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### Legislative Update

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Hello from St. Paul!

On Tuesday, the House unanimously passed a bill that has come to be known as Kyles Law. The bill requires schools to notify parents of any allegations of child abuse within 10 days.

The bill is a solution to a problem brought to light by the case of Kyle Herman. Kyle has Down syndrome and was the victim of abuse at the hands of a teacher. Since he was unable to communicate the problem to his parents they were kept in the dark for more than two years. The school never told them of the investigation or abuse allegations! It amazes me this wasn't a law already. This bill is a big step towards better protecting children and empowering parents.



Last Monday, the House successfully passed the Omnibus jobs bill designed to promote job growth in the state. The bill, among other things, creates a 25 percent Angel Investor tax credit to encourage investment in area start-up small businesses. It also increases the research and development tax credit and expands it to include small businesses to encourage them to come up with new products and ideas.

This bill takes great strides towards creating opportunity to grow the private sector job market. By providing investment incentives we are promoting policies for long-term economic viability and private sector development. These initiatives will help create jobs in Apple Valley and Burnsville and keep them here. I've said many times we must create a more business-friendly environment in the state, and this bill is a step in the right direction.

As the tax deadline quickly approaches (April 15th, dont forget!) personal finances are at the front of everyones mind. To avoid identity theft it is a good idea to review your credit report annually. Many sites will advertise free credits reports, but they are not actually free. I wanted to pass along a link you might find helpful. This site allows you one credit report every year at no charge with no gimmicks or strings attached.

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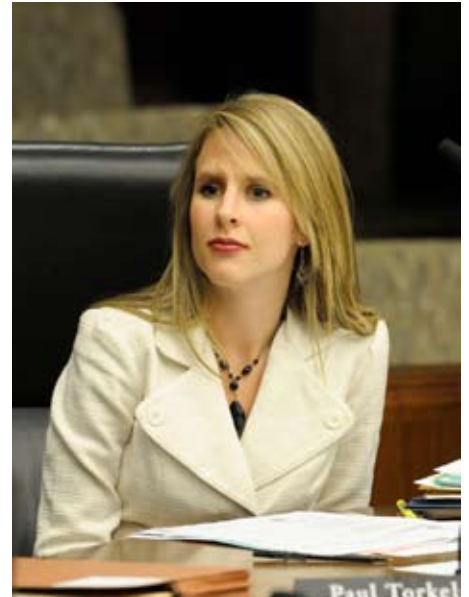
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I hope you have a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather this weekend. If you have a chance, stop by the Apple Valley Home and Garden show on Saturday going on from 9 am to 3 pm at the Apple Valley Government Center. One other great activity this weekend that I look forward to attending is the Apple Valley Arts Foundation event going on at AVHS on Sunday from noon until 6 pm. There will be performances, displays and local businesses represented. It will be a great time to learn about local art projects and opportunities. Hope to see you there!

Please continue to call and e-mail with your thoughts on the issues we face. You can also connect to me on Facebook.

Sincerely,

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