township; amending Laws 1995, chapter 207, article 2, section 37.

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

Section 1. Laws 1995, chapter 207, article 2, section 37, is amended to read:

# Sec. 37. MCLEOD COUNTY; COUNTY OFFICES OUTSIDE COUNTY SEAT.

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 382.04 to the contrary, the McLeod county auditor, treasurer, social service director, and recorder may temporarily office at a location in Glencoe township. The authority provided in this section expires six years after final enactment in 2002.

Presented to the governor March 20, 2000

Signed by the governor March 23, 2000, 10:38 a.m.

#### CHAPTER 267—H.E.No. 3236

An act relating to health; modifying provisions for issuing certified copies of vital records; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 144.225, subdivision 7.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 144.225, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

- Subd. 7. **CERTIFIED COPY OF BIRTH OR DEATH CERTIFICATE.** The state or local registrar shall issue a certified copy of a birth or death certificate or a statement of no record found to an individual upon the individual's proper completion of an affidavit attestation provided by the commissioner:
- (1) to a person who has a tangible interest in the requested certificate. A person who has a tangible interest is:
  - (i) the subject of the certificate;
  - (ii) a child of the subject;
  - (iii) the spouse of the subject;
- (iv) a parent of the subject, unless the parent is a birth parent whose parental rights have been terminated;
  - (v) the grandparent or grandchild of the subject;
  - (vi) the party responsible for filing the certificate;
  - (vii) the legal custodian or guardian of the subject;

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- (vi) (viii) a personal representative of the estate of the subject or a successor of the subject, as defined in section 524.1-201, if the subject is deceased;
  - (vii) (ix) a representative authorized by a person under clauses (1) to (3); or
- (viii) (x) a person or entity who demonstrates that a certified copy of the certificate is necessary for the determination or protection of a personal or property right, pursuant to rules adopted by the commissioner;
- (2) to any local, state, or federal governmental agency upon request if the certified certificate is necessary for the governmental agency to perform its authorized duties. An authorized governmental agency includes the department of human services, the department of revenue, and the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service; or
- (3) pursuant to a court order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction. For purposes of this section, a subpoena does not constitute a court order.

Presented to the governor March 20, 2000

Signed by the governor March 23, 2000, 10:40 a.m.

### CHAPTER 268—H.F.No. 979

An act relating to landlords and tenants; providing that landlords may apportion utility payments among residential units; amending Minnesota Statutes 1999 Supplement, section 504B.215, subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1999 Supplement, section 504B.215, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. SINGLE-METER UTILITY SERVICE PAYMENTS. In a residential leasehold contract entered into or renewed on or after August 1, 1995, the landlord of a single-metered residential building shall be the bill payer responsible, and shall be the customer of record contracting with the utility for utility services. The landlord must advise the utility provider that the utility services apply to a single-metered residential building. A failure by the landlord to comply with this subdivision is a violation of sections 504B.161, subdivision 1, clause (1), and 504B.221. This subdivision may not be waived by contract or otherwise. This subdivision does not require a landlord to contract and pay for utility service provided to each residential unit through a separate meter which accurately measures that unit's use only. This subdivision does not prohibit a landlord from apportioning utility service payments among residential units and either including utility costs in a unit's rent or billing for utility charges separate from rent.

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