- (e) (d) If there be no parent or guardian qualified to consent to the adoption, the consent may be given by the commissioner.
- (f)—(e) The commissioner or agency having authority to place a child for adoption pursuant to section 259.25, subdivision 1, shall have the exclusive right to consent to the adoption of such child.
- Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 517.03, is amended to read:
- 517.03 MARRIAGES PROHIBITED. No marriage shall be contracted while either of the parties has a husband or wife living: nor within six months after either has been divorced from a former spouse: excepting re-intermarriage between such parties; nor within six months after either was a party to a marriage which has been adjudged a nullity, excepting intermarriage between such parties; nor between parties who are nearer than second cousins, whether of the half or whole blood, computed by the rules of the civil law; nor between persons either one of whom is imbeeile, feeble-minded, or insane; nor between persons one of whom is a male person under 18 years of age or one of whom is a female person under the age of 16 years; provided. however, that mentally deficient persons committed to the guardianship of the commissioner of public welfare and mentally deficient persons committed to the conservatorship of the commissioner of public welfare in which the terms of the conservatorship limit the right to marry, may marry on receipt of written consent of the commissioner. The commissioner may shall grant such consent if unless it appears from his investigation that such marriage is for not in the best interest of the ward or conservatee and the public. The clerk of the district court in the county where the application for a license is made by such ward or conservatee shall not issue the license unless and until he has received a signed copy of the consent of the commissioner of public welfare.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Sections 253A.07, Subdivision 18; 253A.13; and 256.07 are repealed.

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CHAPTER 209---H.F.No.49

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the city of Duluth and the town of Herman; authorizing the rendering of emergency service by a physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedic; granting limited immunity from civil liability for paramedics and physicians advising or instructing paramedics.

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

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- Section 1. DULUTH, CITY OF; TOWN OF HERMAN; PAR-AMEDIC MOBILE UNIT; DEFINITIONS. As used in sections 1 to 6, "physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedic" means a person who:
- (1) Is an employee of the city of Duluth or the town of Herman, a licensed ambulance company;
- (2) Has been specially trained in emergency cardiac and noncardiac care by a licensed physician in a training program certified by the state board of health or the state board of medical examiners and is certified by the state board of health or the state board of medical examiners as qualified to render the emergency lifesaving services enumerated herein.
- Sec. 2. The city of Duluth and the town of Herman are authorized to maintain a staff of physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedics.
- Sec. 3. Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedics may do any of the following:
 - (1) Render rescue, first aid and resuscitation services;
- (2) During training, administer parenteral medications under the direct supervision of a licensed physician or a registered nurse;
- (3) Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation in a pulseless, nonbreathing patient;
 - (4) Administer intravenous saline or glucose solutions;
- (5) Administer parenteral injections in any of the following classes of drugs,
 - (a) antiarrythmic agents:
 - (b) vagolytic agents;
 - (c) chronotropic agents;
 - (d) analgesic agents;
 - (e) alkalinizing agents;
 - (f) vasopressor agents;
 - (g) diuretics;
- (6) Administer, perform and apply all other procedures, drugs and

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skills in which they have been trained and are certified to give, apply and dispense.

At all times before undertaking the actions authorized by clauses (3), (4), (5) and (6), paramedics shall make and continue to make, during the course of an emergency, attempts to establish voice communications with and receive instructions from a licensed physician who has been associated with the dispensing of emergency cardiac and noncardiac medical care. Additionally, the paramedics shall make and continue to make, during the course of what they believe to be a cardiac emergency, attempts to telemeter to a licensed physician, who has been associated with the dispensing of cardiac medical care, an electrocardiogram of the person being treated.

- Subd. 2. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to change existing law as it relates to delegation by a licensed physician of acts, tasks or functions to persons other than physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedics.
- Sec. 4. No licensed physician or registered nurse, who in good faith and in the exercise of reasonable care gives emergency instructions to a certified physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedic at the scene of an emergency, or while in transit to and from the scene of such emergency, shall be liable for any civil damages as a result of issuing such instructions.
- Sec. 5. No certified physician's trained mobile intensive care paramedic, who in good faith and in the exercise of reasonable care renders emergency lifesaving care and treatment as set forth in this act, shall be liable for any civil damages because of rendering the care and treatment.
- Sec. 6. PAYMENT FOR PARAMEDIC SERVICE. Subdivision 1. The governing body of the city of Duluth and the governing body of the town of Herman, in conjunction with the operation of its emergency or paramedic ambulance program, may impose reasonable charges for the emergency or paramedic ambulance services in order to finance its costs.
- Subd. 2. The following persons shall not be subject to such charges:
- (i) Any person who is eligible for or receiving public assistance under the aid to families with dependent children program, but is not eligible for any federally, state or locally funded public assistance program which would pay for such charges nor has medical, health or accident insurance policies which would pay for such charges; or
- (ii) Any person who, except for the amount of income or resources would qualify for aid to families with dependent children, is in need of medical assistance but is not eligible for any federally, state or

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locally funded public assistance program which would pay for such charges nor has medical, health or accident insurance policies which would pay for such charges; or

- (iii) Any person over 18 years of age, in need of medical care that neither he nor his relatives responsible under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 256B.01 to 256B.26 are financially able to provide, is not eligible for any federally, state or locally funded public assistance program which would pay for such charges and has no medical, health or accident insurance policies which would pay for such charges.
- Sec. 7. This act is effective for the city of Duluth only after its approval by the governing body of the city of Duluth, and for the town of Herman only after its approval by the governing body of the town of Herman, and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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CHAPTER 210—H.F.No.68

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to public welfare; juveniles; requiring the appointment of a guardian ad litem for certain proceedings; providing for payment of guardian ad litem fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Sections 260.251, by adding a subdivision; and 260.155, Subdivision 4.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 260.155, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. PUBLIC WELFARE; JUVENILES; GUARDIAN AD LITEM. (a) The court shall appoint a guardian ad litem to protect the interests of the minor when it appears, at any stage of the proceedings, that the minor is without a parent or guardian, or that his parent is a minor or incompetent, or that his parent or guardian is indifferent or hostile to the minor's interests, and in every proceeding alleging neglect or dependency. In any other case the court may appoint a guardian ad litem to protect the interests of the minor when the court feels that such an appointment is desirable. The court shall appoint the guardian ad litem on its own motion or in the manner provided for the appointment of a guardian ad litem in the district court.
- (b) The court may waive the appointment of a guardian ad litem pursuant to section 260.155, subdivision 4, clause (a), whenever counsel has been appointed pursuant to section 260.155, subdivision 2 or is retained otherwise, and the court is satisfied that the interests of the

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