planning commission, but final approval or disapproval shall be the decision of the governing body of the municipality unless otherwise provided by law or charter. The regulations shall require that a public hearing shall be held on all subdivision applications prior to preliminary approval, unless otherwise provided by law or charter. The hearing shall be held following publication of notice of the time and place thereof in the official newspaper at least ten days before the day of the hearing. At the hearing, all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to make presentations. A subdivision application shall be preliminarily approved or disapproved within 120 days following delivery of an application completed in compliance with the municipal ordinance by the applicant to the municipality, unless an extension of the review period has been agreed to by the applicant. When a division or subdivision to which the regulations of the municipality shall within ten days certify that the subdivision regulations of the municipality do not apply to the particular division.

If the municipality or the responsible agency of the municipality fails to preliminarily approve or disapprove an application within the review period, the application shall be deemed preliminarily approved, and upon demand the municipality shall execute a certificate to that effect. Following preliminary approval the applicant may request final approval by the municipality, and upon such request the municipality shall certify final approval within 60 days if the applicant has complied with all conditions and requirements of applicable regulations and all conditions and requirements upon which the preliminary approval is expressly conditioned either through performance or the execution of appropriate agreements assuring performance. If the municipality fails to certify final approval as so required, and if the applicant has complied with all conditions and requirements, the application shall be deemed finally approved, and upon demand the municipality shall execute a certificate to that effect. After final approval a subdivision may be filed or recorded.

Sec. 3. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 462.358, Subdivision 4, is repealed. Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after final enactment.

Approved March 15, 1982

CHAPTER 416 - S.F.No. 1879

An act relating to state government; allowing for disclosures of information between the commissioner of revenue and the department of economic security; amending Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 268.12, Subdivision 12; and Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 290.61.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 268.12, Subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. INFORMATION, Except as hereinafter otherwise provided. information obtained from any employing unit or individual pursuant to the administration of sections 268.03 to 268.24, and from any determination as to the benefit rights of any individual shall be held confidential and shall not be disclosed or be open to public inspection in any manner revealing the individual's or employing unit's identity. Any claimant or other interested party (or his legal representative) shall be supplied with information from the records of the department of economic security, to the extent necessary for the proper presentation of his claim, contention or refutation of any claim in which he is an interested party in any proceeding under these sections with respect thereto. Subject to such restrictions as the commissioner may by regulation prescribe, such information may be made available to any agency of this or any other state, or any federal agency charged with the administration of an employment and security law or the maintenance of a system of public employment offices, any agency of this state which is required by law to provide statistical information to the bureau of labor statistics of the United States department of labor, any local human rights department within the state which has enforcement powers, or the Bureau of Internal Revenue of the United States Department of the Treasury, or the Minnesota department of revenue and information obtained in connection with administration of the employment service may be made available to persons or agencies for purposes appropriate to the operation of a public employment service. Upon request therefor, the commissioner shall furnish to any agency of the United States charged with the administration of public works or assistance through public employment, and may furnish to any state agency similarly charged, or any local human rights department within the state which has enforcement powers, the name, address, ordinary occupation, and employment status of each recipient of benefits and such recipient's rights to further benefits under these sections. The commissioner may request the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States to cause an examination of the correctness of any return or report of any national banking association rendered pursuant to the provisions of these sections, and may in connection with such request, transmit any such report or return to the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States as provided in section 3305(c) of the federal internal revenue code.

All letters, reports, communications, or any other matters, either oral or written, from an employer or his workers to each other or to the commissioner or any of his agents, representatives, or employees, which shall have been written or made in connection with the requirements and administration of sections 268.03 to 268.24 or the regulations thereunder, shall be absolutely privileged and shall not be made subject matter or basis for any suit for slander or libel in any court of this state.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 290.61, is amended to read:

290.61 PUBLICITY OF RETURNS, INFORMATION.

It shall be unlawful for the commissioner or any other public official or employee to divulge or otherwise make known in any manner any particulars set forth or disclosed in any report or return required by this chapter, or any information concerning, the taxpayer's affairs acquired from his or its records, officers, or employees while examining or auditing any taxpayer's liability for taxes imposed hereunder, except in connection with a proceeding involving taxes due under this chapter from the taxpayer making such return or to comply with the provisions of sections 290.612 and 302A.821. The commissioner may furnish a copy of any taxpayer's return to any official of the United States or of any state having duties to perform in respect to the assessment or collection of any tax imposed upon or measured by income, if such taxpayer is required by the laws of the United States or of such state to make a return therein. The commissioner may disclose information from withholding tax returns received from the taxpayer to the Minnesota department of economic security for purposes of auditing unemployment tax. Prior to the release of any information to any official of the United States or any other state or the department of economic security under the provisions of this section, the person to whom the information is to be released shall sign an agreement which provides that he will protect the confidentiality of the returns and information revealed thereby to the extent that it is protected under the laws of the state of Minnesota. The commissioner and all other public officials and employees shall keep and maintain the same secrecy in respect to any information furnished by any department, commission, or official of the United States or of any other state in respect to the income of any person as is required by this section in respect to information concerning the affairs of taxpayers under this chapter. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit the commissioner from publishing statistics so classified as not to disclose the identity of particular returns or reports and the items thereof. Upon request of a majority of the members of the senate tax committee or of the house tax committee or the tax study commission, the commissioner shall furnish abstracted financial information to those committees for research purposes from returns or reports filed pursuant to this chapter, provided that he shall not disclose the name, address, social security number, business identification number or any other item of information associated with any return or report which the commissioner believes is likely to identify the taxpayer. The commissioner shall not furnish the actual return, or a portion thereof, or a reproduction or copy of any return or portion thereof. "Abstracted financial information" means only the dollar amounts set forth on each line on the form including the filing status.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

In order to locate the named payee on state warrants issued pursuant to this chapter or chapter 290A and undeliverable by the United States postal service, the commissioner may publish in any English language newspaper of general circulation in this state a list of the name and last known address of the payee as shown on the reports or returns filed with the commissioner. The commissioner may exclude the names of payees whose refunds are in an amount which is less than a minimal amount to be determined by the commissioner. The published list shall not contain any particulars set forth on any report or return. The publication shall include instructions on claiming the warrants.

An employee of the department of revenue may, in connection with his official duties relating to any audit, collection activity, or civil or criminal tax investigation or any other offense under this chapter, disclose return information to the extent that such disclosure is necessary in obtaining information, which is not otherwise reasonably available, with respect to the correct determination of tax, liability for tax, or the amount to be collected or with respect to the enforcement of any other provision of this chapter.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after final enactment.
Approved March 15, 1982

CHAPTER 417 — S.F.No. 1878

An act relating to state historic sites; the Old Federal Courts building; amending Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 138.56, Subdivision 7.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 138.56, Subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. The Old Federal Courts building, owned by the city of St. Paul Ramsey County, located on a tract bounded by Washington and Market and Fifth and Sixth streets.

Approved March 15, 1982

CHAPTER 418 - S.F.No. 1687

An act relating to Ramsey county; providing for the organization, powers and duties of the Saint Paul-Ramsey Medical Center commission; permitting the issuance of revenue bonds; amending Laws 1974, Chapter 435, Section 3.14, as amended.