

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 617.24, is amended to read:

**617.24 Obscene or indecent literature, motion pictures, or billboards.** Every person who shall:

(1) Sell, lend, give away, or offer to give away, show, or have in his possession with intent to sell, give away, show, advertise, or otherwise offer for loan, gift, sale or distribution, any obscene or indecent book, *obscene or indecent motion picture*, magazine, pamphlet, newspaper, story paper, writing, picture, drawing, photograph, or any article or instrument of indecent or immoral character; or who shall design, copy, draw, photograph, print, utter, publish, or otherwise prepare such a book, picture, drawing, paper, or other article; or write or print, or cause to be written or printed, a circular, advertisement, or notice of any kind, or give oral information stating when, where, how, or of whom or by what means such an indecent or obscene article or thing can be purchased or obtained;

(2) Exhibit upon any public road, street, or other place within view of any minor, any of the books, papers, or *obscene or indecent billboards* or other things hereinbefore enumerated; or

(3) Hire, use, or employ any minor to sell or give away, or in any manner distribute, or shall permit any minor in his custody or control to sell, give away, or in any manner distribute, any of the articles hereinbefore mentioned

Shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year, nor less than 90 days, or by a fine of not less than \$100, nor more than \$500, or by both.

Sec. 2. *The effective date of this act shall be July 1, 1959.*

Approved April 24, 1959.

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#### CHAPTER 598—S. F. No. 1323

*An act relating to municipal planning powers and authorizing the department of business development to receive and expend certain moneys for municipal planning purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 362.13.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 362.13, is amended to read:

**362.13 Additional powers and duties.** The Department shall:

- (1) Have control of the work of carrying on a continuous program of education for business men;
- (2) Publish, disseminate, and distribute information and statistics acquired by the division of research and statistics in cooperation with that division;
- (3) Promote and encourage the expansion and development of markets for Minnesota products;
- (4) Promote and encourage the location and development of new business in the state as well as the maintenance and expansion of existing business and for that purpose cooperate with state and local agencies and individuals, both within and outside the state;
- (5) Advertise and disseminate information as to natural resources, desirable locations, and other advantages for the purpose of attracting business to locate in this state;
- (6) Aid the various communities in this state in getting business to locate therein;
- (7) Advise and cooperate with municipal, county, regional, and other planning agencies and planning groups within the state for the purpose of promoting coordination between the state and localities as to plans and development in order to maintain a high level of gainful employment in private profitable production and achieve commensurate advancement in social and cultural welfare; coordinate the activities of state-wide and local planning agencies, correlate information secured from them and from state departments, and disseminate information and suggestions to such planning agencies; and encourage and assist in the organization and functioning of local planning agencies where none exist; and may provide at the request of any governmental subdivision hereinafter mentioned planning assistance, which includes but is not limited to surveys, land use studies, urban renewal plans, technical services and other planning work to any city or other municipality in the state or perform similar planning work in any county, metropolitan or regional area in the state providing that the department of business development shall not perform such planning work with respect to a metropolitan or regional area which is under the jurisdiction for such

planning purposes of a county, metropolitan, regional or joint planning body, except at the request or with the consent of the respective county, metropolitan, regional or joint planning body. *The department is authorized to receive and expend funds from municipal, county, regional and other planning agencies; and may accept and disburse grants and other aids for planning purposes from the federal government and from other public or private sources, and may utilize moneys so received for the employment of consultants and other temporary personnel to assist in the supervision of performance of planning work supported by funds other than state appropriated funds, and may enter into such contracts with agencies of the federal government, units of local government or combinations thereof, and with private persons as are necessary in the performance of its planning assistance function. In furtherance of their planning functions, any city, village, borough, or town, however organized, may expend funds and contract with agencies of the federal government, appropriate departments of state government, other local units of government and with private persons.*

(8) Adopt such measures as may best be calculated to promote public interest in and understanding of the problems of planning and, to that end, may publish and distribute copies of any plan or any report and may employ such other means of publicity and education as shall give full effect to the provisions of sections 362.07 to 362.24;

(9) Perform the functions and carry out programs heretofore performed and carried out by the tourist bureau of the department of conservation, plan and conduct programs of information and publicity designed to attract tourists, visitors, and other interested persons from outside the state to this state, and in that connection encourage and coordinate the efforts of other public and private organizations or groups of citizens to publicize the facilities and attractions of the state and work with representatives of the tourist and resort industry in carrying out its programs.

Approved April 24, 1959.

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#### CHAPTER 599—H. F. No. 126

*An act relating to actions against municipalities and amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 465.09.*

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