- Subd. 2. **PENALTIES.** Any person who violates section 144.414 or 144.4165 is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 144.417, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. INJUNCTION. The state commissioner of health, a board of health as defined in section 145A.02, subdivision 2, or any affected party may institute an action in any court with jurisdiction to enjoin repeated violations of section 144.416 or 144.4165.

Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 and 3 to 5 are effective August 15, 1993.

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CHAPTER 577—S.F.No. 1693

An act relating to crimes; providing that certain health care providers who administer medications to relieve another person's pain do not violate the law making it a crime to aid or attempt aiding suicide; authorizing certain licensure disciplinary options against physicians, physician assistants, nurses, dentists, and pharmacists who are convicted of aiding or attempting to aid suicide; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 147.091, subdivision 1; 148.261, subdivision 1; 150A.08, subdivision 1; 151.06, subdivision 1; and 609.215, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 147.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 147.091, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **GROUNDS LISTED.** The board may refuse to grant a license or may impose disciplinary action as described in section 147.141 against any physician. The following conduct is prohibited and is grounds for disciplinary action:

- (a) Failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license contained in this chapter or rules of the board. The burden of proof shall be upon the applicant to demonstrate such qualifications or satisfaction of such requirements.
- (b) Obtaining a license by fraud or cheating, or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct which subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to: (1) conduct

which violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination; (2) conduct which violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or (3) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf.

- (c) Conviction, during the previous five years, of a felony reasonably related to the practice of medicine or osteopathy. Conviction as used in this subdivision shall include a conviction of an offense which if committed in this state would be deemed a felony without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered thereon.
- (d) Revocation, suspension, restriction, limitation, or other disciplinary action against the person's medical license in another state or jurisdiction, failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's license have been brought in another state or jurisdiction, or having been refused a license by any other state or jurisdiction.
- (e) Advertising which is false or misleading, which violates any rule of the board, or which claims without substantiation the positive cure of any disease, or professional superiority to or greater skill than that possessed by another physician.
- (f) Violating a rule promulgated by the board or an order of the board, a state, or federal law which relates to the practice of medicine, or in part regulates the practice of medicine including without limitation sections 148A.02, 609.344, and 609.345, or a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law.
- (g) Engaging in any unethical conduct; conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare or safety of a patient; or medical practice which is professionally incompetent, in that it may create unnecessary danger to any patient's life, health, or safety, in any of which cases, proof of actual injury need not be established.
- (h) Failure to supervise a physician's assistant or failure to supervise a physician under any agreement with the board.
- (i) Aiding or abetting an unlicensed person in the practice of medicine, except that it is not a violation of this paragraph for a physician to employ, supervise, or delegate functions to a qualified person who may or may not be required to obtain a license or registration to provide health services if that person is practicing within the scope of that person's license or registration or delegated authority.

- (j) Adjudication as mentally incompetent, mentally ill or mentally retarded, or as a chemically dependent person, a person dangerous to the public, or a person who has a psychopathic personality by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state. Such adjudication shall automatically suspend a license for the duration thereof unless the board orders otherwise.
- (k) Engaging in unprofessional conduct. Unprofessional conduct shall include any departure from or the failure to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in which proceeding actual injury to a patient need not be established.
- (1) Inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals or any other type of material or as a result of any mental or physical condition, including deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills.
- (m) Revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law.
- (n) Failure by a doctor of osteopathy to identify the school of healing in the professional use of the doctor's name by one of the following terms: osteopathic physician and surgeon, doctor of osteopathy, or D.O.
- (o) Improper management of medical records, including failure to maintain adequate medical records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to section 144.335 or to furnish a medical record or report required by law.
 - (p) Fee splitting, including without limitation:
- (1) paying, offering to pay, receiving, or agreeing to receive, a commission, rebate, or remuneration, directly or indirectly, primarily for the referral of patients or the prescription of drugs or devices;
- (2) dividing fees with another physician or a professional corporation, unless the division is in proportion to the services provided and the responsibility assumed by each professional and the physician has disclosed the terms of the division:
- (3) referring a patient to any health care provider as defined in section 144.335 in which the referring physician has a significant financial interest unless the physician has disclosed the physician's own financial interest; and
- (4) dispensing for profit any drug or device, unless the physician has disclosed the physician's own profit interest.

The physician must make the disclosures required in this clause in advance and in writing to the patient and must include in the disclosure a statement that the patient is free to choose a different health care provider. This clause does not apply to the distribution of revenues from a partnership, group practice, non-profit corporation, or professional corporation to its partners, shareholders,

members, or employees if the revenues consist only of fees for services performed by the physician or under a physician's direct supervision, or to the division or distribution of prepaid or capitated health care premiums, or fee-for-service withhold amounts paid under contracts established under other state law.

- (q) Engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of the federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws.
 - (r) Becoming addicted or habituated to a drug or intoxicant.
- (s) Prescribing a drug or device for other than medically accepted therapeutic or experimental or investigative purposes authorized by a state or federal agency or referring a patient to any health care provider as defined in section 144.335 for services or tests not medically indicated at the time of referral.
- (t) Engaging in conduct with a patient which is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior which is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient.
- (u) Failure to make reports as required by section 147.111 or to cooperate with an investigation of the board as required by section 147.131.
- (v) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:
- (1) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (2) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;
- (3) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or
- (4) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.
- Sec. 2. [147.36] PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT; DISCIPLINARY OPTIONS FOR AIDING OR ATTEMPTING TO AID SUICIDE.

The board of medical examiners shall refuse to grant or renew a registration, or shall suspend or revoke a registration, or use any reasonable lesser remedy against a physician assistant if the assistant aids suicide or aids attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:

- (1) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (2) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;

- (3) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or
- (4) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 148.261, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **GROUNDS LISTED.** The board shall have power to deny, revoke, suspend, limit, or condition the license and registration of any person to practice professional or practical nursing pursuant to sections 148.171 to 148.285, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or applicant as described in section 148.262. The following are grounds for disciplinary action:
- (1) Failure to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfy the requirements for a license contained in section 148.171 to 148.285 or rules of the board. In the case of a person applying for a license, the burden of proof is upon the applicant to demonstrate the qualifications or satisfaction of the requirements.
- (2) Employing fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a permit, license, or registration certificate to practice professional or practical nursing or attempting to subvert the licensing examination process. Conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert the licensing examination process includes, but is not limited to:
- (i) conduct that violates the security of the examination materials, such as removing examination materials from the examination room or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current, or previously administered licensing examination;
- (ii) conduct that violates the standard of test administration, such as communicating with another examinee during administration of the examination, copying another examinee's answers, permitting another examinee to copy one's answers, or possessing unauthorized materials; or
- (iii) impersonating an examinee or permitting an impersonator to take the examination on one's own behalf.
- (3) Conviction during the previous five years of a felony or gross misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of professional or practical nursing. Conviction as used in this subdivision shall include a conviction of an offense that if committed in this state would be considered a felony or gross misdemeanor without regard to its designation elsewhere, or a criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or not entered.
- (4) Revocation, suspension, limitation, conditioning, or other disciplinary action against the person's professional or practical nursing license in another

state, territory, or country; failure to report to the board that charges regarding the person's nursing license are pending in another state, territory, or country; or having been refused a license by another state, territory, or country.

- (5) Failure to or inability to perform professional or practical nursing as defined in section 148.171, paragraph (3) or (5), with reasonable skill and safety, including failure of a registered nurse to supervise or a licensed practical nurse to monitor adequately the performance of acts by any person working at the nurse's direction.
- (6) Engaging in unprofessional conduct including, but not limited to, a departure from or failure to conform to board rules of professional or practical nursing practice that interpret the statutory definition of professional or practical nursing as well as provide criteria for violations of the statutes, or, if no rule exists, to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing professional or practical nursing practice, or any nursing practice that may create unnecessary danger to a patient's life, health, or safety. Actual injury to a patient need not be established under this clause.
- (7) Delegating or accepting the delegation of a nursing function or a prescribed health care function when the delegation or acceptance could reasonably be expected to result in unsafe or ineffective patient care.
- (8) Actual or potential inability to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other material, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.
- (9) Adjudication as mentally incompetent, mentally ill, a chemically dependent person, or a person dangerous to the public by a court of competent jurisdiction, within or without this state.
- (10) Engaging in any unethical conduct including, but not limited to, conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, or demonstrating a willful or careless disregard for the health, welfare, or safety of a patient. Actual injury need not be established under this clause
- (11) Engaging in conduct with a patient that is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual, or in any verbal behavior that is seductive or sexually demeaning to a patient, or engaging in sexual exploitation of a patient or former patient.
- (12) Obtaining money, property, or services from a patient, other than reasonable fees for services provided to the patient, through the use of undue influence, harassment, duress, deception, or fraud.
- (13) Revealing a privileged communication from or relating to a patient except when otherwise required or permitted by law.
- (14) Engaging in abusive or fraudulent billing practices, including violations of federal Medicare and Medicaid laws or state medical assistance laws.

- (15) Improper management of patient records, including failure to maintain adequate patient records, to comply with a patient's request made pursuant to section 144.335, or to furnish a patient record or report required by law.
- (16) Knowingly aiding, assisting, advising, or allowing an unlicensed person to engage in the unlawful practice of professional or practical nursing.
- (17) Violating a rule adopted by the board, an order of the board, or a state or federal law relating to the practice of professional or practical nursing, or a state or federal narcotics or controlled substance law.
- (18) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:
- (i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;
- (iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or
- (iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.
- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 150A.08, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- Subdivision 1. **GROUNDS.** The board may refuse or by order suspend or revoke, limit or modify by imposing conditions it deems necessary, any license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene or the registration of any dental assistant upon any of the following grounds:
- (1) Fraud or deception in connection with the practice of dentistry or the securing of a license or annual registration certificate;
- (2) Conviction, including a finding or verdict of guilt, an admission of guilt, or a no contest plea, in any court of a felony or gross misdemeanor reasonably related to the practice of dentistry as evidenced by a certified copy of the conviction;
- (3) Conviction, including a finding or verdict of guilt, an admission of guilt, or a no contest plea, in any court of an offense involving moral turpitude as evidenced by a certified copy of the conviction;
 - (4) Habitual overindulgence in the use of intoxicating liquors;
- (5) Improper or unauthorized prescription, dispensing, administering, or personal or other use of any legend drug as defined in chapter 151, of any chemi-

cal as defined in chapter 151, or of any controlled substance as defined in chapter 152;

- (6) Conduct unbecoming a person licensed to practice dentistry or dental hygiene or registered as a dental assistant, or conduct contrary to the best interest of the public, as such conduct is defined by the rules of the board;
 - (7) Gross immorality;
- (8) Any physical, mental, emotional, or other disability which adversely affects a dentist's, dental hygienist's, or registered dental assistant's ability to perform the service for which the person is licensed or registered;
- (9) Revocation or suspension of a license, registration, or equivalent authority to practice, or other disciplinary action or denial of a license or registration application taken by a licensing, registering, or credentialing authority of another state, territory, or country as evidenced by a certified copy of the licensing authority's order, if the disciplinary action or application denial was based on facts that would provide a basis for disciplinary action under this chapter and if the action was taken only after affording the credentialed person or applicant notice and opportunity to refute the allegations or pursuant to stipulation or other agreement;
- (10) Failure to maintain adequate safety and sanitary conditions for a dental office in accordance with the standards established by the rules of the board;
- (11) Employing, assisting, or enabling in any manner an unlicensed person to practice dentistry;
- (12) Failure or refusal to attend, testify, and produce records as directed by the board under subdivision 7; or
- (13) Violation of, or failure to comply with, any other provisions of sections 150A.01 to 150A.12, the rules of the board of dentistry, or any disciplinary order issued by the board or for any other just cause related to the practice of dentistry. Suspension, revocation, modification or limitation of any license shall not be based upon any judgment as to therapeutic or monetary value of any individual drug prescribed or any individual treatment rendered, but only upon a repeated pattern of conduct. or
- (14) Aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:
- (i) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (ii) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;
- (iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or

- (iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 151.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. (a) POWERS AND DUTIES. The board of pharmacy shall have the power and it shall be its duty:

- (1) to regulate the practice of pharmacy;
- (2) to regulate the manufacture, wholesale, and retail sale of drugs within this state;
- (3) to regulate the identity, labeling, purity, and quality of all drugs and medicines dispensed in this state, using the United States Pharmacopeia and the National Formulary, or any revisions thereof, or standards adopted under the federal act as the standard;
- (4) to enter and inspect by its authorized representative any and all places where drugs, medicines, medical gases, or veterinary drugs or devices are sold, vended, given away, compounded, dispensed, manufactured, wholesaled, or held; it may secure samples or specimens of any drugs, medicines, medical gases, or veterinary drugs or devices after paying or offering to pay for such sample; it shall be entitled to inspect and make copies of any and all records of shipment, purchase, manufacture, quality control, and sale of these items provided, however, that such inspection shall not extend to financial data, sales data, or pricing data;
- (5) to examine and license as pharmacists all applicants whom it shall deem qualified to be such;
 - (6) to license wholesale drug distributors;
- (7) to deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any registration or license required under this chapter, to any applicant or registrant or licensee upon any of the following grounds:
- (i) fraud or deception in connection with the securing of such license or registration;
 - (ii) in the case of a pharmacist, conviction in any court of a felony;
- (iii) in the case of a pharmacist, conviction in any court of an offense involving moral turpitude;
- (iv) habitual indulgence in the use of narcotics, stimulants, or depressant drugs; or habitual indulgence in intoxicating liquors in a manner which could cause conduct endangering public health;

- (v) unprofessional conduct or conduct endangering public health;
- (vi) gross immorality;
- (vii) employing, assisting, or enabling in any manner an unlicensed person to practice pharmacy;
- (viii) conviction of theft of drugs, or the unauthorized use, possession, or sale thereof;
- (ix) violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or any of the rules of the state board of pharmacy;
- (x) in the case of a pharmacy license, operation of such pharmacy without a pharmacist present and on duty;
- (xi) in the case of a pharmacist, physical or mental disability which could cause incompetency in the practice of pharmacy; or
- (xii) in the case of a pharmacist, the suspension or revocation of a license to practice pharmacy in another state; or
- (xiii) in the case of a pharmacist, aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide in violation of section 609.215 as established by any of the following:
- (a) a copy of the record of criminal conviction or plea of guilty for a felony in violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (b) a copy of the record of a judgment of contempt of court for violating an injunction issued under section 609.215, subdivision 4;
- (c) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or
- (d) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2;
- (8) to employ necessary assistants and make rules for the conduct of its business; and
- (9) to perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as the provisions of the act may require.
- (b) TEMPORARY SUSPENSION. In addition to any other remedy provided by law, the board may, without a hearing, temporarily suspend a license for not more than 60 days if the board finds that a pharmacist has violated a statute or rule that the board is empowered to enforce and continued practice by the pharmacist would create an imminent risk of harm to others. The suspension shall take effect upon written notice to the pharmacist, specifying the statute or rule violated. At the time it issues the suspension notice, the board shall sched-

ule a disciplinary hearing to be held under the administrative procedure act. The pharmacist shall be provided with at least 20 days notice of any hearing held under this subdivision.

- (c) RULES. For the purposes aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the board to make and publish uniform rules not inconsistent herewith for carrying out and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.
- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 609.215, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 3. ACTS OR OMISSIONS NOT CONSIDERED AIDING SUICIDE OR AIDING ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. (a) A health care provider, as defined in section 145B.02, subdivision 6, who administers, prescribes, or dispenses medications or procedures to relieve another person's pain or discomfort, even if the medication or procedure may hasten or increase the risk of death, does not violate this section unless the medications or procedures are knowingly administered, prescribed, or dispensed to cause death.
- (b) A health care provider, as defined in section 145B.02, subdivision 6, who withholds or withdraws a life-sustaining procedure in compliance with chapter 145B or in accordance with reasonable medical practice does not violate this section.
- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 609.215, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 4. INJUNCTIVE RELIEF. A cause of action for injunctive relief may be maintained against any person who is reasonably believed to be about to violate or who is in the course of violating this section by any person who is:
- (1) the spouse, parent, child, or sibling of the person who would commit suicide;
- (2) an heir or a beneficiary under a life insurance policy of the person who would commit suicide;
 - (3) a health care provider of the person who would commit suicide;
 - (4) a person authorized to prosecute or enforce the laws of this state; or
- (5) a legally appointed guardian or conservator of the person who would have committed suicide.
- Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 609.215, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 5. CIVIL DAMAGES. A person given standing by subdivision 4, clause (1), (2), or (5), or the person who would have committed suicide, in the case of an attempt, may maintain a cause of action against any person who violates or who attempts to violate subdivision 1 or 2 for compensatory damages

and punitive damages as provided in section 549.20. A person described in subdivision 4, clause (4), may maintain a cause of action against a person who violates or attempts to violate subdivision 1 or 2 for a civil penalty of up to \$50,000 on behalf of the state. An action under this subdivision may be brought whether or not the plaintiff had prior knowledge of the violation or attempt.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 609.215, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

<u>Subd.</u> <u>6. ATTORNEY FEES. Reasonable attorney fees shall be awarded to the prevailing plaintiff in a civil action brought under subdivision 4 or 5.</u>

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CHAPTER 578—S.F.No. 695

An act relating to transportation; making technical and clarifying changes; permitting a town board by resolution to take certain actions relating to abandoned roads; establishing comprehensive regulation of personal transportation service vehicles; defining terms; providing for maximum weight per inch of tire width; modifying axle weight limitations; allowing commissioner of transportation to adopt rules assessing administrative penalties for violations of special transportation service standards; providing for regulation of motor vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more and operated by motor carriers; requiring certain carriers to comply with rules on driver qualifications and maximum hours of service after August 1, 1994; applying federal regulations on drug testing to intrastate motor carriers; regulating transportation of hazardous materials, substances, and waste; specifying identification information required on power units; authorizing small fee for motor carrier identification stamps; regulating building movers; authorizing release of criminal history data for purposes of special transportation license endorsements; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 164.06; 168.011, by adding a subdivision; 169.01, subdivision 55; 169.825, subdivisions 11 and 14; 174.30, subdivision 2; 221.011, subdivisions 20, 21, 25, and by adding subdivisions; 221.021; 221.031, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 3a, 6, and by adding subdivisions; 221.033, subdivisions 1, 2, and by adding subdivisions; 221.034, subdivisions 1 and 3; 221.035, subdivisions 1, 2, and by adding a subdivision; 221.121, subdivisions 1 and 7; 221.131, subdivisions 1, 2, and 6; 221.161, subdivision 1; 221.60, subdivision 2; 221.605, subdivision 1; and 221.81, subdivisions 2, 4, and by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, sections 169.781, subdivisions 1 and 5; 169.825, subdivisions 8 and 10; 169.86, subdivision 5; 221.025; 221.091; 221.84, subdivision 2; and 364.09; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 168; and 221.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 164.06, is amended to read: