Statutes, Sections 626.13, 626.14, and 626.16. The warrant must be executed and returned to the court which issued such warrant within ten days after its date; after the expiration of such time the warrant, unless executed, is void. The officer executing such warrant must forthwith return the warrant to the court, and deliver to it a written inventory of the property or things taken, verified by the certificate of the officer at the foot of the inventory. The warrant and order for investigation issued pursuant to this act shall have the same force and effect as a warrant issued pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 626.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 346, is amended by adding a section to read:

[346.216] EXPENSES OF INVESTIGATION. The expenses of the investigation authorized by section 1 of this act including the fee of the doctor of veterinary medicine, the expenses of keeping or disposing of any animal taken into custody pursuant to such investigation and all other expenses reasonably incident to such investigation shall be assessed against the person alleged to have violated section 346.21, if the person is found guilty of such violation. If the person is found innocent of such violation, the expenses shall be paid by the county treasurer from the general fund of the county.

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CHAPTER 648—H.F.No.1798

An act relating to welfare; providing for payment of the costs of boarding care outside state institutions for children who are emotionally handicapped; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 252.27, Subdivisions 1 and 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 252.27, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

252.27 PUBLIC WELFARE; EMOTIONALLY HANDI-CAPPED CHILDREN; BOARDING CARE; COSTS. Subdivision 1. Whenever any child who is mentally retarded—or_, epileptic—, or emotionally handicapped is cared for outside the home and outside the several state institutions—for the care of the mentally retarded and epileptic, in a facility approved by the commissioner of public

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welfare, the cost of such care shall be paid by the county in which such child has settlement for poor relief purposes; if the child does not have a settlement in this state, such cost shall be paid by the county in which he is found. The county paying the costs of such care and treatment shall, subject to uniform regulations established by the commissioner of public welfare, receive reimbursement not exceeding one half of such costs from funds made available for this purpose by the legislature, provided, however, that such reimbursement shall cease upon the mentally retarded—or_, epileptic_or emotionally handicapped child reaching age 18. For the purposes of this section an "emotionally handicapped child" means any child having a psychiatric or other disorder which substantially impairs his mental health and who is in need of treatment or supervision.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 252.27, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. Parents shall be responsible to reimburse the county making such payments, on the same basis as if the child were in a state institution for the mentally retarded and, epileptic or emotionally handicapped, as provided in sections 252.042 to 252.047 and 246.51 to 246.52 except that this provision is not applicable to mentally retarded-or, epileptic, emotionally handicapped children 18 years of age and older.

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CHAPTER 649-H.F.No.1918

[Coded]

An act relating to animals; prohibiting certain contests and games involving cruelty to animals.

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

Section 1. [346.34] CRUELTY TO ANIMALS; GREASED PIG CONTESTS AND TURKEY SCRAMBLES. No person shall operate, run or participate in a contest, game, or other like activity, in which a pig, greased, oiled or otherwise, is released and wherein the object is the capture of such pig, in which a chicken or turkey is released or thrown into the air and wherein the object is the capture of such chicken or turkey. Any violation of this act shall be a misdemeanor.

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