legislation to stop unscrupulous employers from stealing the wages of their workers.

While Democrats and Republicans can be proud of many accomplishments, the lack of progress on the core issue of economic inequality should trouble us all.

There are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people. The 2015 session could and should have done more to unleash those extraordinary possibilities for our children and families.

Next session, we will try again.

Thank you.

REMARKS BY THE MAJORITY LEADER

Senator Gronstal provided the following remarks:

Thank you, Madame President.

I'll start by thanking the Senate backroom staff, the Republican and Democratic staffs, the Senate doorkeepers, the Legislative Service Agency, and the pages (those here today and those who departed weeks ago).

Your dedication made it possible for us to bring the session to conclusion today. Your work is truly a service to the people of Iowa.

Legislating is about finding common ground.

This year, common ground was hard to find, especially on two issues that matter most to Iowans—the education of our children and the future of our economy.

Senate Democrats argued that, after several lean years for local schools, Iowa's improving economy makes it possible to reinvest in Iowa's next generation.

Republicans said the state of Iowa couldn't afford to do more. Next fall, there will be hundreds of fewer teachers in Iowa's local schools as a result.

That issue is not going away.

During the next several months, Iowa parents, educators, community leaders and students will make their case for doing more for education. I hope next session's results will be different.

People need to know that the prolonged stalemate over education funding is NOT how most issues are addressed at the statehouse.

Here's an example of how the Legislature works best: the "Safe at Home" program.

This is an effort to better protect victims of domestic violence by preserving their confidentiality when they are dealing with government agencies.

This idea was first proposed by Brad Anderson, the 2014 Democratic candidate for Secretary of State.

Brad's Republican opponent, Paul Pate, embraced the idea after the election and worked with Democratic and Republican legislators on legislation to enact it.

"Safe at Home" was approved by large, bipartisan majorities in the Iowa House and Senate, and then signed into law by Governor Branstad.

A good idea was proposed and Iowa's leaders worked together to make it a reality.

Here's another example: Thanks to the cooperative work by members of both chambers and the Board of Regents, the tuition freeze for Iowa students at our public universities will continue.

Finally, I want to draw attention to the agreement worked out to keep the Mental Health Institutes in Mount Pleasant and Clarinda available to serve Iowa families dealing with several mental health issues.

Two Henry County legislators — State Senator Rich Taylor, a Democrat, and State Representative David Heaton, a Republican — worked with Senator Amanda Ragan throughout the session to craft a bipartisan response to Governor Branstad's abrupt announcement that he intended to close these two important institutions, both of which serve crucial roles in our state's mental health and public safety networks.

I urge Governor Branstad to support this bipartisan compromise.

There were a number of overwhelmingly bipartisan ideas approved by the Senate which did not receive a vote in the Iowa House.

These ideas will be there next January, waiting for the House to consider them. They include:

The anti-bullying initiative: All students have a right to a safe and supportive place to learn. Iowa law currently requires schools to have anti-harassment and anti-bullying policies, help for bullied children, and the collection of data on bullying incidents.

[Senate File 345](#), which takes steps to make sure those existing protections will actually make a day-to-day difference for our students, was approved by a vote of 43 to 7. I hope it will be approved by the House early in the 2016 session.

[Senate File 447](#), approved by the Senate on a vote of 50 to 0, extends the statute of limitations on the sexual abuse of children.

If it is passed by the Iowa House and signed by the Governor, no one who sexually abuses a child in Iowa will ever have the security of knowing they got away with it.

It is shocking to think that between 2001 and 2013, Iowa drivers distracted by a phone or other device, caused more than 8,600 crashes. That's why the Senate voted 44 to 6 for [Senate File 391](#), which would make texting while driving a primary offense.

That legislation will also be on the House's calendar in 2016.

In almost every Iowa murder involving domestic violence, the victim was previously stalked by their assailant.

The Iowa Senate voted unanimously for Senate Files 395 and 416. They expand the definition of stalking to include conduct that causes reasonable people to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated or threatened.

Human trafficking is the buying and selling of human beings, most commonly for the purpose of sexual slavery, forced labor or commercial sexual exploitation.

The Senate unanimously approved [Senate File 450](#). It would make human trafficking a forcible felony, sending persons convicted of human trafficking, straight to prison. There would be no deferred judgments, no deferred sentences and no suspended sentences.

All this legislation will be there, waiting for the House to take up next session.

The Democratic and Republican members of the Senate have many reasons to be proud of our work this session, and to look forward to a productive session next year.

REMARKS BY THE MINORITY LEADER

Senator Dix provided the following remarks:

Thank You Madam President.

Colleagues of the Senate, as I reflect upon the 2015 Legislative session I must admit there are disappointments.

Serious job creation measures were neglected. This should be a top priority, yet it was ignored.

We never had constructive conversations, let alone a vote on the Senate floor, on reducing the tax burdens on all Iowans.

When this session began, many of us agreed this would be a challenging budget year. Instead of tightening our belts, we watched the state budget reach historic levels, eclipsing the 7 billion dollar mark.

I have said this before and it bears repeating – there is a financial storm on the horizon. Yet, this warning was ignored. We had an opportunity to grow and expand our economy to help be better prepared to deal with this financial storm, but Senate Democrats chose to do nothing and kick the can down the road.

In the past several weeks, we have witnessed a deadly virus devastate Iowa's poultry industry. The ag economy is not as strong as in recent years due to lagging livestock and commodity prices. This week we learned a survey conducted by Creighton University indicates the Midwest economy is weakening.

Colleagues, all of these factors impact Iowa's economy and our state budget. Yet, state spending continues to grow significantly.

When Senate Republicans stressed the importance of controlled spending, our counterparts in the Senate took this as an opportunity to politicize our calls for fiscal responsibility. Colleagues let me be clear – we cannot overpromise only to under deliver.

It was just five short years ago the severe impacts of Democrat budgeting practices were felt across Iowa. As a reminder, those reckless spending practices resulted in tens of millions of dollars in cuts and created serious financial hardships to schools, human services and every state department. Worse yet, it impacted Iowans who were saddled with property tax increases.

We can and must do even better. Iowans are counting on us to ease their burdens, not create more.

To govern is to choose. The burden of leadership is making tough choices that fly in the face of what some may want because it is the right thing to do. This legislative session we were given a choice when it came to fiscal responsibility. Senate Republicans demonstrated spending restraint because it was the right thing to do, and we held true to the vow we made on Day 1.

Legislators stressed the budget issues we faced going into this session. We used the word challenging quite often, but we did not meet the challenge. We only delayed it. As a result, when we return next January we likely will hear words such as troubling, disturbing, structural deficits and necessary cuts.

Good leadership requires vision. This vision must meet the needs of today while ensuring a structure is in place to address necessary demands in years to come. Those promises will be even harder to keep because we failed Iowans when it mattered most and such a vision was expected of us.

Senate Republicans will continue to pursue our vision to create a legacy of opportunity for every Iowan and fight to end the continued war on the Iowa taxpayer. After all, that is the government Iowans expect, the representation they deserve and the leadership they elected us to provide. Let's Make It Happen!