three-year period, regardless of whether the action was undertaken before or after certification of the district.

Presented to the governor May 31, 2005

Signed by the governor June 2, 2005, 1:45 p.m.

CHAPTER 153-H.F.No. 1272

An act relating to professional firms; including marriage and family therapy in the definition of professional services; allowing marriage and family therapists to practice professional services in combination; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 319B.02, subdivision 19; 319B.40.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 319B.02, subdivision 19, is amended to read:

Subd. 19. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES. "Professional services" means services of the type required or permitted to be furnished by a professional under a license, registration, or certificate issued by the state of Minnesota to practice medicine and surgery under sections 147.01 to 147.22, as a physician assistant pursuant to sections 147A.01 to 147A.27, chiropractic under sections 148.01 to 148.105, registered nursing under sections 148.171 to 148.285, optometry under sections 148.52 to 148.62, psychology under sections 148.88 to 148.98, social work under sections 148B.18 to 148B.289, marriage and family therapy under sections 148B.29 to 148B.39, dentistry and dental hygiene under sections 150A.01 to 150A.12, pharmacy under sections 151.01 to 151.40, podiatric medicine under sections 153.01 to 153.25, veterinary medicine under sections 156.001 to 156.14, architecture, engineering, surveying, landscape architecture, geoscience, and certified interior design under sections 326.02 to 326.15, accountancy under chapter 326A, or law under sections 481.01 to 481.17, or under a license or certificate issued by another state under similar laws. Professional services includes services of the type required to be furnished by a professional pursuant to a license or other authority to practice law under the laws of a foreign nation.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 319B.40, is amended to read:

319B.40 PROFESSIONAL HEALTH SERVICES.

(a) Individuals who furnish professional services pursuant to a license, registration, or certificate issued by the state of Minnesota to practice medicine pursuant to sections 147.01 to 147.22, as a physician assistant pursuant to sections 147A.01 to 147A.27, chiropractic pursuant to sections 148.01 to 148.106, registered nursing pursuant to sections 148.171 to 148.285, optometry pursuant to sections 148.52 to

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148.62, psychology pursuant to sections 148.88 to 148.98, social work pursuant to sections 148B.18 to 148B.289, marriage and family therapy pursuant to sections 148B.29 to 148B.39, dentistry pursuant to sections 150A.01 to 150A.12, pharmacy pursuant to sections 151.01 to 151.40, or podiatric medicine pursuant to sections 153.01 to 153.26 are specifically authorized to practice any of these categories of services in combination if the individuals are organized under this chapter.

(b) This authorization does not authorize an individual to practice any profession, or furnish a professional service, for which the individual is not licensed, registered, or certified, but otherwise applies regardless of any contrary provision of a licensing statute or rules adopted pursuant to that statute, related to practicing and organizing in combination with other health services professionals.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.

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CHAPTER 154—H.F.No. 1176

An act relating to education; modifying teacher license variance for certain special education teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 122A.09, subdivision 10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 122A.09, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

- Subd. 10. **VARIANCES.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision 9 and section 14.05, subdivision 4, the Board of Teaching may grant a variance to its rules upon application by a school district for purposes of implementing experimental programs in learning or management.
- (b) To enable a school district to meet the needs of students enrolled in an alternative education program and to enable licensed teachers instructing those students to satisfy content area licensure requirements, the Board of Teaching annually may permit a licensed teacher teaching in an alternative education program to instruct students in a content area for which the teacher is not licensed, consistent with paragraph (a).
- (c) A special education license variance issued by the Board of Teaching for a primary employer's low-incidence region shall be valid in all low-incidence regions.

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