

Signed by the governor May 1, 1989, 8:30 a.m.

CHAPTER 63—H.F.No. 695

An act relating to education; reducing the Askov school board from seven to six members; requiring local approval.

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

Section 1. REDUCED BOARD.

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 123.33, subdivision 1, the school board of independent school district No. 566, Askov, is reduced from seven to six members.

(b) The school board may be increased from six to seven members again according to Minnesota Statutes, section 123.33, subdivision 1.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day after the clerk of the school board of independent school district No. 566 complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor April 28, 1989

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CHAPTER 64—S.F.No. 264

An act relating to health; requiring that health care providers timely furnish patient health records and reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 144.335, subdivisions 2 and 3.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 144.335, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **PATIENT ACCESS.** (a) Upon request, a provider shall supply to a patient complete and current information possessed by that provider concerning any diagnosis, treatment and prognosis of the patient in terms and language the patient can reasonably be expected to understand.

(b) Upon a patient's written request, a provider, at a reasonable cost to the

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patient, shall promptly furnish to the patient (1) copies of the patient's health record, including but not limited to laboratory reports, X-rays, prescriptions, and other technical information used in assessing the patient's health condition, or (2) the pertinent portion of the record relating to a condition specified by the patient. With the consent of the patient, the provider may instead furnish only a summary of the record. The provider may exclude from the health record written speculations about the patient's health condition, except that all information necessary for the patient's informed consent must be provided.

(c) If a provider, as defined in subdivision 1, clause (b)(1), reasonably determines that the information is detrimental to the physical or mental health of the patient, or is likely to cause the patient to inflict self harm, or to harm another, the provider may withhold the information from the patient and may supply the information to an appropriate third party or to another provider, as defined in subdivision 1, clause (b)(1). The other provider or third party may release the information to the patient.

(d) A provider as defined in subdivision 1, clause (b)(2), shall release information upon written request unless, prior to the request, a provider as defined in subdivision 1, clause (b)(1), has designated and described a specific basis for withholding the information as authorized by paragraph (c).

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 144.335, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **PROVIDER TRANSFERS AND LOANS.** A patient's health record, including but not limited to, laboratory reports, X-rays, prescriptions, and other technical information used in assessing the patient's condition, or the pertinent portion of the record relating to a specific condition, or a summary of the record, shall promptly be furnished to another provider upon the written request of the patient. The written request shall specify the name of the provider to whom the health record is to be furnished. The provider who furnishes the health record or summary may retain a copy of the materials furnished. The patient shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of furnishing the information.

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CHAPTER 65—S.F.No. 1270

An act relating to unemployment compensation; making various technical corrections; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, sections 268.04, subdivisions 12 and 25; 268.06, subdivisions 1, 8a, and 28; 268.07, subdivisions 2 and 3; 268.09, subdivision 1; 268.10, subdivisions 1 and 2; 268.12, subdivision 12; 268.16, subdivision 4; 268.162, subdivision 1; 268.163, subdivision 1; and 268.165, subdivisions 1 and 2.

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