

~~said-Ramsey~~ county who are otherwise entitled to representation, when it shall appear to the court that the person to be so represented is unable, by reason of poverty, to procure counsel.

Sec. 24. Laws 1969, Chapter 838, Section 3, is amended to read:

Sec. 3. **COMPENSATION.** The public defender and his assistants ~~shall are entitled to~~ receive ~~such-the~~ compensation for their services as a majority of the judges of the district court ~~shall~~ fix, subject to the approval of the Ramsey county board of commissioners, ~~such-this~~ compensation to be paid by the county in the same manner and at the same time as the salaries of other county officials.

Sec. 25. Laws 1969, Chapter 839, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT; SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT; DUTIES.** In ~~Ramsey county-the~~ second judicial district when any civil case is transferred from the district court to ~~any-a~~ municipal or county court, the clerk of the district court, upon receipt of an order for ~~such-the~~ transfer, shall forward the file and all fees ~~there-tofore~~ collected by him with respect to ~~such-the~~ case to the clerk of the transferee court.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Sections 260.305 and 485.015; Laws 1923, Chapter 77, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9; and Laws 1925, Chapter 52, are repealed.

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**CHAPTER 323—S.F.No.2516**  
[Coded]

*An act relating to official records; alternate methods of creation, maintenance and storage of information contained therein.*

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

Section 1. [15.171] **OFFICIAL RECORDS; COMPILATION, MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE OF INFORMATION.** Notwithstanding any other law, any public officer who has jurisdiction over a collection of official records may select and use, subject to the approval of the commissioner of administration, alternative methods for the compilation, maintenance and storage of the information contained in those records, subject to the following conditions:

(1) The methods selected must provide for access to the information contained in the records by those authorized by law to have access to that information; and

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(2) The methods selected must provide for the preservation of the information contained in the records to the extent specified by law.

**Sec. 2. [15.172] APPROVAL OF ALTERNATE METHOD.** At least 90 days prior to the date upon which he proposes to put into effect an alternate method of compilation, maintenance, and storage of records, the public official shall submit a description of the proposed method and the reasons for adopting it to the commissioner of administration. If the commissioner of administration finds that the proposed method complies with the conditions specified in section 1, he shall approve its use; if not, he shall disapprove its use. A failure of the commissioner of administration to act before the date upon which the public official proposes to put the alternative method into effect shall be deemed a disapproval of that method.

**Sec. 3. [15.173] NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE METHOD.** Whenever the commissioner of administration approves an alternate method of compilation, maintenance and storage, he shall maintain a written notice of that approval, the date of taking effect of the alternate method, a description of the method and the reasons for its adoption in his office as a public record. In the case of a record having less than statewide significance, the public official having jurisdiction over the records shall file a written notice containing the same information as the notice maintained by the commissioner of administration with the county auditor, clerk or other similar recording officer of the affected governmental subdivision and such notices shall also be maintained as public records.

**Sec. 4. [15.174] RECORDS NOW IN USE.** Notwithstanding section 1, any public official using an alternate method of compilation, maintenance and storage of a record on the effective date of this act may continue to use that alternate method unless and until that method is expressly disapproved by the commissioner of administration. Such an official shall file a description of the method and the reasons for its use on or before the effective date of this act. Failure of the commissioner of administration to approve or disapprove such a method within 90 days shall be deemed an approval. Notice of such methods shall be filed as required in section 3.

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**CHAPTER 324—S.F.No.2611**  
**[Not Coded]**

*An act relating to state lands; directing conveyance and release of a certain reversionary interest and right of re-entry to previously conveyed lands in Carlton county.*

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MIN-**

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