

county to which it is presented for record maintains a tract index, there shall be made an additional charge for indexing such descriptions in excess of three in accordance with the provisions of section 386.05. In calculating such additional charge the provisions of such law fixing additional charges for indexing the first and subsequent descriptions contained in any instrument shall apply to the fourth and subsequent descriptions contained in any instrument on a form approved hereby; the intent hereof being that no additional charge shall be made for indexing the first three lots or parcels of land described in such instrument.

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CHAPTER 406—S. F. No. 780

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*An act relating to alcoholics and alcoholism, providing for the establishment of an interim commission on alcoholism, and prescribing its responsibilities.*

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

**Section 1. Definition.** Subdivision 1. **Alcoholic.** In this act "alcoholic" means any person who chronically and habitually uses alcoholic beverages to the extent that he has lost the power of self-control with respect to the use of such beverages, or while chronically or habitually under the influence of alcoholic beverages endangers public morals, health, safety or welfare.

**Subd. 2. Commission.** "Commission" means the Minnesota Interim Commission on Alcoholism.

**Subd. 3. Alcoholism.** "Alcoholism" means the pathological condition attendant upon the excessive and habitual use of alcoholic beverages.

**Sec. 2. Interim Commission on Alcoholism.** Subdivision 1. **Established membership.** There is hereby established the Minnesota Interim Commission on Alcoholism. The

membership of the commission shall consist of the Secretary of the State Board of Health, the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Hospitals or a subordinate designated by each of the foregoing, two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, two members of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees of the Senate, and three members appointed by the Governor.

**Subd. 2. Organization.** The commission shall select a chairman and secretary from its membership. It shall meet at the call of the chairman and four members shall constitute a quorum. The members shall receive no compensation as members of the commission.

**Sec. 3. Duties.** Subdivision 1. The commission shall determine the extent and social impact of alcoholism and the presently available private and public facilities for the treatment of alcoholics in Minnesota.

**Subd. 2.** The commission shall review the methods of treating alcoholics and obtain factual information on the success of the methods considered.

**Subd. 3.** The commission shall study the organization, operation and accomplishments of commissions on alcoholism of other states.

**Subd. 4.** The commission shall recommend what program, if any, the state of Minnesota should undertake to deal with the problem of alcoholism and to provide care and treatment for alcoholics in addition to that now available.

**Subd. 5.** The commission shall prepare a report of its findings and recommendations and submit a copy to the Governor and to each house of the legislature not later than November 1, 1952.

**Sec. 4.** This act and the commission established by it shall remain in force until December 31, 1952.

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