

Sec. 2. The effective date of this act shall be January 1, 1963.

Approved April 14, 1961.

CHAPTER 334—H. F. No. 447

An act relating to merit plan for county welfare board employees; transferring thereto certain such employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 393.07, Subdivision 5.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 393.07, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Compliance with federal social security act; merit system. The commissioner of public welfare shall have authority to require such methods of administration as are necessary for compliance with requirements of the federal social security act, as amended, and for the proper and efficient operation of all welfare programs. This authority to require methods of administration includes methods relating to the establishment and maintenance of personnel standards on a merit basis as concerns all employees of county welfare boards except those employed in an institution, sanatorium, or hospital. The commissioner of public welfare shall exercise no authority with respect to the selection, tenure of office, and compensation of any individual employed in accordance with such methods. The adoption of methods relating to the establishment and maintenance of personnel standards on a merit basis of all such employees of the county welfare boards and the examination thereof, and the administration thereof shall be directed and controlled exclusively by the commissioner of public welfare.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, every employee of every county welfare board who occupies a position which requires as prerequisite to eligibility therefor graduation from an accredited four year college or a certificate of registration as a registered nurse under Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 148.231, must be employed in such position under the merit system established under authority of this subdivision. Every such employee now employed by a county welfare board and who is not under said merit system is transferred, as of the effective date of

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this act to a position of comparable classification in the merit system with the same status therein as he had in the county of his employment prior thereto and every such employee shall be subject to and have the benefit of the merit system, including seniority within the welfare board, as though he had served thereunder from the date of his entry into the service of the welfare board.

Sec. 2. *The effective date of this act shall be January 1, 1962.*

Approved April 14, 1961.

CHAPTER 335—H. F. No. 461

An act relating to county nursing homes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 376.61.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 376.61, is amended to read:

376.61 Persons admissible. ~~No feebleminded girl or woman under the age of 45 years shall be kept in, placed, or received in any county nursing home. No male under the age of 17 years or female under the age of 18 years shall be kept in such home. No male under the age of 17 years or female under the age of 18 years shall be kept in a county nursing home.~~ No person shall be required to become an inmate of any county nursing home as a condition, wholly or in part, of any public assistance grant.

Approved April 14, 1961.

CHAPTER 336—H. F. No. 712

An act relating to royalties for the mining of minerals and other materials under public waters; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 93.08, Subdivision 2.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 93.08, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Scope of regulations.** It shall be provided in such regulations, among other things:

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