

On motion, the report of the committee of the whole, except as to H. F. No. 387
Was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSMENT.

Mr. Buckman reports that he has compared
H. F. Nos. 372, 223, 185, 61, 470, 327, 369, 346, 355, 432, 378 and 268.

Also, S. F. Nos. 72, 159, 493, 464, 291, 403, 412, 370, 331, 311, 349, 53, 129, 460 and 64,

And finds the same correctly engrossed.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications were received from His Excellency, the Governor:

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
St. PAUL, February 22, 1881. }

HON. LOREN FLETCHER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

SIR:—I herewith return H. F. No. 256, an act to amend section 9 of chapter 100 of the General Statutes of 1878.

This amendment changes the punishment for the crime of keeping a house of ill-fame.

The act, while permitting an increased fine, actually prohibits the prosecution of all offenders under the State laws.

The provisions of section 1 of this amendment provides that no person convicted of the offence of keeping a house of ill-fame, under the ordinances of any municipal corporation shall be punished for the same offence under the act. The practical operation of this provision, will be to license and foster houses of prostitution so long as municipalities practically license the keeping of such houses by receiving monthly a certain fixed sum or fine for the violation of the original law.

For these and other reasons I withhold my approval of this amendment.

Very respectfully,

J. S. PILLSBURY,

Governor.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
St. PAUL, Feb. 21, 1881. }

HON. LOREN FLETCHER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

SIR:—I have approved and signed the following House Files, and have deposited the same in the office of the Secretary of State:

H. F. No. 297, An act relating to the government of free schools in the city of Anoka.

H. F. No. 96, An act to amend section 1 of chapter 83 of the laws of 1878, relating to town insurance companies.

H. F. No. 330, An act to restrain the running at large of cattle in Clay county.