

active county employees.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon approval by the Hennepin county board and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 16, 1975.

CHAPTER 154—H.F.No.1175

[Coded]

An act relating to education; school districts; data processing services; authorizing joint boards to hold title to property.

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

Section 1. [123.73] **EDUCATION; SCHOOL DISTRICTS; DATA PROCESSING BY JOINT BOARD, ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.** Any joint board formed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59 by two or more school districts, however organized, for the purpose in whole or in part of establishing or providing data processing services may acquire, transfer and hold title to real and personal property to the extent and in the manner as is authorized by law for independent school districts. For purposes of acquiring, transferring and holding title to real and personal property, such joint board shall be considered a separate governmental entity.

Sec. 2. This act is effective on the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 16, 1975.

CHAPTER 155—S.F.No.1015

An act relating to commerce; providing qualifications for legal newspapers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 331.02, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 331.02, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

331.02 COMMERCE; LEGAL NEWSPAPER. Subdivision 1. **QUALIFICATIONS.** In order to be qualified as a medium of official and legal publication, a newspaper shall:

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(1) Be printed in the English language in newspaper format and in column and sheet form equivalent in printed space to at least 900 square inches;

(2) If a weekly, be distributed at least once each week for 50 weeks each year, or if a daily, at least five days each week; but in any week in which a legal holiday is included, not more than four issues of a daily paper are necessary;

(3) Have 25 percent, if published more often than weekly, or 50 percent, if a weekly, of its news columns devoted to news of local interest to the community which it purports to serve, and it may contain general news, comment, and miscellany, but not wholly duplicate any other publication, or be made up entirely of patents, plate matter, and advertisements;

(4) Be circulated in and near the municipality which it purports to serve, and have at least 500 copies regularly delivered to paying subscribers, and have an average of at least 75 percent of its total circulation currently paid or no more than three months in arrears and have entry as second-class matter in its local post-office;

(5) Have its known office of issue established in the county in which lies, in whole or in part, the municipality which the newspaper purports to serve;

(6) File a copy of each issue immediately with the state historical society;

(6a) Be made available at single or subscription prices to any person, corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association requesting the newspaper and making the applicable payment;

(7) Have complied with all the foregoing conditions of this subdivision for at least two years one year last past;

(8) File with the secretary of state, prior to January 1 of each year, an affidavit signed by the publisher or managing officer and sworn to before a notary public stating that the newspaper is a legal newspaper. The form of the affidavit shall be prescribed by the secretary of state.

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following its final enactment, except that the provisions of clause (7) of section 1 shall not apply to clause (6a) of section 1 until one year after the effective date of this act.

Approved May 16, 1975.

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