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:

Changes or additions indicated by *italics*, deletions by strikeout.

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