Section 1. [150A.21] REMOVABLE DENTAL PROSTHESES; OWNER IDENTIFICATION. Subdivision 1. Every complete upper and lower denture and removable dental prosthesis fabricated by a dentist licensed under Minnesota Statutes, Section 150A.06, or fabricated pursuant to his work order, shall be marked with the name and social security number of the patient for whom the prosthesis is intended. The markings shall be done during fabrication and shall be permanent, legible and cosmetically acceptable. The exact location of the markings and the methods used to apply or implant them shall be determined by the dentist or dental laboratory fabricating the prosthesis. If in the professional judgment of the dentist or dental laboratory, this identification is not practicable, identification shall be provided as follows:

(a) The social security number of the patient may be omitted if the name of the patient is shown;

(b) The initials of the patient may be shown alone, if use of the name of the patient is impracticable;

(c) The identification marks may be omitted in their entirety if none of the forms of identification specified in clauses (a) and (b) are practicable or clinically safe.

Subd. 2. Any removable dental prosthesis in existence prior to the effective date of this act, which was not marked in accordance with subdivision 1 at the time of its fabrication, shall be so marked at the time of any subsequent rebasing.

Subd. 3. The commissioner of health shall provide technical assistance for marking methods and materials and other matters necessary to effectuate the provisions of this section.

Subd. 4. Failure of any dentist to comply with this section shall be deemed to be a violation for which the dentist may be subject to proceedings pursuant to section 150A.08, provided that he is charged with the violation within two years of initial insertion of the dental prosthetic device.

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CHAPTER 717-S.F.No.1842

An act relating to the Minnesota historical society; providing for a liaison position; implementing the administration of a state humanities program; updating statutory provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 138.081, Subdivision 2; 138.17, Subdivision 1; 138.35, Subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 138.162.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 138.081, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. The director of the Minnesota historical society, as state historic preservation officer, shall be responsible for the preparation, implementation and administration of the state historic preservation plan and the federal historic preservation act (P.L. 89-665) and shall be the state liaison with the National Heritage Program. The director of the Minnesota historical society shall review and approve in writing all grants-in-aid for architectural, archaeological and historic preservation made by state agencies and funded by the state or a combination of state and federal funds in accordance with the state historic preservation plan.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 138.17, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

138.17 PUBLIC **RECORDS;** ADMINISTRATION. Subdivision 1. DESTRUCTION, PRESERVATION, REPRODUCTION OF RECORDS; PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE. The attorney general, legislative auditor and director of the Minnesota state historical society, hereinafter director, collectively referred to as the records disposition panel, if all consent, shall have power to direct the destruction, the sale for salvage or the disposition by gift to the Minnesota historical society or otherwise of public records as they may determine to be no longer of any value, and for the preservation of which no reason exists. The records disposition panel may by unanimous consent order any of such records to be reproduced by photographic or other means, and may make an order that such photographic or other reproductions be substituted for the originals thereof, and may direct the destruction or sale for salvage or other disposition of the originals from which the same were made. Any such photographic or other reproductions so made shall for all purposes be deemed the originals of such records so reproduced when so ordered by the records disposition panel, and shall be admissible as evidence in all courts and in proceedings of every kind. A facsimile, exemplified or certified copy of any such photographic or other reproduction, or any enlargement or reduction thereof, shall have the same effect and weight as evidence as would a certified or exemplified copy of the original. The records disposition panel, by unanimous consent, shall have power to direct the storage of any public records of the state, except as herein provided, and to direct the storage of such photographic or other reproductions. For the purposes of this chapter: (1) The term public "records" means state records, local records, all cards, correspondence, discs, maps, memoranda, microfilms, papers, photographs, recordings, reports, tapes, writings and other data, information or documentary material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, storage media or conditions of use, made or received by any officer or agency of the state and any officer or agency of a county, city, town, school district, municipal subdivision or corporation or other public authority or political entity within the state in pursuance of state law or in connection with the transaction of public business by such officer or agency; (2) The term "state record" means a record of a state agency; that is, a department, office, officer, commission, board or any other agency, however styled or designated, of the executive branch of state government; a record of the state legislature; a record of any court, whether of statewide or local jurisdiction; and any other record designated or treated as a state record under state law; (3) The term "local record" means a record of an agency of local government; that is, a county, city, town, school district, municipal subdivision or corporation or other public authority or political entity; (4) Not included within the definition of the term "records" as used in this chapter are data and information that does not become part of an official transaction, library and museum material made or acquired and kept solely for

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reference or exhibit purposes, extra copies of documents kept only for convenience of reference and stock of publications and processed documents, and bonds, coupons, or other obligations or evidences of indebtedness, the destruction or other disposition of which is governed by other laws; (5) Those records preserved or appropriate for preservation as evidence of the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations or other activities of government or because of the value of the information contained therein, when determined to have sufficient historical or other value to warrant continued preservation by the state of Minnesota and accepted for deposit in the collections of the Minnesota historical society, shall be known as the state archives.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 138.35, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

138.35 STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST. Subdivision 1. APPOINTMENT. The state archaeologist shall be a professional archaeologist on the staff of the university who is not employed by the Minnesota historical society and shall be appointed by the director board of the Minnesota historical society for a four year term.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 138.162 is repealed.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 718-S.F.No.1849

[Coded]

An act relating to education; adopting the Midwestern Education Compact; implementing the operation of such compact.

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

Section 1. [121.843] MIDWESTERN EDUCATION COMPACT. The Midwestern Education Compact is hereby entered into and enacted into law with all jurisdictions legally joining therein, in the form substantially as follows:

MIDWESTERN EDUCATION COMPACT

ARTICLE I

Purpose

The purpose of the Midwestern Education Compact shall be to provide greater educational opportunities and services utilizing both public and private institutions through the establishment and efficient operation and maintenance of coordinated educational programs and services for the citizens residing in the several states which are parties to this compact, with the aim of furthering access to and choice of education.

ARTICLE II

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