CHAPTER 629-H.F.No.1884

An act relating to highway traffic regulations; prohibiting passing a school bus when it is stopped and is displaying stop signals; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.44, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.44, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.44 SCHOOL BUSES; STOP SIGNALS; CONDUCT OF OTHER VEHICLES. Subdivision 1. MEETING OR OVERTAKING BUSES; STOP SIGNALS; STOPPING. The driver of a vehicle upon a street or highway, upon meeting or overtaking from front or rear any school bus which has stopped on the street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children, shall stop the vehicle not less than 20 feet from the bus when the bus is stopped and is displaying an extended stop signal arm and flashing red signals and shall remain stopped until the school bus driver retracts the stop signal arm and extinguishes the flashing red signals. A failure to stop as required by this subdivision is a misdemeanor. Every school bus with a seating capacity in excess of 16 persons shall be equipped with a stop signal arm, pre-warning flashing amber signals and flashing red signals. The stop signal arm shall be used in conjunction with the flashing red signals only when the school bus is stopped on a street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children.

Vehicles district owned or under contract having a seating capacity of 16 or fewer persons transporting school children to or from school shall comply with state board of education rules and regulations relating to, but not limited to, construction, design, equipment, color, identification, and operation.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 630-H.F.No.1898

[Coded]

An act relating to the state civil service; providing on-the-job trial work experiences and noncompetitive appointment procedures for certain severely handicapped persons; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 43.20, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 43.20, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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Subd. 7. The commissioner shall establish test procedures for employment of persons whose handicaps are of such a severe nature that they are unable to demonstrate their abilities under the open competitive examination process. The procedures need not be adopted as rules but they must be consistent with other applicable laws, rules and duly adopted plans of the state relating to affirmative action. The test procedures shall consist of a 700 hour on-the-job trial work experience which will be in lieu of a competitive examination and for which the employee would be paid or unpaid at the employee's option. This work experience shall be limited to candidates who are mentally retarded, have severe hearing or visual impairments, are confined to wheelchairs, or have other impairments that comprise serious employment handicaps, and have been referred by a vocational rehabilitation, veterans administration, or services to the blind counselor. The commissioner may authorize an appointment to the classified service of an individual who has demonstrated the ability to perform the duties of a position through successful completion of the 700 hour work experience appointment.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 631-H.F.No.1900

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the city of Mound; firefighters' service pensions; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 175, Section 1, as amended.

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

Section 1. Laws 1973, Chapter 175, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1975, Chapter 117, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1976, Chapter 97, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. MOUND, CITY OF; VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION PENSIONS. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary of Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.06, the Mound volunteer fire department relief association shall pay to retired firemen firefighters and newly retiring firemen firefighters qualifying with 20 years of service and having attained the age of 50, a monthly annuity not to exceed \$120 \$145 per month. Payments to retired firefighters receiving a service pension on the effective date of this act may be made retroactive to January 1, 1975 1978.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon approval by the governing body of the city of Mound and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 28, 1978.

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