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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 4054

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Data Practices Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

relating to human rights; changing statutory provisions to conform with Minnesota

Human Rights Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2017 Supplement, section

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2017 Supplement, section 256C.02, is amended to read:

256C.02 PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS.

People who are blind or people with a visual or physical disability have the same right as the able-bodied to the full and free use of the streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings, public facilities, and other public places; and are entitled to full and equal accommodations, advantages, facilities, and privileges of all common carriers, airplanes, motor vehicles, railroad trains, motor buses, boats, or any other public conveyances or modes of transportation, hotels, lodging places, places of public accommodation, amusement, or resort, and other places to which the general public is invited, subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to all persons.

Every person who is totally or partially blind, or person who is deaf, or person with a physical disability, or any person training a dog an animal to be a service dog animal shall have the right to be accompanied by a service dog animal in any of the places listed in section 363A.19. The person shall be liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by such dog the service animal. The service dog must be capable of being properly identified as from a recognized school for seeing eye, hearing ear, service, or guide dogs.

Section 1.