

Of this amount transferred in fiscal year 1995, \$4,579,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for general assistance medical care grants.

Presented to the governor May 6, 1994

Signed by the governor May 10, 1994, 6:35 p.m.

CHAPTER 626—S.F.No. 180

An act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article X, section 8; authorizing off-track betting on horse racing; requiring a report to the legislature.

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

Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article X, section 8, is proposed to the people. If the amendment is adopted, the section will read as follows:

Sec. 8. The legislature may authorize ~~on-track~~ pari-mutuel betting on horse racing in a manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.

The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 1994 general election. The question submitted shall be:

“Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to permit off-track wagering on horse racing in a manner prescribed by law?”

Yes

No”

Sec. 3. REPORT TO LEGISLATURE.

If the constitutional amendment proposed in section 1 is approved by the people at the 1994 general election, the director of pari-mutuel racing shall submit a report to the legislature containing the director's recommendations on legislation to authorize and regulate off-track pari-mutuel betting on horse racing. The report must contain draft legislation that embodies the director's recommendations. The draft legislation must provide that:

(1) off-track pari-mutuel betting be conducted primarily to support on-track horse racing and not supplant it;

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(2) a separate license be required to operate each off-track betting location;

(3) off-track betting locations be limited to facilities with television displays of live horse racing, adequate seating and dining and beverage service; and

(4) a limited number of off-track betting locations be licensed, with a reasonable geographic distribution of locations around the state.

The director shall submit the report to the legislature by February 1, 1995.

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CHAPTER 627—H.F.No. 3179

An act relating to wetlands; authorizing grants for flood control measures along a portion of the Red river; allowing alternative wetland regulation under county plans; expanding types of wetlands that may be used in the state wetland bank; modifying exemptions; clarifying the applicability of the wetland conservation act to the state; streamlining notice requirements for smaller wetland projects; adding an alternative compensation formula; expanding eligibility for the permanent wetlands preserve; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, sections 103F.161, subdivision 1; 103F.516, subdivision 1; 103G.2242, subdivisions 1, 5, 6, 7, and 8; and 103G.237, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 1993 Supplement, sections 103G.222; and 103G.2241.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 103F.161, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **GRANTS AUTHORIZED.** (a) The commissioner may make grants to local governments to:

(1) conduct floodplain damage reduction studies to determine the most feasible, practical, and effective methods and programs for mitigating the damages due to flooding within flood prone rural and urban areas and their watersheds; and

(2) plan and implement flood mitigation measures.

(b) The commissioner may cooperate with the North Dakota state water commission, local governmental units, and local water management organizations in this state and in North Dakota, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers to develop hydrologic models and conduct studies to evaluate the practicality and feasibility of flood control measures along the Red river from East Grand Forks to the Canadian border. The commissioner may make grants

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