vices division. The executive director may employ and direct staff necessary to carry out commission mandates, policies, activities, and objectives.

Subd. 5. **POWERS.** The commission may contract in its own name. Contracts must be approved by a majority of the members of the commission and executed by the chair and the executive director. The commission may apply for, receive, and expend in its own name grants and gifts of money consistent with the powers and duties specified in this section.

Subd. 6. REPORT. The commission shall may prepare and distribute a report to the commissioner, the governor, and the legislature by December 31 of each even—numbered year periodic reports to the state agency commissioners, the governor, and the legislature concerning the activities of the commission and the needs and concerns of deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing Minnesotans. The report must summarize the activities of the commission since its prior report, list receipts and expenditures, identify the major problems and issues confronting deaf and hard of hearing persons, make recommendations regarding needed policy and program development on behalf of deaf and hard of hearing individuals in Minnesota, and list the specific objectives the commission seeks to attain during the next biennium.

Sec. 7. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 256C.22 and 256C.27, are repealed.

Presented to the governor March 26, 1996

Signed by the governor March 28, 1996, 10:08 a.m.

CHAPTER 393—H.F.No. 2818

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CHAPTER 394—H.F.No. 2298

An act relating to government efficiency; extending the effective period of certain exemptions granted by the board of government innovation and cooperation; authorizing multimember school board election districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 122.23, subdivisions 2 and 18; 205A.12, subdivisions 2 and 5; and 465.797, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 122.23, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.