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CHAPTER 96—H.F.No. 522

*An act relating to utilities; clarifying the specificity needed for public service corporation easements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 300.045.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 300.045, is amended to read:

**300.045 EASEMENTS OVER PRIVATE PROPERTY, LIMITATIONS.**

When public service corporations, including pipeline companies, acquire easements over private property by purchase, gift, or eminent domain proceedings, except temporary easements for construction, they must definitely and specifically describe the easement being acquired, and may not acquire an easement greater than the minimum necessary for the safe conduct of their business.

For the purposes of this section, a public service corporation may meet the requirement of a definite and specific description of an easement by:

(1) including in the recorded description of the easement the specific legal reference points as to the location of the easement in relation to the corners of the specific property involved at the points the easement enters and departs from the property; or

(2) appending to the recorded description of the easement a drawing that identifies by means of a scale or specific measurements the location of the easement in relation to the corners of the specific property involved at the points the easement enters and departs from the property.

When a question arises as to the location of an easement across specific property and the recorded description of the easement does not include a definite and specific description of the easement by a method identified in clause (1) or (2), the public service corporation holding the easement shall, upon written request by the specific property owner, produce and record in a timely manner a definite and specific description using a method described in clause (1) or (2).

This section does not require a public service corporation to physically locate, establish, and monument by means of a land survey prepared by a registered land surveyor the corners of the specific property involved.

**Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

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Signed by the governor May 7, 1993, 2:41 p.m.

### CHAPTER 97—S.F.No. 913

*An act relating to employment; modifying provisions relating to and renaming the Minnesota council for the blind and the consumer advisory council; establishing a rehabilitation advisory council for the blind; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, sections 248.10; and 268A.02, subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 248.10, is amended to read:

#### 248.10 REHABILITATION ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND.

~~Subdivision 1. MEMBERSHIP.~~ The Minnesota council for the blind consists of nine members appointed by the commissioner to four-year terms. At least five of the council members must be blind or visually handicapped.

~~Subd. 2. REMOVAL; VACANCIES.~~ The compensation, removal of members; and filling of vacancies on the council are as provided in section 15.0575.

~~Subd. 3. DUTIES.~~ The council shall:

(1) advise the commissioner on the qualifications for the director of services for the blind;

(2) advise the commissioner on the development of policies, programs, and services affecting the blind and visually impaired, and on the use of appropriate federal money;

(3) advise the commissioner on policies relating to eligibility determinations;

(4) create a public awareness of the special needs and potential of blind and visually impaired persons; and

(5) provide the commissioner with a review of ongoing services, programs, and proposed legislation affecting the blind and visually impaired.

The commissioner shall establish a rehabilitation advisory council for the blind consistent with the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law Number 93-112, as amended through December 31, 1992. Advisory council members shall be compensated as provided in section 15.059, subdivision 3. Members of the council for the blind appointed before July 1, 1993, shall serve on the advisory council until the end of their appointed terms. The advisory council shall

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