

Sec. 3. The department may accept, apply for and use gifts or grants of money or other property from the United States or other person.

Sec. 4. This act shall be effective immediately upon its final enactment and shall terminate December 31, 1972.

Approved May 15, 1971.

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## CHAPTER 325—H.F.No.431

[Coded]

*An act relating to the state planning agency; directing such agency to recommend policies relating to the location of certain state buildings, departments and agencies and recommending priorities therefor.*

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

Section 1. **[4.18] STATE PLANNING AGENCY; PLACE-MENT OF STATE BUILDINGS. Subdivision 1. DEFINITION.** For the purpose of this act, the term "standard metropolitan statistical area" means (a) the five county area of Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka, Dakota and Washington counties.

Sec. 2. **[4.18] Subd. 2. POLICY.** The state planning agency shall recommend policies relating to the location of any new buildings proposed by the state or any of its departments or agencies and shall recommend policies relating to the location of state facilities and offices. The policies shall require that whenever feasible and practicable, after due consideration having been given to the functions, uses and services for which such buildings or offices are required, that such buildings, facilities and offices, shall be located in areas of the state not included in a standard metropolitan statistical area to the end that a more equitable balance between urban areas and rural areas in the location of state facilities be finally accomplished. The policies shall provide that in determining the location of any such building, facility or office, first priority shall be given to locating it where the service need dictates. Second priority shall be given to locating the building, facility or office outside of a standard metropolitan statistical area, to avoid over-urbanization. The policies shall not apply when the legislature has designated the specific location of any such building facility or office.

Approved May 17, 1971.

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