54th Day] Tuesday, March 20, 1917.

Mr. Harrison, H. H., moved as an amendment that the Minority Report be rejected.

Which motion prevailed.

The report of the Committee was then adopted.

APPOINTMENTS.

The Speaker made the following appointment of Conference Committee on S. F. No. 609: Messrs. Indrehus, Swenson, Larson, Hompe and Warner.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

St. Paul, March 20,1917.

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Hon. R. J. Parker,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I have the honor to return herewith, without my approval,

H. F. No. 839, A bill for an act to provide for the retirement of Judges of the District Court, where such Judges have attained the age of seventy-five years and have been in twenty-five years continuous service, in districts consisting of but one county, and having a population of not less than two hundred thousand, and not more than three hundred and twenty-five thousand inhabitants.

The grounds for doing so are stated in the letters, copies of which are hereto attached.

Very truly yours,

J. A. A. Burnquist, Governor.

March 19, 1917.

Hon. Lyndon A. Smith, Attorney General.

Dear Sir: Hereto attached is H. F. No. 839, entitled "A bill for an act to provide for the retirement of judges of district court when such judges have attained the age of 75 years and have been in 25 years' continuous service in districts consisting of one county and having a population of not less than 200,000 and not more than 325,000 inhabitants."

The constitutionality of this proposed measure appears to me to be very doubtful. If its constitutionality is not certain no judge can be expected to resign under it or if, after the resignation of a