

CHAPTER 471 — S.F.No. 1691

An act relating to housing and redevelopment authorities; clarifying the need for a conflict of interest disclosure statement; amending the method of determining a quorum when a conflict of interest exists; providing for membership on the Duluth housing and redevelopment authority; providing penalties; granting powers to authorities created pursuant to special laws; amending Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 462.445, by adding a subdivision; amending Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 462.432, Subdivisions 1 and 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 462.432, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DISCLOSURE.** Before taking an action or making a decision which could substantially affect his financial interests or those of an organization with which he is associated, a commissioner or employee of an authority shall: (a) prepare a written statement describing the matter requiring action or decision and the nature of the potential conflict of interest; and (b) submit the statement to the board of commissioners of the authority, whereupon the disclosure shall be entered upon the minutes of the authority at its next meeting. The disclosure statement shall be submitted no later than one week after the employee or commissioner becomes aware of the potential conflict of interest. However, no disclosure statement shall be required if the effect on the commissioner or employee of the relevant decision or act will be no greater than on other members of his business, profession or occupation or if the effect on the organization with which he is affiliated is indirect, remote and insubstantial. A potential conflict of interest is present if the commissioner or employee knows or has reason to know that the organization with which the commissioner or employee is affiliated is or is reasonably likely to become a participant in a project or development which will be affected by the relevant action or decision. Any individual who knowingly fails to submit a statement required by this subdivision or submits a statement which he knows contains false information or which he knows omits required information is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 462.432, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **EFFECT OF DISCLOSURE.** If an employee has a potential conflict of interest, his superior shall immediately assign the matter to another employee who does not have a potential conflict of interest. A commissioner who has a potential conflict of interest shall not attempt to influence an employee in any matter related to the action or decision in question, shall not take part in the action or decision in question, and shall not be counted toward a quorum in during the portion of any meeting of the authority considering such in which the action or decision is to be considered. Any individual who knowingly violates this subdivision is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 462.445, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 14. AUTHORITIES CREATED PURSUANT TO SPECIAL LAW. Except as expressly limited by the special law establishing the authority, an authority created pursuant to special law shall have as powers granted by any statute to any authority created pursuant to chapter 462.

Sec. 4. DULUTH HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONERS.

The Duluth housing and redevelopment authority shall consist of seven commissioners. In addition to those serving on the effective date of this act two shall be appointed for terms fixed so that the terms of two commissioners expire the first Monday in January in each of the years 1984 and 1986 and the term of one commissioner expires the first Monday in January 1983, 1985 and 1987. Their successors shall be appointed for regular five year terms.

Sec. 5. LOCAL APPROVAL; EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 4 is effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021, Subdivision 3, by the Duluth city council.

Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after final enactment.

Approved March 18, 1982

CHAPTER 472 — S.F.No. 1670

An act relating to guardianship and conservatorship; providing for delegation of certain powers by parents or guardians; applying the rules of evidence to certain proceedings; providing administrative procedures for the appointment of guardians or conservators for minors; providing a procedure for discharge of guardians or conservators in certain cases; clarifying certain provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1980, Sections 525.6165; and 525.618, by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Sections 525.55, Subdivisions 1 and 3; 525.551, Subdivision 3; 525.5515, Subdivision 2; and 525.6196; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 524 and 525; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 525.5515, Subdivision 3.

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

Section 1. [524.5-104] DELEGATION OF POWERS BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

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