

*to the order of the director of public institutions. If the gift or contribution is designated by the donor for a certain institution or purpose, the director of public institutions shall expend or use the same as nearly as may be in accordance with the conditions of the gift or contribution, compatible with the best interests of the inmates and the state. The director of public institutions is hereby constituted the "state agency" as defined by the social security act of the United States and the laws of this state for all purposes relating to mental health and mental hygiene.*

It shall be the duty of the several directors to actively cooperate, each with the other, in establishing an efficient working relationship relative to the care and supervision of individuals both prior to and after departure from institutions hereinabove mentioned.

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#### CHAPTER 563—H. F. No. 1745

*An act relating to the acceptance of gifts by superintendents of state institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.20.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.20, is amended to read:

**246.20 Employees, agents; acceptance of gifts.** No agent or employee of the director of public institutions, and no officer or manager of any institution under his charge, shall directly or indirectly, for himself or another, or for any such institution, receive or accept any gift or gratuity from any dealer in goods, merchandise, or supplies which are or may be used in any such institution, or from any servant or agent of such dealer. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

*Except as provided above, the superintendent or chief executive officer of any institution may, under rules and regulations prescribed by the director of public institutions, accept contributions and gifts of money and personal property for the use and benefit of the inmates of the institution under his jurisdiction. All monies and securities so received shall be deposited in a separate account at the institution and records shall be kept, clearly showing the identity of the donor, the purpose of the donation and the ultimate disposition of the con-*

*tribution. Each contribution shall be duly receipted and shall be expended or used as nearly in accordance with the conditions of the gift or contribution as is compatible with the best interest of the inmates and the institution.*

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CHAPTER 564—H. F. No. 1760

[Not Coded]

*An act validating proceedings for issuance of bonds of a school district taken after it has voted to dissolve and providing for the use of moneys so raised.*

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

**Section 1. Independent school district, validation of certain proceedings.** Where any independent school district has heretofore voted to dissolve, under Minnesota Statutes, Section 122.28, and the Board of County Commissioners has ordered its dissolution and the attachment of its territory to another district or districts but an appeal or appeals from the county board have been taken to the District Court and prior to final determination thereof an election has been called and held in such independent district to vote on the issuance of not to exceed \$200,000 of bonds for the purpose of erecting and equipping a new school building in and for the district on property theretofore purchased for that purpose and a majority of the votes cast thereat were in favor thereof, such election is hereby in all things validated and such independent district, acting through its school board, may issue, sell and deliver the bonds so voted and levy taxes for the payment thereof and interest to accrue thereon in the manner prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, and all taxable property now or hereafter in the territory of such district shall be and thereafter remain liable for the payment of such bonds and interest until fully paid.

**Sec. 2. Bonds, proceeds to be used for erection of school building.** Until and unless such county board order is finally sustained by the court, the school board of the district issuing the bonds may proceed with the erection and equipment of the building as freely as though such dissolution proceedings had not been instituted. In event such county board order be finally sustained, the school board of the district to which the territory, or part thereof containing the site, is attached shall cause the proceeds of such bonds and any other unexpended moneys raised for such purpose by the dissolved district to be used for the erection of a school building on such site, and the enlarged