

until he reaches the age of 17. After his 17th birthday, such juvenile may again apply for a driver's license.

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CHAPTER 543—H. F. No. 700

*An act relating to the publication of county financial statements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 375.17.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 375.17, is amended to read:

**375.17. Publication of financial statements.** Annually, not later than the first Tuesday after the first Monday in February, the county board shall make a full and accurate statement of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year, which shall contain a statement of the assets and liabilities, a summary of receipts, disbursements, and balances of all county funds together with a detailed statement of each fund account together with an itemized account of amounts paid out, to whom, and for what purpose, under the form and style prescribed by and on file with the public examiner, which prescribed form and any changes or modifications thereof shall so far as practical be uniform for all counties and shall be approved by the attorney general and the state printer and within 30 days thereafter shall cause the same to be published for one issue in some newspaper within the county, which newspaper must be a duly qualified legal newspaper, as provided by law. The county board may refrain from publishing the names of persons receiving poor relief or direct relief and the amounts paid to each, but the totals of the disbursements for such purposes must be published. In addition to the publication thereof in the newspaper designated by the board as the official newspaper for publication of the financial statement, the same shall be published in one other newspaper of the county, *if there be one* located in a different *municipality* in the county than the official newspaper. The county board shall call for separate bids for each publication. At its meeting in July and January each year it shall examine and count all the funds in the treasury, examine the accounts and vouchers of the auditor and treasurer, and make a written certificate of the condition of the treasury, showing the amount, kind, and character of the funds therein, and all other matters in connection therewith and file the same with the auditor. Inso-

far as any provision of this section is inconsistent with the provisions of section 393.07, the provisions of that section shall prevail.

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CHAPTER 544—H. F. No. 778

[Coded]

*An act relating to the sale or offering for sale of merchandise as made by the blind and defining same and providing penalties therefor.*

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

Section 1. [614.67] **Misrepresentation of blind-made articles or products forbidden.** [Subd. 1.] No person shall sell or offer for sale, on either wholesale or retail levels within the state of Minnesota, any article or product which is said or represented to have been "blind-made" or with a connotation or an association with blindness unless such article or product shall have been made, processed, or repaired within the limits of the following specifications:

(a) Blind labor shall mean such work which has been expended by individuals whose central visual acuity does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye, with correcting lenses, or whose visual acuity is greater than 20/200 but with a limitation in the field of vision, such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20° as determined by an eye specialist.

(b) A "blind-made" article or product shall mean that at least 75 percent of the hours of direct labor expended in the preparation, processing, packaging, or improvement of an article or product, excluding the supervision, inspection, administration, or shipping, shall have been performed by a person or persons whose visual acuity falls within the definition of blindness described above.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] Any article or product which is sold or offered for sale in this state as a blind-made product shall include in its labeling the name of its manufacturer.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] Any person, firm, or agency that willfully violates any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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