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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application has been received by the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Yankton, South Dakota, for a Special Events RETAIL (on-sale) Liquor License for one day, April 1, 2015, from Minervas Grill & Bar, (Janelle Wieseler, Sales & Catering Director) d/b/a Minervas Grill & Bar, NFAA, 800 Archery Lane, Yankton, South Dakota.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Public Hearing upon the application will be held on Monday, February 9th, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the City of Yankton Community Meeting Room at the Technical Education Center, 1200 West 21st Street, Yankton, South Dakota, where any person or persons interested in the approval or rejection of the above application may appear and be heard.

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Panel Requires Schools To Plan For Violent Events

BY JAMES NORD
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PIERRE — Schools in South Dakota should have safety plans in place so they're prepared to respond to violent situations like school shootings, a state senator told a legislative committee on Thursday.

The Senate Education Committee voted unanimously to approve Sen. Larry Tidemann's proposal. The Brookings Republican said some schools have established safety plans as a blueprint to react to violence, but his proposal would guarantee schools are prepared by requiring nearly all of them to have a strategy in place.

Schools have fire and tornado drills requirements, so they should also have to be prepared for an intruder with a weapon, he said. Tidemann lamented the necessity for the requirement but said it's a sign of the times.

"It's a scary thought to think we have to deal with some of these things, but I think we have to be



prepared," he said. "Hopefully it will never happen in South Dakota."

The proposal requires a safety plan to include: a designated leader and alternate ready in the event of a violent event; evacuation plans for students, teachers and staff; procedures to respond to immediate injuries in the school; and an established emergency response

team that includes local law enforcement and other emergency officials.

Tidemann also said the plan requires an aftercare team that would include mental health professionals to help students and the community cope with the violence.

Clay County Deputy Sheriff Paul Peterson, a school resource officer at

Vermillion High School, said the schools in that district have plans in place. Peterson, who serves as a liaison between law enforcement and the school, said it's rare to hear about fires or tornadoes affecting a school, but shootings are frequently in the public eye.

Tidemann's proposal also would require schools to run a lockdown drill every year. Peterson said drills make the administration more comfortable and prepared, and they also serve to show holes in a plan.

"For a fire drill, you line the kids up and you walk them out," Tidemann said. "Well you can't do that with this type of a situation."

Several schools have contacted Peterson about preparations schools in his district have made, he said.

Tidemann, in an interview, referenced a high school in Minneapolis that was closed on Wednesday because of a bomb threat.

"If it can happen in Minneapolis, it could happen in Sioux Falls," he said.

The bill would require the plans to be prepared by Aug. 1, ahead of the next school year.

S.D. House Urges U.S. Court To Admit Wrong Decision In Abortion Cases

BY BOB MERCER
State Capitol Bureau

PIERRE — The state House of Representatives overwhelmingly called upon the U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday to reassess and overturn its Roe and Casey decisions that legalized and upheld abortions nationwide.

House members — 10 for and one against — spoke for more than 40 minutes before the 60-10 vote in favor of the statement, which was made through a resolution brought by Rep. Roger Hunt, R-Brandon.

Hunt, who has been for several decades the most active advocate in the Legislature for restricting or outlawing abortion, spoke slowly and deliberately as he explained the resolution's purpose during the start of the House debate.

He said it is "intended to protect the intrinsic, the fundamental, the natural rights of



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our innocent children, (and) the pregnant women in their relationships with their innocent, unborn children."

Rep. Mike Stevens, R-Yankton, recalled other times when the U.S. Supreme Court reversed earlier positions on major issues such as slavery and segregated schools. He called Roe v. Wade a mistake.

"Powerful scientific information requires the decision to be reviewed," Stevens said. The only opponent to speak out was Rep. Peggy Gibson, D-Huron. She reminded House members that South Dakota voters twice rejected attempts to outlaw abortion during the 2000s.

"They wanted Roe versus Wade in place. They did not feel the Supreme Court made a mistake," Gibson said. That brought Rep. Lee

Schoenbeck into the argument. "I think it's important to keep those elections in context," said Schoenbeck, R-Watertown, describing the votes as over "the toughest abortion law imaginable."

Rep. Scott Craig, R-Rapid City, read from the final lines of the resolution that say the court erred and that ask the court to let states make the decisions on abortion.

"These are your words," Craig told House members. "This is by far the most significant yes vote any one of us can cast this session."

Rep. Ray Ring, D-Vermillion, supported the resolution but said he's been bothered the past three years by the debate over abortion restrictions while legislators refuse to spend more money to provide more women with access to prenatal care.

Ring described it as putting a property right — low taxes — ahead of the right to life.

The measure, House Concurrent Resolution 1004, now goes to the Senate.

Board Increases Fees For Tech Institute Students To Bond For More Projects

BY BOB MERCER
State Capitol Bureau

PIERRE — The state Board of Education voted unanimously Thursday to charge a higher facility fee for students at South Dakota's four public technical institutes this year and raise the fee again next year.

The increases call for an additional \$2 per credit hour this fall and another \$5 per credit hour in fall 2016.

The facility fee has increased annually since fall 2007 when it was \$10.50. The fee will be \$30 this fall and \$35 next fall.

The increases will raise approximately \$1,260,000 more annually when both take effect. The current \$28 fee generates approximately \$4,040,000.

The revenue estimate is based on steady enrollment of 6,000.

The new increases are to offset an additional \$18.5 million of bonding for technical labs and renovations at Western Dakota Technical Institute in Rapid City and an additional \$20 million of bonding for technical labs at Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls.

Those two rounds of bonds haven't been issued yet.

The four institutes have engaged in major building projects since 2008.

Lake Area Technical Institute at Watertown received \$11 million in 2008, \$7.75 million in 2010 and \$12.5 million in 2012.

Mitchell Technical Institute at Mitchell received \$6 million in 2008, \$10.75 million in 2010 and \$18.5 million in 2012.

Southeast received \$3 million in 2010 and Western received \$11.5 million in 2010.

The student facility fee pays for two-thirds of the debt service. State government pays the other one-third.

The steady climb of the fee amount clearly concerned some members of the state board.

"How much can the market bear before it starts affecting?" member Terry Sabers of Mitchell asked.

Board president Don Kirkegaard of Sturgis said he hopes \$35 remains the maximum.

But no one drew an absolute line.

"Nobody wants to increase fees a second time if we do it today," Kirkegaard said.

He later added, "We're pushing the envelope as far as we can push it for fees."

Property Tax Measure Benefits Renters

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Renters and some homeowners could end up saving money under a proposed income tax credit in the Nebraska Legislature.

Sen. Kate Bolz of Lincoln presented the bill to a legislative committee Thursday as part of the ongoing debate over property taxes.

The measure would create an income tax credit that residents could claim once their property tax bill reaches a certain percentage of their income. Renters could also claim the credit based on a percentage of their rent.

Renee Fry of the OpenSky Policy Institute, which supports the bill, says most of the tax reductions would go to low- and middle-income residents.

Mark Intermill, a lobbyist for AARP Nebraska, says the bill provides additional cash to those who need it most to cover basic necessities.

The bill is LB186.

2nd Measles Case Confirmed In Neb.

FREMONT, Neb. (AP) — Health officials have confirmed a second case of measles in a child residing in eastern Nebraska.

The Three Rivers Health Department, along with the Douglas County Health Department, issued a news release Thursday announcing the case. The confirmation comes after officials last week announced a woman who spent time in Omaha and Blair had been diagnosed with measles.

Officials say the child visited a childcare center and a restaurant in Blair when he or she could have infected others.

Measles is a highly contagious viral illness that spreads through the air through breathing, coughing or sneezing. Officials say any person exposed to it who has not been vaccinated is likely to contract the disease.

Officials have urged anyone who may have been in the patient's vicinity to check vaccine records.

Reicketts Stands By Ag. Reappointment

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts says he stands by his decision to reappoint the state's agriculture director despite protests from animal welfare groups that want him removed.

Ricketts said Thursday that he thinks Department of Agriculture director Greg Ibach will continue to improve his agency's policies for enforcing animal neglect penalties.

Ibach's legislative reappointment hearing on Tuesday was marked by protests from animal welfare activists who said the department wasn't doing enough to enforce humane regulations in commercial breeding facilities. A petition on the website change.org called for citizens and senators to block his reappointment.

Ricketts pointed to the positive testimony on Ibach's working relationships with the Nebraska Farm Bureau and the Nebraska Humane Society.

The governor says new regulations to address the protesters' concerns are currently under review.

Marriage Fee Proposal Waits For Vote

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A proposal to raise the cost of marriage licenses issued by Nebraska counties has yet to reach a vote in the Legislature.

The bill continued to face opposition Thursday from Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha, who has promised to prolong the debate until the measure is withdrawn. Lawmakers adjourned for the day without voting on the bill.

Opponents say the proposed increase from \$15 to \$50 amounts to a tax increase of more than 300 percent for couples getting hitched.

Sen. Kathy Campbell of Lincoln has said the current \$15 fee doesn't cover the cost of collecting and filing marriage licenses. The new fee was proposed by the Nebraska Association of County Officials, which notes that the fee hasn't been changed in 20 years.

The bill is LB88.

Nebraska

Power Board Delays Vote On CEO Amid Concerns About Secret Selection Process

BY JOSH FUNK
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — The Omaha Public Power District board identified its choice for the utility's next CEO on Thursday but delayed action while the *Omaha World-Herald* considers challenging the legality of the secret selection process.

The board said it wants to promote OPPD Vice President Tim Burke to replace retiring Gary Gates, but a vote won't happen until their Feb. 12 board meeting.

Board President Anne McGuire said she feels confident the utility's search complied with state laws on open meetings and public records, and it led to the best candidate. "We want to take the extra time to satisfy any concerns the public may have," McGuire said.

The newspaper has said it might file a lawsuit because the utility refuses to disclose the four finalists. The newspaper also objects to the fact that finalists were interviewed privately by groups of four OPPD board members to ensure public meetings wouldn't be required.

Several members of the public also criticized the board at Thursday's meeting. University of Nebraska at Omaha professor David Corbin said OPPD's customers should have

had an opportunity to give input on the finalists.

"You've left the public out of public power. I'm extremely disappointed," Corbin said.

Board member Tim Gay said the utility relied on advice from lawyers and a search consultant when it decided to keep the search private in the hope of attracting the best candidates. Gay said the board might not choose to follow the same path with future openings, but doesn't see any reason to doubt this choice.

"Just because we can do that legally maybe doesn't mean we should," Gay said. "But we've come down the road and we have a great candidate."

Board member Michael Cavanaugh was blunt in his defense of the board's hiring practices.

"We're elected to run this board," Cavanaugh said. "We're doing the best job we can."

OPPD serves more than 360,000 customers in 13 counties in southeast Nebraska. Burke has worked for the utility since 1997 overseeing customer service, communications and regulatory affairs.

The utility is in the early stages of a multiyear plan to comply with new stricter emissions rules, with plans to convert some of its coal power plants to natural gas, add more wind power and encourage customers to conserve electricity.

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