

maternity benefits to unmarried women and minor female dependents as that provided for married women. Each individual contract may also provide the same coverage for the child of an unmarried mother as that provided for the child of an employee choosing dependent family coverage.

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CHAPTER 681—S.F.No.2475

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to welfare; providing for prompt payment of public assistance when there is a question as to the county of financial responsibility for such assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 245.29, Subdivision 3; 256.20, Subdivision 2; 256.54, by adding a subdivision; and 256.76, Subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.19, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 245.29, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. PUBLIC WELFARE; PAYMENTS PENDING RESIDENCY DETERMINATION; PROCEDURE WHEN COUNTY OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IS IN QUESTION. ~~If upon the investigation provided for in subdivision 2 the county agency shall decide~~ decides that the application was not filed in the county of applicant's residence as defined by section 245.28, ~~but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall transfer the application and all records of its investigation, together with a copy of its decision, to the county agency of the county which it has decided is the county of the applicant's residence. Thereupon the county agency of that county shall proceed in the same manner as though the application had been originally filed with it. If the county agency to which the application is transferred, after such investigation as it deems proper, which shall be promptly made, decides that the county of which it is the agency is not the county of the applicant's residence, it shall, while providing assistance to the applicant, in accordance with subdivision 2, transmit the original a copy of the application, and all other matters transmitted to it by the first county, together with the record of any investigation made by it and a copy of its decision, to the state agency, and to the agency of the county which it has decided is the county of the applicant's~~

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~~residence, which~~ The state agency shall thereupon promptly decide the any question of residence and make an order referring the application to the county agency of the proper county for further action, including reimbursement by such county of any assistance which another county has provided to the applicant in accordance with this subdivision. The state agency may make such investigation as it deems proper before making its decision. It shall prescribe rules and regulations for carrying into effect this subdivision. The order of the state agency shall be binding upon the county agency involved and the applicant or recipient, ~~and shall be complied with by that agency unless reversed on appeal as hereinafter provided, and shall be so complied with pending any such appeal.~~ The county agency to which an application is thus referred shall thereupon proceed promptly to comply with the provisions of subdivision 2. ~~All the provisions of sections 245.21 to 245.43 apply to county agencies to which applications have been transferred under this subdivision, to the counties in which they act, all officers of those counties, and applicants and recipients involved in those transfers.~~

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.20, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. If upon the investigation the county agency ~~shall decide~~ decides that the application was not filed in the county from which the applicant is entitled to receive assistance under section 256.19, subdivision 1, ~~but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall transfer the application and all records of its investigation to the county decided to be responsible for the payment of assistance. Thereupon the latter county shall proceed in the same manner as though the application had been originally filed with it. If, after prompt investigation, the agency of the county to which the application is transferred decides that county is not responsible for the payment of assistance, it shall, while providing assistance to the applicant in accordance with subdivision 1 of this section, transmit to the state agency the original~~ a copy of the application together with such information and records as the state agency shall require. The state agency shall make such investigation as it deems necessary appropriate and shall if necessary make an order determining the county responsible for payment and referring the application to such county for appropriate action, including reimbursement by such county of any assistance which another county has provided to the applicant in accordance with this subdivision. A copy of the order of the state agency shall be mailed to the county found responsible and to the applicant. The order shall be binding and shall be complied with unless reversed on appeal and shall be complied with pending any appeal. Any order of the state agency hereunder may be appealed in the manner provided by section 256.21, subdivision 2.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.54, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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Subd. 3. TRANSFER. If upon the investigation provided for in section 256.51 the county agency decides that the application was not filed in the county from which the applicant is entitled to receive assistance but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall, while providing assistance to the applicant, transmit to the state agency and to the county it decides is responsible for the payment of assistance a copy of the application and of such other information and records as the state agency shall require. The state agency shall make such investigation as it deems appropriate and shall, if necessary, make an order determining the county responsible for payment of such assistance and referring the application to such county for appropriate action, including reimbursement by such county of any assistance which another county has provided to the applicant in accordance with this subdivision. Such an order shall be binding and shall be complied with unless reversed on appeal and shall be complied with pending any appeal. An order of the state agency made under the provisions of this subdivision may be appealed in the manner provided by section 256.60, subdivision 2.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.76, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

~~Subd. 2. If upon the investigation the county agency shall decide decides that the application was not filed in the county from which the dependent child is entitled to receive assistance under section 256.73, subdivision 4, but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall transfer the application and all records of its investigation to the county decided to be responsible for the payment of assistance. Thereupon the latter county shall proceed in the same manner as though the application had been originally filed with it. If, after prompt investigation, the agency of the county to which the application is transferred decides that county is not responsible for the payment of assistance, it shall while providing assistance to the applicant in accordance with subdivision 1 of this section, transmit to the state agency and to the agency of the county it believes responsible for payment of such assistance a copy of the original application together with such information and records as the state agency shall require. The state agency shall make such investigation as it deems necessary appropriate and shall, if necessary, make an order determining the county responsible for payment and referring the application to such county for appropriate action, including reimbursement by such county of any assistance which another county has provided to the applicant in accordance with this subdivision. A copy of the order of the state agency shall be mailed to the county found responsible and to the applicant. The order shall be binding and shall be complied with unless reversed on appeal and shall be complied with pending any appeal. Any order of the state agency hereunder may be appealed in the manner provided by section 256.77, subdivisions 3 to 6.~~

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Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256.19, Subdivision 4, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 682—S.F.No.2590

[Not Coded]

An act relating to Anoka county; providing for the establishment and maintenance of a personnel system on a merit basis; providing for the selection, promotion, severance, tenure of office and compensation of Anoka county employees; establishing a county personnel appeals board and authorizing the county board of Anoka county to make necessary appropriations.

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

Section 1. **ANOKA COUNTY; MERIT BASIS PERSONNEL SYSTEM; PURPOSE.** The purpose of this act is to authorize the establishment of a personnel department in and for the county of Anoka to promote and improve the economy and effectiveness of the governmental departments under its jurisdiction by the improvement of methods of personnel administration under the principles of a merit system of personnel administration, which shall include a uniform system of job classifications, uniform procedures and standards for hiring, promotion, salary administration and other matters.

Sec. 2. **DEFINITION OF TERMS.** Subdivision 1. For the purposes of this act, unless the context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the terms defined in this section have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. "Director" means the director of the department of personnel.

Subd. 3. "Personnel department" means the personnel director and his employees engaged in the administration of the personnel department.

Subd. 4. "Appointing authority" means the head of a department, division, board, commission, person or group of persons who have the power by law or by lawfully delegated authority to make appointments to positions in the county service within the scope of this act.

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