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(b) Enter into contracts with third parties to perform some or all of the duties imposed on the commissioner by sections 3 and 4 of this article.

Sec. 5. **[62E.55] APPEALS.** The final decision of the commissioner denying an application for status as an eligible person or denying all or part of the charges for a health service may be appealed by any interested party pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 15.

Sec. 6. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This article is effective July 1, 1977.

Approved April 13, 1976.

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## CHAPTER 297—S.F.No.354

[Coded]

*An act relating to drivers' licenses; providing a new category of alcohol-related offenses; aggravated violations for driving after cancellation, suspension or revocation; providing a penalty; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Chapter 171, by adding a section.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Chapter 171, is amended by adding a section to read:

**[171.245] DRIVERS' LICENSES; ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES; DRIVING AFTER REVOCATION; AGGRAVATED VIOLATIONS.** Any person who operates a motor vehicle, the operation of which requires a driver's license, upon the highways in this state in violation of section 169.121 while the driver's license or driver's privilege is cancelled, suspended or revoked (1) because of the operation of a motor vehicle while the person was under the influence of alcohol or a narcotic drug; or while the person's blood had an alcohol content above a prescribed level; (2) because the person operated a motor vehicle which contained an open bottle containing an intoxicating liquor or non-intoxicating malt liquor which had been opened; or (3) because the person refused to take a test which determines the alcoholic content in his blood when requested to do so by a proper authority, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

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