make such action necessary. The director shall review each such proposal giving due consideration to the salary rates paid other employees in the same class and agency and may deny any request which in his judgment is contrary to the best interest of the service.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 43.21 is amended to read:

Probationary period. Except as in this chapter other-43.21 wise provided, all original appointments to and promotions within the classified service, and offices or employments within the classified service held by persons who become members of the classified service without examination pursuant to section 43.10, or by qualifying examination pursuant to section 43.10, shall be for a probationary period of six months, except special teachers, institutional education administrators and supervisors employed under the classified service whose probationary period shall be one year, but dismissals or demotions may be made at any time during such period, subject to the provisions of section 43.19, subdivision 3, Provided, that no employee transferred or promoted from one position in the classified service to another position in the classified service shall be dismissed, except for just cause, demoted or transferred without his consent until he shall have served a trial period of at least 30 days in his new position. At the end of the probationary period the appointing officer shall notify the director, in writing, whether the probationer is a satisfactory employee and should receive the status of a permanent appointee. Upon such notice, the employee, if his service during the probationary period did not fall below such minimum standards as have been prescribed by the director of the civil service, shall be deemed to have a permanent classified civil service status; otherwise the employee is automatically separated from the service, except as provided in section 43.19, subdivision 3. Provided, any employee holding office on January 1, 1949, who was provisionally appointed prior to August 2, 1941, and who passed an open competitive examination given November 18, 1944, and who was certified for appointment from an eligible list on April 16, 1945, or May 9, 1945, and who was appointed probationally on May 1, 1945, May 8, 1945, or May 10, 1945 shall be given full civil service status from the date of his probationary appointment.

Approved April 17, 1969.

CHAPTER 145-H. F. No. 553

An act relating to civil service; examination of blind applicants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 43.13, Subdivision 2.

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

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 43.13, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Civil service; examinations; blind persons; eligibility; Subd. 2. The competitive examinations shall, after published time: place. notice, be open to all applicants who are citizens of the United States, who have been residents of this state for two years immediately preceding the date of examination, and who meet with reasonable standards or requirements fixed by the director with regard to experience, character, age, education, physical condition, and such other factors as may be held to relate to the ability of the candidates to perform with reasonable efficiency the duties of the position. No standards or requirements shall be fixed with reference to education or physical condition except such as relate directly to the duties of the office or employment to be filled. Persons under such physical disability as not to make them ineligible by reason thereof, shall be examined in such manner as will fairly test their ability to perform the duties of the position, notwithstanding such physical disability. In the case of an applicant who is blind, the department shall provide the applicant with either a braille examination, the services of a reader chosen by the applicant with the approval of the department, or such other means of examination as are available to the examining department. The director may require candidates in filing their applications to submit certificates of general or special qualifications as the good of the service may require. Examinations shall be held at such times and places as in the judgment of the director most nearly meet the convenience of applicants, practicability of administration and the needs of the service.

Approved April 18, 1969.

CHAPTER 146-H. F. No. 603

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to highway traffic regulations and school buses; prescribing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Sections 168.40, Subdivision 2; 169.28; 169.32; 169.44, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and adding subdivisions.

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

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