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head or heads appointed by the board for that purpose. Each appointed department head shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The board may reorganize, consolidate, reallocate, or delegate the duties to promote efficiency in county government. It may make other administrative changes, including abolishing the offices of auditor, recorder, and treasurer. A reorganization, reallocation, or delegation or other administrative change or transfer shall not diminish, prohibit, or avoid the discharge of duties required by statute.

Sec. 3. SCHEDULE.

Persons elected at the November 1990 general election to the positions of auditor, recorder, and treasurer shall serve in those capacities and perform the duties, functions, and responsibilities required by statute, until the completion of the term of office to which each was elected, or until a vacancy occurs in the office, whichever occurs earlier.

Sec. 4. REFERENDUM.

The county board, before action as permitted by section 2 and before any appointment as permitted by section 1 or 2, but after adopting a resolution permitted by section 1 or 2, shall publish the resolution once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official publication of the county. The resolution may be implemented without the submission of the question to the voters of the county, unless within 21 days after the second publication of the resolution a petition requesting a referendum, signed by at least ten percent of the registered voters of the county, is filed with the county auditor. If a petition is filed, the resolution may be implemented unless disapproved by a majority of the voters of the county voting on the question at a regular or special election.

Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act takes effect the day after the filing of a certificate of local approval by the Blue Earth county board in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor April 10, 1990

Signed by the governor April 12, 1990, 10:59 a.m.

CHAPTER 432—S.F.No. 1726

An act relating to child care funding; authorizing the commissioner of human services to promulgate rules directing county boards to establish certain payment policies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1989 Supplement, section 256H.02.

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

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1989 Supplement, section 256H.02, is amended to read:

256H.02 DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER.

The commissioner shall develop standards for county and human services boards to provide child care services to enable eligible families to participate in employment, training, or education programs. Within the limits of available appropriations, the commissioner shall distribute money to counties to reduce the costs of child care for eligible families. The commissioner shall adopt rules to govern the program in accordance with this section. The rules must establish a sliding schedule of fees for parents receiving child care services. In the rules adopted under this section, county and human services boards shall be authorized to establish policies for payment of child care spaces for absent children, when the payment is required by the child's regular provider. The rules shall not set a maximum number of days for which absence payments can be made, but instead shall direct the county agency to set limits and pay for absences according to the prevailing market practice in the county. County policies for payment of absences shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner. The commissioner shall maximize the use of federal money under the AFDC employment special needs program in section 256.736, subdivision 8, and other programs that provide federal reimbursement for child care services for recipients of aid to families with dependent children who are in education, training, job search, or other activities allowed under those programs. Money appropriated under this section must be coordinated with the AFDC employment special needs program and other programs that provide federal reimbursement for child care services to accomplish this purpose. Federal reimbursement obtained must be allocated to the county that spent money for child care that is federally reimbursable under the AFDC employment special needs program or other programs that provide federal reimbursement for child care services. The counties shall use the federal money to expand services to AFDC recipients.

Presented to the governor April 12, 1990

Signed by the governor April 16, 1990, 4:11 p.m.

CHAPTER 433—S.F.No. 1980

An act relating to local government; requiring additional notice of various vacation proceedings; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 368.01, subdivision 25; and Minnesota Statutes 1989 Supplement, section 412.851.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 368.01, subdivision 25, is amended to read:

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