

299B.04 CRIME VICTIMS; AMOUNT OF REPARATIONS. Reparations shall equal economic loss except that:

(1) reparations shall be reduced to the extent that economic loss is recouped from a collateral source or collateral sources;

(2) reparations shall be reduced to the extent, if any, that the board deems reasonable because of the contributory misconduct of the claimant or of a victim through whom he claims and by the first \$100 of economic loss; and

(3) reparations paid to all claimants suffering economic loss as the result of the injury or death of any one victim shall not exceed ~~\$10,000~~ \$25,000.

Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION. The sums set forth in this section are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for the payment of increased crime victims' reparations as provided for by this act, to be available for the fiscal year ending June 30 in the years indicated.

1978	1979
<u>\$75,000</u>	<u>\$75,000</u>

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act applies to claims arising as a result of crimes committed or attempted on or after July 1, 1977.

Approved June 2, 1977.

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No chapter was numbered 357 for the 1977 legislative session.

CHAPTER 358—H.F.No.129

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to education; directing the higher education coordinating board to monitor and study credit transferability, the acceptance of credits at full value, and the placing of certain credits on transcripts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 136A.04; and Chapter 136A, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 136A.04, is amended to read:

136A.04 HIGHER EDUCATION; CREDIT TRANSFER; COORDINATING BOARD; DUTIES. The higher education coordinating board shall:

(a) Continuously study and analyze all phases and aspects of higher education,
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both public and private, and develop necessary plans and programs to meet present and future needs of the people of the state in respect thereto;

(b) Continuously engage in long range planning of the needs of higher education and, if necessary, cooperatively engage in such planning with neighboring states and agencies of the federal government;

(c) Act as successor to any committee or commission heretofore authorized to engage in exercising any of the powers and duties prescribed by sections 136A.01 to 136A.07;

(d) Review, make recommendations and identify priorities with respect to all plans and proposals for new or additional programs of instruction or substantial changes in existing programs to be established in or offered by, the University of Minnesota, the state universities, the community colleges, and public area vocational-technical institutes, and private collegiate and non-collegiate institutions offering post-secondary education, and periodically review existing programs offered in or by the above institutions and recommend discontinuing or modifying any existing program, the continuation of which is judged by the board as being unnecessary or a needless duplication of existing programs;

(e) Develop in cooperation with the post-secondary systems, committee on appropriations of the house of representatives, committee on finance of the senate, and the departments of administration and finance a compatible budgetary reporting format designed to provide data of a nature to facilitate systematic review of the budget submissions of the University of Minnesota, the state university system, the state community college system and the public vocational technical schools; and which includes the relating of dollars to program output;

(f) Review budget requests, including plans for construction or acquisition of facilities, of the University of Minnesota, the state colleges, the state community colleges, and public vocational-technical schools for the purpose of relating present resources and higher educational programs to the state's present and long range needs; and conduct a continuous analysis of the financing of post-secondary institutions and systems, including the assessments as to the extent to which the expenditures and accomplishments are consistent with legislative intent;

(g) Obtain from private post-secondary institutions receiving state funds a report on their use of those funds;

(h) Continuously monitor and study the transferability between Minnesota post-secondary and higher education institutions of credits earned for equal and relevant work at those institutions, the degree to which credits earned at one institution are accepted at full value by the other institutions, and the policies of these institutions concerning the placement of these transferred credits on transcripts.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 136A, is amended by adding a section to read:

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[136A.042] CREDIT TRANSFERABILITY. The higher education coordinating board shall recommend to the various post-secondary and higher education systems and to the legislature measures which will increase transferability of credits between the institutions, which will improve student awareness of the credit transfer policies of each system or institution, and which will cause student transcripts to reflect credits earned at other post-secondary and higher education institutions. The higher education coordinating board is directed to encourage communications among faculty, staff and students at the various institutions in order to accomplish the purposes of this section.

Sec. 3. Prior to January 1, 1978 and January 1, 1979, the higher education coordinating board shall make reports to the appropriate committees of the legislature on its progress in accomplishing the purposes of sections 1 and 2 of this act and on its recommendations for further accomplishing these purposes.

Sec. 4. This act shall be effective the day following final enactment.

Approved June 2, 1977.

CHAPTER 359—H.F.No.157

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to public utilities; providing for refund of overcharges if certain rates become effective before approval by the public service commission; regulating inclusion of construction work in progress in rate bases; prohibiting approval of rates which make allowances for certain advertising expenses; delaying implementation of certain rate schedules; restricting approval of rates which make allowances for charitable contributions; regulating telephone company rates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 216B.16, Subdivisions 1, 2, and 6, and by adding subdivisions; and Chapter 237, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 237.08.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 216B.16, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

216B.16 PUBLIC UTILITIES; RATE CHANGES; PROCEDURE; HEARING.
Subdivision 1. Unless the commission otherwise orders, no public utility shall change any rate which has been duly established under ~~Laws 1974, Chapter 429~~ chapter 216B, except after ~~30~~ 90 days notice to the commission, which notice shall include statements of facts, expert opinions, substantiating documents, and exhibits, supporting the change requested, and further shall state the change proposed to be made in the rates then in force, and the time when the modified rates will go into effect. The ~~commission~~ filing utility shall give written notice, as approved by the commission, of the proposed change to the governing body of each municipality and county in the area affected. All proposed changes shall be shown by filing new schedules or shall be plainly indicated upon schedules on file and in force at the time.

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