resolution, the town clerk shall prorate the cost thereof upon the basis of an equal sum per front foot and shall notify by mail each owner the amount thereof.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 375.35, is amended to read:

375.35 APPROPRIATION TO MILITARY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES. The several county boards in this state are hereby empowered, in addition to the power now conferred on them by law, to appropriate annually not to exceed \$50 to each post of a recognized military service men's persons' organization or society, holding charter from congress or incorporated in this state, organized and existing in their respective counties, for defraying the expenses of Memorial Day exercises.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 376.61, is amended to read:

376.61 PERSONS ADMISSIBLE. No male-person under the age of 17 years or female under the age of 18 years shall be kept in a county nursing home. No person shall be required to become an inmate of any county nursing home as a condition, wholly or in part, of any public assistance grant.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 447.04, is amended to read:

447.04 **CHARITY BUREAU.** The council of any village now or hereafter having a population of more than 8,000, may establish and maintain a public charity bureau for the purpose of providing public charitable relief to the poor therein, and to assist ex-service men-persons in securing hospitalization, sick relief, federal aid or benefits, and for the relief generally of such persons, and to defray the expense thereof.

Sec. 17. This act shall be effective on the day following its final enactment.

Approved March 15, 1974.

## CHAPTER 162-S.F.No.2449

An act relating to hospitalization and commitment; securing equal rights of administrative review for patients in federal hospitals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 253A.08, Subdivision 2.

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

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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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