

Section 1. Insurance companies not to issue discriminating policies.—No insurance company or its agent shall refuse to issue any standard policy of automobile liability insurance or make any discrimination in the acceptance of risks, in rates, premiums, dividends or benefits of any kind, or by way of rebate between persons of the same class, nor on account of race. Every company or agent violating any of the foregoing provisions shall be fined not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$100.00 and every officer, agent or solicitor violating the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Approved April 17, 1941.

CHAPTER 284—S. F. No. 84

An act relating to county welfare boards, defining their powers and duties, and amending Mason's Supplement, 1940, Sections 974-11, 974-11(a) and 974-14.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Law amended.—That Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 974-11, first paragraph, and Sub-section (a), be amended so as to read as follows:

"974-11. County welfare board established — duties — powers.—There shall be established in each county of the state a County Welfare Board which shall consist of *the number of members as hereinafter provided*, to be chosen as follows:

(a) Except in Counties which contain a city of the first class and Counties having a Poor and Hospital Commission, *said County Welfare Board shall consist of seven members, including the Board of County Commissioners to be selected as herein provided; two members, one of whom shall be a woman, shall be appointed by the Director of Social Welfare from a list of residents, five men and five women, submitted by the Board of County Commissioners. One member shall hold office for the term of one year, and one for the term of two years, and thereafter as each term expires or a vacancy occurs by reason of death or resignation a successor shall be appointed by the Director of Social Welfare for the full term of two years from a list of five residents submitted by the Board of County Commissioners; provided however, that the Board of County Commissioners may by*

resolution adopted by a majority of said board, determine that only three of their members shall be members of the County Welfare Board, in which event said County Welfare Board shall consist of five members instead of seven. When a vacancy occurs on the County Welfare Board by reason of the death, resignation or expiration of the term of office of a member of the Board of County Commissioners, the unexpired term of such member shall be filled by appointment by the County Commissioners. Except to fill a vacancy and for the first year of its existence the term of office of each member of the County Welfare Board shall commence on the first Thursday after the first Monday in July, and shall continue until the expiration of the term for which such member was appointed or until a successor is appointed and qualifies. Provided, however, that if the Board of County Commissioners shall refuse, fail, omit or neglect to submit the list of residents to the *Director of Social Welfare* for appointment to the County Welfare Board by the *Director of Social Welfare*, as herein provided, or to appoint the three members to the County Welfare Board, as herein provided, by the time when the terms of such members commence, or, in the event of vacancies, for a period of thirty days thereafter, the *Director of Social Welfare* is hereby empowered to and shall forthwith appoint residents of said county to the County Welfare Board. Before the *Director of Social Welfare* shall fill any vacancy hereunder resulting from the failure or refusal of the Board of County Commissioners of any county to act as required herein, the *Director of Social Welfare* shall mail fifteen days' written notice to the Board of County Commissioners of its intention to fill such vacancy or vacancies unless the Board of County Commissioners shall act before the expiration of said fifteen day period.

Sec. 2. Law amended.—That Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 974-14, be amended so as to read as follows:

"974-14. Meetings—officers.—The County Welfare Board shall at its first meeting, and thereafter at its annual meeting on the first Thursday after the first Monday in July of each year, meet and organize by electing a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman and a Secretary, except as provided in Section 1, Subdivision (b) (974-11(b)), each of whom shall perform the customary duties of his office. Said Board shall appoint an Executive Secretary and such assistants and clerical help as it may deem necessary to perform the work of the Board. The appointment of said Executive Secretary shall be made in accordance with rules and regulations to be adopted by the *Director of Social Welfare* and shall be chosen upon the basis

of his experience, training and general qualifications for the work. His salary shall be fixed by the County Welfare Board, except the salary of the Executive Secretary of the County Welfare Board appointed pursuant to Section 1, Subdivision (c) hereof (Sec. 974-11 c)), which salary shall be approved by the Board of County Commissioners of any such county and the City Council of any city of the first class located within such county, and said County Welfare Board shall fix the salary of such other employes as it may hire.

Said welfare board shall require its executive secretary and such other of its employes as it may determine, to execute and file with it a bond conditioned as are other official bonds, to the state, with corporate sureties to be approved by it, in such amount as it may fix, not less than \$1,000.00, and the premium thereon shall be paid by said board."

Sec. 3. **Effective July 1, 1941.**—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1941.

Approved April 17, 1941.

CHAPTER 285—S. F. No. 191

An act relating to the Public Employes Retirement Association and to amend the 1940 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 254-23, 254-24, 254-26, 254-29, 254-33, 254-36, 254-37, 254-38, 254-44, and 254-46.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. **Law amended.**—The 1940 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 254-23, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"254-23. **Definitions.**—The following words and phrases as used in this act, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meaning:

"1. 'Public Employe' shall mean any person holding a position, either by election, appointment or contract in and for any of the several counties, cities, villages or school districts which are now or hereafter may be affected by the provisions of this act, whose salary is paid, in whole or in part, through taxation, or by fees, assessments or revenue from any one or more of the governmental subdivisions here-