

agricultural practices, other than those required for the maintenance of a permanent growth of grass, shall be permitted on any portion of the land acquired for this purpose and it shall be the duty of the authority having jurisdiction over the repair and maintenance of the ditch system to supervise all necessary reseeded and funds ~~may~~ shall be expended for the perpetration of the growth of grass in the same manner as for the other ditch repairs. Harvest of grass from the grass strip in any manner not harmful to the grass or ditch shall be the privilege of the fee owner or his assigns, subject to such regulations as the county ditch inspector shall establish for the harvesting of grass.

Sec. 10. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 19, 1977.

CHAPTER 136—S.F.No.499

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the operation of state government; providing for a study on improving public access to state services and facilities; requiring a report.

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

Section 1. STATE GOVERNMENT; PUBLIC ACCESS TO STATE SERVICES; PREPARATION OF REPORT. The commissioner of administration shall prepare a report which proposes specific methods for improving public access to state offices. The commissioner shall concentrate his study on those offices which regularly receive and record documents, issue licenses or permits, or provide other services to citizens of the state. The commissioner shall evaluate alternative methods for improving access, which include among others, extending office hours past normal business hours, creating a central telephone information referral service, providing for telephone answering services during other than normal business hours, improving parking capabilities near state offices, installing information signs in and near state buildings, providing expanded receptionist services, opening multifunctional state service offices in areas where existing state offices and services are not now readily accessible to the public, and implementing citizen complaint review procedures.

Sec. 2. LICENSING CENTER. As part of this study, the commissioner shall specifically evaluate the feasibility of a one-stop licensing center, located in the Twin City area away from the capitol complex. The licensing center would permit a person to obtain at one location at least the following licenses:

- (a) Passenger car and truck licenses;
- (b) Drivers' licenses;
- (c) Boat, snowmobile and trailer licenses;

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- (d) Fishing, hunting, ricing and trapping licenses;
- (e) Recreational vehicle licenses;
- (f) Bicycle registration and licenses;
- (g) Motorcycle licenses; and
- (h) Mobile home licenses.

In making his evaluation of the licensing center, the commissioner shall consult with and be assisted by commissioners of affected departments.

Sec. 3. **CRITERIA.** In preparing the report referred to in sections 1 and 2, the commissioner shall consider (1) the degree to which public access would be improved by the alternative methods, (2) the cost of alternative methods of improving access, (3) existing statutes, rules and collective bargaining agreements pertaining to state employees, (4) the availability and cost of security for state owned or rented facilities during other than normal business hours, and (5) opportunities for efficient and economical sharing of facilities and personnel by state agencies. Where possible, the commissioner shall propose methods for improving access which require redistribution of personnel and facilities rather than expenditure of additional state funds.

Sec. 4. **SUBMISSION OF REPORT.** The commissioner shall, no later than November 15, 1977, submit copies of the report to the governor and the legislature pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 3.195.

Sec. 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved May 19, 1977.

CHAPTER 137—S.F.No.616

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to the disposition of unclaimed property; changing certain definitions; changing the length of time unclaimed property must be held before disposition; changing certain disposition procedures; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 345.31, Subdivisions 3 and 6; 345.32; 345.33; 345.35; 345.37; 345.39; 345.41; 345.43; 345.47; and Chapter 345, by adding sections; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 55.14.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 345.31, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.** "Business association"

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