

Subd. 3a. Participants in the work equity program shall be paid at the same wage rates as public employees doing similar work or at the prevailing minimum wage, whichever is greater, however, the number of hours a participant works in the work equity program shall not be limited by the grant standards of the general assistance program.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. The commissioner or a local agency may contract with the federal government, or with any department, agency, subdivision or instrumentality of the state, for the services of general assistance work program recipients on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, with or without consideration paid to the local agency. In a county where the work equity program is in operation, the commissioner shall have the sole authority to contract with the federal government and with any other state department, and no consideration shall be paid to the local agency, except for consideration attributable to additional administration expenses. The contract agreed upon by the commissioner shall provide for the necessary methods of funding work equity program jobs, which methods may include a transfer of state and local agency general assistance grant moneys directly to the governor's manpower office. The contract may provide that an intended recipient may receive a pay check equal to or greater than his designated amount of assistance instead of receiving his grant.

Approved May 26, 1977.

CHAPTER 302—H.F.No.1518

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An act relating to Independent School District No. 272 (Eden Prairie) and Independent School District No. 271 (Bloomington); providing for the transfer of territory from Independent School District No. 272 to Independent School District No. 271.

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

Section 1. **INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS NOS. 272 AND 271; TRANSFER OF TERRITORY.** All that part of Independent School District No. 272 lying south of U. S. Interstate Highway No. 494 and east of County Road No. 18 and lying within the city of Bloomington is hereby detached from Independent School District No. 272, whose principal office is at Eden Prairie, and is annexed to Independent School District No. 271, whose principal office is at Bloomington.

Sec. 2. The property described in section 1 shall remain subject to taxation for all bonded indebtedness of Independent School District No. 272 outstanding on the effective date of this act, and shall not become subject to taxation for any bonded indebtedness of Independent School District No. 271 outstanding on the effective date of this act. However, such property shall not be subject to taxation for payment of principal or interest on state loans granted or to be granted to Independent School District No. 272.

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Sec. 3. This act shall become effective upon its approval by resolutions adopted by a majority of all members of the school board of Independent School District No. 272 and by a majority of all members of the school board of Independent School District No. 271, and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 26, 1977.

CHAPTER 303—S.F.No.49

An act relating to business or agricultural loans; rate of interest therein; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 334.011, Subdivisions 1 and 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 334.011, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

334.011 **BUSINESS OR AGRICULTURAL LOANS; INTEREST.** Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 334.01 or other law to the contrary; ~~a lending institution which pursuant to U.S. Public Law 93-504 is authorized to charge an interest rate for certain loans in excess of the rate otherwise permitted by state law a lender may,~~ in the case of loans for business or agricultural purposes, charge on any loan or discount made or upon any note, bill or other evidence of debt, interest at a rate of not more than ~~five~~ four and one-half percent in excess of the discount rate on 90 day commercial paper in effect at the Federal Reserve bank in the Federal Reserve district encompassing Minnesota.

For the purposes of this subdivision, the term "business" means a commercial or industrial enterprise which is carried on for the purpose of active or passive investment or profit.

For the purposes of this subdivision, the term "agricultural" means the production, harvest, exhibition, marketing, transportation, processing, or manufacture of agricultural products, including horticultural, viticultural, and dairy products, livestock, wildlife, poultry, bees, forest products, fish and shellfish, and any parts thereof, including processed and manufactured products, and any and all products raised or produced on farms and any processed or manufactured products thereof.

No loan shall be made pursuant to this subdivision if the proceeds of the loan are used to finance the purchase or maintenance of real estate used principally for residential purposes.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 334.011, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. This section is effective the day following final enactment ~~and shall expire~~
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