

probable receipts from taxes or other sources for any appropriation, fund or item will be insufficient to meet such appropriations made herein, the treasurer shall borrow the funds necessary to supply such deficiency as authorized in Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 7.08.

Section 26. Merit increases. Funds have been provided in the various appropriations herein for merit increases for employees in the departments covered thereby, in accordance with the law relating to salary increases. Such increases shall not exceed a maximum of an average of one merit increase in any one fiscal year for the total number of employees whose salaries are less than the maximum salary of their class, in any one department, provided, however, that such an increase granted to an employee who is subsequently promoted or terminated shall not be included in the number of such increases granted.

Approved April 23, 1951.

CHAPTER 710—H. F. No. 312

[Coded as Section 148.295]

An act providing for scholarships for students in accredited schools of nursing and making appropriation therefor.

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

[148.295] **Section 1. Scholarship awarded to students in nursing schools.** [Subdivision 1.] The State Board of Education may award scholarships to students attending a school of nursing in this state accredited in accordance with the laws pertaining to registered nurses and licensed practical nurses. Such scholarships shall be awarded to those students who are residents of this state and who are in need of economic assistance in securing such nursing education, and shall be awarded on the basis of need and ability. These scholarships shall be used solely to defray tuition and other fees and expenses incidental to such nursing education, and shall be awarded only to students enrolled in a school of nursing which provides that students with an educational experience in a

rural or a state hospital for the mentally ill. No student shall receive a scholarship of more than \$600. One-half of the scholarship shall be available to the student in the first year of her course, and the remainder thereof shall be divided equally between the remaining years of the course, provided, however, that the practical nurse scholarship shall not exceed \$300 and shall be available to the student in the first year of her course.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] The recipient of any scholarship provided for hereunder must agree to accept an educational experience in a rural hospital or a state hospital for the mentally ill, and must further agree to practice the profession of nursing for a lease one year immediately after graduation, in the state of Minnesota.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purposes specified in this act the sum of \$75,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and \$75,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953. At the close of said fiscal years any unexpended balance of said sums shall revert to the state treasury except so much of said balance as may be necessary to pay the balance of any scholarships which have been awarded and not completed or terminated during such years. Of the amounts appropriated, at least \$70,000 shall be made available for scholarships in each fiscal year. Not less than one-third of the amount available for scholarships in each such fiscal year shall be awarded for scholarships in accredited schools, located in counties with a population not exceeding 100,000 persons respectively.

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CHAPTER 711—H. F. No. 396

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the use for living quarters of cellar, basement and other rooms in any city of the first class now or hereafter having a population of more than 500,000.

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