CHAPTER 292-S. F. No. 313

An act relating to aid to the blind; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 256.53, Subdivision 1, as amended.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 256.53, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1963, Chapter 752, Section 1, is amended to read:
- 256.53 Blind; amount of assistance. Subdivision 1. The amount of assistance which any recipient shall receive shall be determined by the county agency, with due regard to the resources and necessary expenditures of the individual and the conditions existing in each case and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by the state agency, and sufficient when added to all other income and support of the recipient, to provide him with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health. The first \$85 of earned monthly income plus one-half of earned monthly income in excess of \$85 and for a period not in excess of 12 36 months, such additional amounts of other income and resources as may be necessary, for an individual to achieve self-support when the individual has a plan for self-support that has been approved by the state agency, shall be disregarded in determining the need of an applicant or recipient and the following deductions from the gross income of the applicant or recipient from salaries, wages, commissions, sales and fees unless reimbursed by the employer, shall be deducted before determining such earned monthly income:
 - (1) Expenses of travel incidental to employment;
- (2) Cost of meals and lodging away from home necessarily incurred to earn income;
 - (3) Cost of merchandise purchased for sale;
- (4) Salaries, wages, commissions or fees paid by the applicant or recipient where necessary in carrying on his business or profession;
 - (5) Interest paid on business or professional indebtedness;
 - (6) Cost of telephone service used in business or profession;
- (7) Taxes, reasonable depreciation, rent, service charges and cost of repairs on property used in business or profession;
 - (8) Cost of supplies purchased for business or profession;
- (9) Bad debts resulting from sale of merchandise or equipment used in business or profession.

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Such applicant or recipient shall furnish a monthly report of all earnings within ten days after the close of each month and the county agency shall consider such reports in adjusting subsequent monthly grants. Exceptions may be made by the agency when the recipient is engaged in an activity where a monthly report is either impossible or would represent an unrealistic picture of the income situation. During the receipt of assistance, exempted earned income may be accumulated to the amounts permitted under Minnesota Statutes, Section 256.51, Subdivision 2.

Approved April 30, 1965.

CHAPTER 293—S, F. No. 501

An act relating to the Owatonna state school; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 247.14, as amended.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 247.14, as amended by Laws 1963, Chapter 600, Section 1, is amended to read:

247.14 Owatonna state school; vocational training for mentally deficient. The Owatonna state school shall be used as a state institution to provide academic education, and vocational training, and such related services as are necessary to achieve the same for mentally deficient persons under age 21.

Approved April 30, 1965.

CHAPTER 294—S. F. No. 1394

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the office of county budget and purchasing agent in the county of Hennepin; fixing his powers and duties, defining misconduct on the part of such agent, his assistants and employees, and prescribing a penalty therefor; amending Laws 1951, Chapter 556, Section 7, Subdivisions 1 and 2, as amended.

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

Section 1. Laws 1951, Chapter 556, Section 7, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1959, Chapter 200, is amended to read:

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