

256.976 PUBLIC WELFARE; FOSTER GRANDPARENTS PROGRAM. Subdivision 1. There is established a ~~pilot~~ foster grandparents program which will engage the services of low income persons aged 60 or over to provide supportive person to person assistance in health, education, welfare, and related fields to ~~young people persons~~ receiving care in resident group homes for dependent and neglected persons, ~~preschool~~ day care centers or other public or private nonprofit institutions or agencies providing care for neglected and disadvantaged ~~children~~ persons who lack close personal relationships.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 256.976, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. The governor's citizen council on aging, hereinafter called the council, may make grants-in-aid for the employment of foster grandparents to qualified resident group homes for dependent and neglected persons, ~~preschool~~ day care centers and other public or nonprofit private institutions and agencies providing care for neglected and disadvantaged ~~young~~ persons who lack close personal relationships. Agencies and institutions seeking aid shall apply on a form prescribed by the council. Priority shall be given to agencies and institutions providing care for retarded children. Grants shall not be made to local public or nonprofit agencies until 40 percent of the recognized need for foster grandparents within state institutions has been met. Grants shall be for a period of 12 months or less, and grants to local public and nonprofit agencies or institutions shall be based on 90 percent state, and 10 percent local sharing of program expenditures authorized by the council. Grants shall not be used to match other state ~~or federal~~ funds nor shall any person paid from grant funds be used to replace any staff member of the grantee. Grants may be used to match federal funds. Each grantee shall file a semiannual report with the council at the time and containing such information as the council shall prescribe.

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CHAPTER 303—H.F.No.532

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to insurance; accident and health insurance policies, and health service plans; requiring health insurance coverage for newborn infants immediately from the moment of birth; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Chapter 62A, by adding a

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section; Sections 62A.10, Subdivision 2; and 62C.14, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Chapter 62A, is amended by adding a section to read:

[62A.042] INSURANCE; NEWBORN INFANT COVERAGE.
Subdivision 1. INDIVIDUAL FAMILY POLICIES; RENEWALS.
No policy of individual accident and sickness insurance which provides for insurance for more than one person under section 62A.03, subdivision 1, clause (3), shall be renewed to insure any person in this state or be delivered or issued for delivery to any person in this state unless such policy includes as insured members of the family any newborn infants immediately from the moment of birth and thereafter which insurance shall provide coverage for illness, injury, congenital malformation or premature birth.

Subd. 2. GROUP POLICIES; RENEWALS. No group accident and sickness insurance policy which provides for coverage of family members or other dependents of an employee or other member of the covered group shall be renewed to cover members of a group located in this state or delivered or issued for delivery in this state unless such policy includes as insured family members or dependents any newborn infants immediately from the moment of birth and thereafter which insurance shall provide coverage for illness, injury, congenital malformation or premature birth.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 62A.10, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. POLICY FORMS. No policy of group accident and health insurance may be issued or delivered in this state unless the same has been approved by the commissioner in accordance with section 62A.02, subdivisions 1 to 6. These forms shall contain the standard provisions relating and applicable to health and accident insurance and shall conform with the other requirements of law relating to the contents and terms of policies of accident and sickness insurance in so far as they may be applicable to group accident and health insurance, and also the following provisions:

(1) **ENTIRE CONTRACT.** A provision that the policy and the application of the employer, or executive officer or trustee of any association, and the individual applications, if any, of the employees or members insured, shall constitute the entire contract between the parties, and that all statements made by the employer or any executive officer or trustee in behalf of the group to be insured, shall, in the absence of fraud, be deemed representations and not warranties, and that no such statement shall be used in defense to a claim under the policy, unless it is contained in the written application;

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(2) **MASTER POLICY-CERTIFICATES.** A provision that the insurer will issue a master policy to the employer, or to the executive officer or trustee of the association; and the insurer shall also issue to the employer or to the executive officer or trustee of the association, for delivery to the employee or member who is insured under the policy, an individual certificate setting forth a statement as to the insurance protection to which he is entitled and to whom payable, together with a statement as to when and where the master policy, or a copy thereof, may be seen for inspection by the individual insured; this individual certificate may contain the names of, and insure the dependents of, the employee or member, as provided for herein;

(3) **NEW INSUREDS.** A provision that to the group or class thereof originally insured may be added, from time to time, all new employees of the employer or members of the association eligible to and applying for insurance in that group or class and covered or to be covered by the master policy.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 62C.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 14. No subscriber's individual contract or any group contract which provides for coverage of family members or other dependents of a subscriber or of an employee or other group member of a group subscriber, shall be renewed, delivered, or issued for delivery in this state unless such contract includes as covered family members or dependents any newborn infants immediately from the moment of birth and thereafter which insurance shall provide coverage for illness, injury, congenital malformation or premature birth.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATES.** As to policies or contracts of accident and sickness insurance delivered or issued for delivery for the first time on or after January 1, 1974, this act shall become effective on January 1, 1974; as to policies or contracts already in force on January 1, 1974, this act shall become effective on the first renewal or premium anniversary following January 1, 1974.

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CHAPTER 304—H.F.No.535

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the firemen's relief association in the city of Coon Rapids; providing for a tax levy.

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