

the department for accident prevention purposes, except that the department or any law enforcement department of any municipality or county in this state shall, upon written request of any person involved in an accident or upon written request of the representative of his estate, *his surviving spouse, or one or more of his surviving next of kin, or a trustee appointed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 573.02*, disclose to such person, ~~the representative of his estate requester,~~ or his legal counsel any information contained therein except the parties' version of the accident as set out in the written report filed by such parties. No such report shall be used as evidence in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident, except that the department shall furnish upon the demand of any person who has, or claims to have, made such a report, or, upon demand of any court, a certificate showing that a specified accident report has or has not been made to the department solely to prove a compliance or a failure to comply with the requirements that such report be made to the department. Disclosing any information contained in any accident report, except as provided herein, is unlawful and a misdemeanor.

Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent any person who has made a report pursuant to this chapter from testifying in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident, as to facts within his knowledge. It is intended by this subdivision to render privileged the reports required but it is not intended to prohibit proof of the facts to which such reports relate. Legally qualified newspaper publications shall upon request to a law enforcement agency be given an oral statement covering only the time and place of the accident, the names and addresses of the parties involved, and a general statement as to how the accident happened without attempting to fix liability upon anyone, but said legally qualified newspaper publications shall not be given access to the hereinbefore mentioned confidential reports, nor shall any such statements or information so orally given be used as evidence in any court proceeding, but shall merely be used for the purpose of a proper publication of the news.

Approved May 13, 1963.

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#### CHAPTER 635—H. F. No. 1028

*An act relating to Young Men's Christian Associations and Young Women's Christian Associations, corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 315.44.*

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

**Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by strikeout.**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 315.44, is amended to read as follows:

**315.44 Young Men's Christian Association, organization; certificate.** Any number of persons, not less than three, may form a corporation to be known as a Young Men's Christian Association, by adopting, signing, and acknowledging a certificate of incorporation containing:

- (1) The names and places of residence of the incorporators;
- (2) The name of the corporation, the location of its principal place of business, and the period of its duration;
- (3) The objects of its organization expressly stated;
- (4) The number of its directors, not less than five, ~~nor more than 30~~; who shall manage its affairs, how and when elected, and the time and place of holding annual meetings; and
- (5) The terms of admission to active membership.

Such certificate shall be executed in duplicate, and one filed with the secretary of state and the other with the register of deeds of the county of its principal place of business.

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CHAPTER 636—H. F. No. 1125

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to the city of Crookston, and to the firemen's relief association therein, and amending Laws 1949, Chapter 378, Sections 1 and 12 as amended.*

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

Section 1. Laws 1949, Chapter 378, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Firemen's relief association in the city of Crookston.** The Fire Department of ~~any the city of Crookston~~ in this state; having not less than 7,100 and not over 7,500 inhabitants according to the 1940 national census; and a total assessed valuation of real and personal property of not less than \$2,225,000; or more than \$3,500,000 for the taxable year 1948; shall maintain a firemen's relief association which shall be duly incorporated under the laws of the state of Minnesota. All such associa-

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