

**Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective the day after enactment.

Approved May 23, 1985

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**CHAPTER 226 — S.F.No. 966**

*An act relating to health; requiring a study and a report on the needs of persons with brain impairments.*

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

**Section 1. STUDY OF SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH BRAIN IMPAIRMENT.**

Subdivision 1. DEFINITION. "Brain impairment" means serious traumatic injury to the brain or degenerative brain disease resulting in significant destruction of brain tissue with resultant loss of brain function which requires extensive services over an extended period of time.

Subd. 2. TASK FORCE. The commissioner of human services shall establish a task force to study the needs of persons with brain impairments. The task force shall consist of no more than 15 persons, two of whom are parents. In addition, the task force shall include representation from physicians specializing in brain impairments, rehabilitation facilities, day programs, acute care rehabilitation programs, nursing home programs, community-based residential programs, vocational counselors, the Minnesota chapter of the national head injury foundation, chemical abuse counselors, and other persons who may provide a useful perspective to the task force.

Subd. 3. DUTIES. The commissioner of human services, or his or her designee, shall prepare a report for the legislature with the advice of the task force. The task force shall:

(a) assess the needs of persons who have brain impairments and their families;

(b) develop a model for a continuum of care to adequately meet the needs described in clause (a), including acute care, intermediate rehabilitation, long-term care, community-based housing, and vocational, social, and community integration;

(c) identify the resources that currently exist to meet the needs of persons who are brain impaired;

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(d) identify the gaps in current delivery of services to meet these specialized needs;

(e) determine the feasibility and cost effectiveness of developing new programs for this population or expanding utilization of existing services and programs;

(f) identify potential sources of funding for services for brain impaired persons and describe how present lack of funding has affected the provision of services to the brain impaired population; and

(g) examine the potential for expanding existing criteria and disability definitions to allow persons with brain impairment access to housing, case-management, independent living skills programs, and other similar programs now available to other groups.

The commissioner shall deliver the report and the task force's recommendations to the legislature by January 15, 1986.

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## CHAPTER 227 — H.F.No. 245

*An act relating to crimes; clarifying elements of the crime of depriving another of custodial or parental rights; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 609.26, subdivisions 1 and 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 609.26, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **PROHIBITED ACTS.** Whoever intentionally does any of the following acts may be charged with a felony and, upon conviction, may be sentenced as provided in subdivision 6:

(1) ~~conceals a minor child from the child's parent or other person having the right to visitation or custody, where the action manifests an intent substantially to deprive that parent or other person of his parental rights to visitation or custody or~~ conceals a minor child from another person having the right to visitation or custody where the action manifests an intent to substantially deprive that person of rights to visitation or custody;

(2) takes, obtains, retains, or fails to return a minor child in violation of a court order which has transferred legal custody under chapter 260 to the

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