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The following House Files were introduced:

Anderson, P. E.; Niska; Demuth; Nash; Gillman; Davis; Jacob; Zeleznikar; Duran; Schultz; Hudson and Rarick introduced:

H. F. No. 1, A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing an Office of the Inspector General; providing powers; specifying duties; requiring a fraud reporting hotline; requiring agencies to halt payments when fraud is suspected; eliminating agency-based offices of inspector general; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.97, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 3.971, subdivisions 1, 9; 142B.53; 245A.24; 268.19, subdivision 1; 268B.30; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 15; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.321, subdivision 12; 127A.21.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Davis; Knudsen; Burkel; Rymer; Gander; Joy; Van Binsbergen; Dotseth; Duran; Anderson, P. E.; Backer; Jacob; Gillman; Zeleznikar; Schultz and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 2, A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring fraud reporting; strengthening grants management requirements; establishing a criminal penalty; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16B.97, subdivisions 2, 4; 16B.98, subdivisions 4, 5, 8; 16B.981, subdivisions 2, 3; 16B.991, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Nash and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 3, A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring the legislative auditor to submit a report to the legislature related to an agency's implementation of internal control or fiscal management recommendations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.971, by adding a subdivision; 16A.057, subdivision 5.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Johnson, W., and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 4, A bill for an act relating to taxation; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to article X; requiring that a portion of a projected budget surplus be returned to state taxpayers.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Joy, Knudsen, Gander, Van Binsbergen, Davis, Burkel, Rymer, Duran and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 5, A bill for an act relating to government finance; modifying imposition and allocation of certain taxes; requiring certain tax analysis; repealing retail delivery fee; providing an unlimited Social Security subtraction; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 174.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 270C.15; 290.0132, subdivision 26; 296A.07, subdivision 3; 296A.08, subdivision 2; 297A.94; 297A.9915, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 168E.01; 168E.03; 168E.05; 168E.07; 168E.09.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Bennett, Mueller, Bakeberg and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 6, A bill for an act relating to education; modifying the Read Act; canceling appropriations; providing for education innovation; modifying innovation zone provisions; modifying P-TECH approval process; recodifying and reorganizing education innovation; establishing an Office of Achievement and Innovation in the Department of Education; modifying equity, diversity, and inclusion appropriation; requiring the commissioner to establish a school performance report system; authorizing certain fund transfers for fiscal years 2025 through 2029; authorizing a school board to not comply with certain recently enacted state laws or rules; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120B.118; 120B.119, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; 120B.123, subdivision 7; 120B.124; 122A.091, subdivision 1; 122A.185, subdivision 1; 124D.085; 124D.093, subdivisions 3, 4; Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 5, article 2, section 52; Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 3, section 11, subdivision 2; article 12, section 17, subdivision 2, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 3, section 8, subdivisions 3, 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 120B; 127A; repealing Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 5, article 2, section 52, subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Novotny and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 7, A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing that data held by law enforcement agencies regarding the person or entity that posted bail are public; requiring notice to the agency having custody of the arrested or detained person when bail or a bond is posted; establishing mandatory minimum sentences for certain sex trafficking offenses; requiring persons subject to stays of adjudication in criminal sexual conduct cases to register as predatory offenders; requiring the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission to maintain a publicly searchable database; requiring legislative approval of proposed changes to the Sentencing Guidelines; requiring county attorneys to record and report the reason for dismissing charges; requiring the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission to report information on dismissals to the legislature; requiring county attorneys to post information on dismissals to a publicly accessible website; creating liability and vicarious liability for trespass to critical infrastructure; creating a crime for recruiting or educating individuals to trespass on or damage critical infrastructure; enhancing the penalty for assaulting a police officer; establishing the crime of fleeing in a motor vehicle and failing to obey certain traffic laws; prohibiting being in a stolen motor vehicle; increasing penalties for obstructing trunk highway, airport, or transit traffic; eliminating the requirement that a

vehicle be unoccupied when law enforcement attach a tracking device; authorizing the expanded use of tracking devices for fleeing motor vehicles; imposing criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.82, subdivision 2; 243.166, subdivision 1b; 244.09, subdivision 11, by adding subdivisions; 609.2231, subdivision 1; 609.322, subdivision 1; 609.487, by adding a subdivision; 609.52, by adding a subdivision; 609.594, subdivision 2; 609.6055, subdivision 2; 609.74; 609.855, subdivision 2; 626A.35, subdivision 2b, by adding a subdivision; 629.53; 629.67; 629.70; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 388; 604.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Heintzeman and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 8, A bill for an act relating to environment; improving efficiency of Wetland Conservation Act determinations; modifying permitting efficiency reporting requirements; improving the efficiency of the environmental and resource management permit application process; requiring the Pollution Control Agency to issue separate permits for the construction and operation of certain facilities; modifying the expedited permitting process of the Pollution Control Agency; requiring petitioners for environmental assessment worksheets to reside in the affected or adjoining counties; eliminating scoping environmental assessment worksheet requirements for projects requiring an environmental impact statement; clarifying local review; requiring modification of the state implementation plan; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 15.99, subdivision 3; 116.03, subdivision 2b; 116.07, subdivisions 4a, 4d; 116D.04, subdivisions 2a, 2b; 116J.035, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Swedzinski and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 9, A bill for an act relating to energy; modifying the hydroelectric capacity that qualifies as an eligible energy technology under the renewable energy standard; delaying the requirement for electric utilities to meet the renewable energy, solar, or carbon-free standard under certain conditions; prohibiting the demolition of fossil-fuel-powered electric generating plants under certain conditions; declaring as state policy support for the deployment of carbon capture and sequestration technologies as a means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; abolishing prohibition on issuing certificate of need for new nuclear power plant; expanding the sales tax exemption for residential heating fuels and electricity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 216B.1691, subdivisions 1, 2b; 216B.243, subdivision 3b; 297A.67, subdivision 15; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 216B; 216H.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Schultz, Niska and Davis introduced:

H. F. No. 10, A bill for an act relating to state government; prohibiting state-funded services to undocumented noncitizens; providing that undocumented noncitizens are ineligible for MinnesotaCare and the North Star Promise scholarship program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 136A.1465, subdivision 1; 256L.04, subdivision 10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Finance and Policy.

Baker, Schultz, Bakeberg and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 11, A bill for an act relating to employment; delaying the implementation of the Minnesota Paid Leave Law by one year; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 268B.02, subdivision 6; 268B.14, subdivisions 6, 7; 268B.17; 268B.18; 268B.25; 268B.26.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Scott, Robbins and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 12, A bill for an act relating to education; restricting female sports team participation to the female sex; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 121A.04, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 13, A bill for an act relating to public safety; eliminating the duty to retreat before using reasonable force in defense of self or others; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.06, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Robbins introduced:

H. F. No. 14, A bill for an act relating to transit; establishing a temporary moratorium on certain light rail transit expenditures.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Engen introduced:

H. F. No. 15, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring student and staff safety measures to be included in each school district's long-term facilities maintenance school facility plan; increasing safe schools funding; creating school security systems grants; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 123B.595, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Rymer, Zeleznikar, Van Binsbergen, Dotseth and Perryman introduced:

H. F. No. 16, A bill for an act relating to law enforcement; prohibiting immigration law enforcement noncooperation ordinances and policies; providing for use of immigration-related data; requiring county attorneys to notify federal immigration authorities when an undocumented person is arrested for a crime of violence; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13; 299A; 388.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 17, A bill for an act relating to public safety; amending the Minnesota Personal Protection Act; creating lifetime permits to carry handguns; reducing the application fee for permits to carry; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.714, subdivisions 2a, 3, 7, 14.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Engen introduced:

H. F. No. 18, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; expanding the exemption for certain baby products; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 297A.67, subdivision 9.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Kresha, Bennett, Niska, Bakeberg, Mueller, Demuth and Dippel introduced:

H. F. No. 19, A bill for an act relating to education; establishing education savings accounts; requiring rules; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 126C.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 20, A bill for an act relating to government data practices; clarifying the classification of certain data maintained by the attorney general; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.65, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Robbins and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 21, A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring supermajority approval by each house of the legislature to extend a peacetime emergency beyond 14 days; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 12.31, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Gillman introduced:

H. F. No. 22, A bill for an act relating to families; creating a parent's bill of rights; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 260C.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Robbins introduced:

H. F. No. 23, A bill for an act relating to employment; modifying whistleblower protections for public employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 181.932, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Knudsen, Van Binsbergen, Davis, Gander, Burkel, Rymer, Joy, Dotseth, Duran and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 24, A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to born alive infant provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145.423, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Zelevnikar, Knudsen and Niska introduced:

H. F. No. 25, A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a program to provide grants to women's pregnancy centers and maternity homes; reducing appropriations; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.