Presented to the governor March 28, 1990

Signed by the governor March 29, 1990, 10:32 p.m.

CHAPTER 377—H.F.No. 2062

An act relating to public employment; repealing the exclusion of graduate assistants from coverage under the public employment labor relations act; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 179A.03, subdivision 14.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 179A.03, subdivision 14, is amended to read:
- Subd. 14. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.** "Public employee" or "employee" means any person appointed or employed by a public employer except:
 - (a) elected public officials;
 - (b) election officers;
 - (c) commissioned or enlisted personnel of the Minnesota national guard;
- (d) emergency employees who are employed for emergency work caused by natural disaster:
- (e) part-time employees whose service does not exceed the lesser of 14 hours per week or 35 percent of the normal work week in the employee's appropriate unit;
- (f) employees whose positions are basically temporary or seasonal in character and: (1) are not for more than 67 working days in any calendar year; or (2) are not for more than 100 working days in any calendar year and the employees are under the age of 22, are full-time students enrolled in a nonprofit or public educational institution prior to being hired by the employer, and have indicated, either in an application for employment or by being enrolled at an educational institution for the next academic year or term, an intention to continue as students during or after their temporary employment;
- (g) employees providing services for not more than two consecutive quarters to the state university board or the community college board under the terms of a professional or technical services contract as defined in section 16B.17, subdivision 1;
- (h) graduate assistants employed by the school in which they are enrolled in a graduate degree program:

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- (i) employees of charitable hospitals as defined by section 179.35, subdivision 3;
- (i) (ii) full-time undergraduate students employed by the school which they attend under a work study program or in connection with the receipt of financial aid, irrespective of number of hours of service per week;
- (k) (j) an individual who is employed for less than 300 hours in a fiscal year as an instructor in an adult vocational education program:
- (1) (k) an individual hired by a school district, the community college board, or the state university board, to teach one course for up to four credits for one quarter in a year.

The following individuals are "public employees" regardless of the exclusions of clauses (e) and (f):

An employee hired by a school district, the community college board, or the state university board, except at the university established in section 136.017 or for community services or community education instruction offered on a noncredit basis: (1) to replace an absent teacher or faculty member who is a public employee, where the replacement employee is employed more than 30 working days as a replacement for that teacher or faculty member; or (2) to take a teaching position created due to increased enrollment, curriculum expansion, courses which are a part of the curriculum whether offered annually or not, or other appropriate reasons.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor March 28, 1990

Signed by the governor March 30, 1990, 7:04 p.m.

CHAPTER 378—H.F.No. 2045

An act relating to human services; clarifying the definition of mentally retarded person in the Minnesota Commitment Act; increasing the time limit for a court of appeals decision under the commitment act; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, sections 253B.02, subdivision 14; 253B.12, subdivision 4; and 253B.23, subdivision 7.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 253B.02, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

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