

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 253A.08, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **HOSPITALIZATION AND COMMITMENT; PATIENTS' RIGHTS.** Any person, when admitted to an institution of the veterans administration or other federal agency within or without this state, shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the veterans administration or other federal agency, except that nothing in this section shall deprive any such person of rights secured to patients of state mental hospitals by section 253A.16.

Approved March 15, 1974.

CHAPTER 163—S.F.No.2586
[Not Coded]

An act relating to Clay county; authorizing expenditure of federal revenue sharing funds for certain purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **CLAY COUNTY; EXPENDITURES.** The county of Clay may expend funds received from the federal government under the state and local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972 (Title 1, Public Law 92-512) for the purpose of making grants to municipalities within the county to be used for the construction and equipping of municipal fire departments or other community projects. These grants may terminate upon expiration of said federal act.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon approval by the Clay county board of commissioners and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 15, 1974.

CHAPTER 164—S.F.No.2684
[Not Coded]

An act authorizing the city of Fairmont to designate, regulate, maintain, and improve streets in the central business district as a mall and to levy special assessments and taxes and issue bonds for this purpose; amending Laws 1965, Chapter 70, Section 1, Subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; repealing Laws 1965, Chapter 70, Section 1, Subdivision 2, and Section 2, Subdivision 2.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. Laws 1965, Chapter 70, Section 1, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **FAIRMONT, CITY OF; PEDESTRIAN MALL.** Subdivision 1. The city of Fairmont in Martin county may, by ordinance adopted by its council in accordance with the city charter and this section, designate one or more streets within its central business district as a mall ~~for primarily pedestrian use~~ and may thereafter establish, regulate, maintain, and improve the mall for such use and may levy special assessments and taxes and issue bonds for those purposes. Nothing in this act shall be construed to restrict the use of any such mall to pedestrian traffic only, and wherever in this act there is reference to a pedestrian mall, the reference shall be construed to apply to and permit the establishment of a mall for general use.

Sec. 2. Laws 1965, Chapter 70, Section 1, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. The mall ordinance may be adopted if the council determines upon hearing as provided in this section, and recites in the ordinance, that the proposed mall will enhance the freedom of movement, safety, convenience, or enjoyment of individuals. The ordinance shall specify the street or streets to be included within the mall and shall state that the council intends to begin proceedings to finance the cost of establishing the mall by special assessments as provided in subdivision 3 of this section.

Sec. 3. Laws 1965, Chapter 70, Section 1, Subdivision 2, and Section 2, Subdivision 2, are repealed.

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon its approval by the members of the council of the city of Fairmont, and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 15, 1974.

CHAPTER 165—S.F.No.2688

An act relating to referees in certain probate courts; granting additional powers; amending Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 525.10.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 525.10, is amended to read:

525.10 PROBATE COURT; REFEREE; APPOINTMENT; BOND. The judge of the probate court of any county in this state now or here-
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