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Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka, R-Nisswa, Gov. Mark Dayton, and House Speaker Kurt Daudt, R-Crown, appear happy together at the annual pre-session briefing hosted by Forum News Service on Feb. 13. (File photo: Kevin Featherly)

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Senate File 3154 (Sen. Jeremy Miller, R-Winona): Approves employee contracts for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; the Minnesota Association of Professional Employees; the Middle Management Association; and other state-employee unions. Signed into law March 27.

House File 3158 (Rep. Dario Anselmo, R-Edina): Changes licensing requirements for Minnesota mortgage loan originators. Signed into law on April 25.

House File 2764 (Rep. Dennis Smith, R-Maple Grove): Modernizes and makes technical changes to business organization laws relating to corporate domestication and conversions, nonprofit and limited liability companies, and both partnerships and limited partnerships. This bill was a priority of the Minnesota State Bar Association for 2018. Signed into law on April 25.

House File 3157 (Rep. Steve Green, R-Fosston): Creates a petty misdemeanor charge for anyone who, on a first offense, misrepresents an animal as a service animal; a second offense is a misdemeanor. The bill allows conspicuous signs to be posted in places of public accommodation warning that it is illegal to pass a fake service animal off as the real thing. Signed into law on April 26.