

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 121.04, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **EDUCATION; STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; ATTENDANCE AT CERTAIN MEETINGS.** The state board may become a member of associated state boards of education and ~~appoint not more than two of~~ permit its members to attend its meetings. The amount of annual membership dues in such association and actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending such meetings shall be paid as other expenses of the state board are paid.

Approved June 3, 1971.

CHAPTER 680—S.F.No.2263

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to insurance; regulating the terms of accident and health policies; regulating the terms of medical service plans; regulating the terms of hospital service plan contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 62A, by adding a section; Section 159.10; and Chapter 309, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 62A, is amended by adding a section to read:

[62A.041] INSURANCE; HEALTH POLICIES AND PLANS; MATERNITY BENEFITS TO UNMARRIED WOMEN. Each group policy of accident and health insurance issued or renewed after the effective date of this act shall provide the same coverage for maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents that it provides to married women including the wives of employees choosing dependent family coverage. Each group policy shall also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage. Any group policyholder contracting for a policy may request that the coverage required by this section be omitted.

Each individual policy of accident and health insurance may provide the same coverage for maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married

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women. Each individual policy may also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 159.10, is amended to read:

159.10 CLASSES OF SERVICE. Every nonprofit medical service plan corporation may, as determined by its board of directors, or as provided in its articles of incorporation or bylaws, limit the benefits that it will provide, and may divide such benefits as it determines to provide, into various classifications, including general and special medical, surgical and dental care benefits and such services and supplies as may be incidental to such medical, surgical and dental care.

Any group medical service plan contract delivered or issued for delivery or renewed in this state after the effective date of this act shall provide the same coverage for maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married women. Each group contract shall also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage. Any group contracting for a group medical service plan contract may request that the coverage required by this section be omitted.

An individual medical service plan contract delivered or issued for delivery in this state may provide the same coverage for maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married women. Each individual contract may also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 309, is amended by adding a section to read:

[309.176] MATERNITY BENEFITS TO UNMARRIED WOMEN. Any group hospital service plan contract delivered or issued for delivery or renewed in this state after the effective date of this act shall provide the same coverage for maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married women. Each contract shall also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage. Any group contracting for a group hospital service plan contract may request that the coverage required by this section be omitted.

An individual hospital service plan contract delivered or issued for delivery in this state may provide the same coverage for

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maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married women. Each individual contract may also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage.

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CHAPTER 681—S.F.No.2475

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to welfare; providing for prompt payment of public assistance when there is a question as to the county of financial responsibility for such assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 245.29, Subdivision 3; 256.20, Subdivision 2; 256.54, by adding a subdivision; and 256.76, Subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.19, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 245.29, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. PUBLIC WELFARE; PAYMENTS PENDING RESIDENCY DETERMINATION; PROCEDURE WHEN COUNTY OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IS IN QUESTION. ~~If upon the investigation provided for in subdivision 2 the county agency shall decide~~ decides that the application was not filed in the county of applicant's residence as defined by section 245.28, ~~but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall transfer the application and all records of its investigation, together with a copy of its decision, to the county agency of the county which it has decided is the county of the applicant's residence. Thereupon the county agency of that county shall proceed in the same manner as though the application had been originally filed with it. If the county agency to which the application is transferred, after such investigation as it deems proper, which shall be promptly made, decides that the county of which it is the agency is not the county of the applicant's residence, it shall, while providing assistance to the applicant, in accordance with subdivision 2, transmit the original a copy of the application, and all other matters transmitted to it by the first county, together with the record of any investigation made by it and a copy of its decision, to the state agency, and to the agency of the county which it has decided is the county of the applicant's~~

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