

RUKAVINA, LAWMAKERS TO TOUR CAMPUSES

ST. PAUL — State Rep. Tom Rukavina, along with area state legislators, will tour a dozen colleges and universities in northeast and north central Minnesota from Monday to Wednesday to discuss the impact of Governor Tim Pawlenty's unallotment on higher education institutions in Minnesota.

The tour will include stops at the University of Minnesota Duluth, Bemidji State University, Central Lakes in Brainerd, and several other MnSCU campuses.

Rukavina, who chairs the House Higher Education and Workforce Development committee, plans on meeting with students, faculty and administrators at each campus to get feedback about the impact of the governor's \$100 million unallotment cut to the University of Minnesota and MnSCU system and to discuss the unique challenges facing campuses in Greater Minnesota.

Earlier this summer, Rukavina toured a dozen schools in southeast and south

central Minnesota.

Rukavina campus tour begins Monday at the Lake Superior College, 2101 Trinity Road, Duluth, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; the College of Saint Scholastica, 1200 Kenwood Ave., Duluth, from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; the University of Minnesota Duluth, Grigg Center, 1049 University Drive, Duluth, from 12 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.; and the Mesabi Range Community and Technical College, 1100 Industrial Drive, Eveleth, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, Rukavina will visit Hibbing Community College, 1515 E 25th St, Hibbing, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.; the Natural Resources Research Institute, Mineral Research Laboratory, One Gayley Ave, Coleraine, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.; Itasca Community College, 1851 East Highway 169, Grand Rapids, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; the Northwest Technical College, Bemidji and Bemidji State University

On Wednesday, he visits the Central Lakes College, Staples; Central Lakes College, Brainerd; and Fond du Lac Community College, Cloquet, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

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