

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

Section 1. Laws 1923, Chapter 77, Section 9, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 269, Section 1, Laws 1947, Chapter 297, Section 1, Laws 1949, Chapter 443, Laws 1951, Chapter 542 and Laws 1953, Chapter 125, is amended to read:

Sec. 9. **Court reporters, salaries.** The salary of the chief reporter and each of the other reporters in the second judicial district shall be uniform and shall be fixed by the judges of the district court in an amount not to exceed \$6,500 per annum and shall be paid in equal installments in the same manner as the other county officers are paid.

Approved April 20, 1955.

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CHAPTER 623—H. F. No. 1310

[Not Coded]

*An act pertaining to the operation of the dormitories and cafeterias in the state teachers colleges.*

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

Section 1. **State teachers colleges, certain deductions from receipts returned.** All receipts for the year 1954-55 deducted from gross receipts derived from the operation of dormitories and cafeterias in state teachers colleges pursuant to Laws 1949, Chapter 742, Section 4, Subdivision 6, shall be returned to the college accounts from which they were deducted and Laws 1949, Chapter 742, Section 4, Subdivision 6, is hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER 624—H. F. No. 1356

[Coded in Part]

*An act relating to child welfare; providing for licensing of facilities for maternity shelter; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.081, 257.111, Subdivisions 1, 3, 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 258.01 to 258.11 inclusive.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.081 is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 7.] *“Facility for maternity shelter” means any family home, boarding home, institution, or establishment which gives or holds itself out to give care, shelter, or social services to women who are pregnant, or who have been delivered of a child or children within a period of 30 days prior to admission to such facility, whether or not children of these mothers are also received for care during the period of time the mother is in residence. It does not include facilities which give obstetrical care and treatment and are therefore subject to license by the department of health as defined in section 144.50 and in regulations issued by the Board of Health.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.081 is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 8.] *The commissioner of public welfare shall pass annually on the adequacy and suitability of facilities for maternity shelter. The commissioner shall set rules governing the operation of such facilities. If he is satisfied that a facility for maternity shelter conforms to his rules and regulations, or in his opinion is making satisfactory progress toward full conformity, and that the wellbeing of each woman or child received is properly safeguarded, he shall grant a license to the individual, organization, or society operating such facility for maternity shelter. This license shall remain in force for one year unless sooner revoked and shall prescribe the number of persons who may be received for care at any one time and such other terms of license as the commissioner may prescribe. Each facility for maternity shelter shall keep records prescribed by the commissioner and shall make available all facts regarding its operation and services and all facts regarding the true identity of each woman or child received for care and such other facts as the commissioner may require. Every facility for maternity shelter is subject to visitation and supervision by the commissioner or his designated agent and shall receive from him consultation as needed to strengthen services for the identification and protection of mothers pregnant with children who will be born out of wedlock, and to strengthen social services for the protection and early identification of children born out of wedlock. No unlicensed facility for maternity shelter shall operate or continue to operate.*

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.081 is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 9.] *Any person who violates the provisions of*

*this section shall, upon conviction of the first offense, be guilty of a misdemeanor. The second and subsequent offense shall be a gross misdemeanor.*

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.111, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**257.111 Revocation of license.** Subdivision 1. **Grounds.** After due *notice* and hearing, the commissioner of public welfare may revoke the license of any agency, facility for foster care, *or facility for maternity shelter*;

(a) if any provision of sections 257.081 to 257.123 *or this act* is violated; or

(b) if the licensee violates any law of the state in a manner disclosing moral turpitude or unfitness to maintain the agency, facility for foster care, *or facility for maternity shelter*; or

(c) if there is evidence that the agency, facility for foster care, *or facility for maternity shelter* is conducted by a person of ill repute or bad moral character.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.111, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Appeals to district court.** Any licensee feeling aggrieved by a decision of the commissioner upon a hearing may appeal to the district court by filing with the clerk thereof, in the county where the agency, facility for foster care, *or facility for maternity shelter* is situated within ten days after service of the decision upon him, a written notice of appeal specifying the grounds of the appeal.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 257.111, Subdivision 6 is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Revocation stayed pending appeal.** When an appeal is taken from the decision of the commissioner of public welfare revoking the license of any agency, facility for foster care, *or facility for maternity shelter*, such revocation of license is not effective until appeal is finally determined.

Sec. 7. **Repealer.** Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 258.01 to 258.11 inclusive are hereby repealed.

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