

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 2 is effective as to the city of Roseville or independent school district No. 623 upon its approval by the respective governing bodies and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor April 22, 1997

Signed by the governor April 23, 1997, 1:40 p.m.

CHAPTER 57—S.F.No. 495

An act relating to insurance; health; requiring coverage for diabetes outpatient self-management training and education; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 62A.45.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 62A.45, is amended to read:

62A.45 COVERAGE FOR EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR DIABETES.

A health plan, including a plan providing the coverage specified in section 62A.011, subdivision 3, clause (10), must provide coverage for: (1) all physician prescribed medically appropriate and necessary equipment and supplies used in the management and treatment of diabetes; and (2) diabetes outpatient self-management training and education, including medical nutrition therapy, that is provided by a certified, registered, or licensed health care professional working in a program consistent with the national standards of diabetes self-management education as established by the American Diabetes Association. Coverage must include persons with gestational, type I or type II diabetes. Coverage required under this section is subject to the same deductible or coinsurance provisions applicable to the plan's hospital, medical expense, medical equipment, or prescription drug benefits. A health carrier may not reduce or eliminate coverage due to this requirement.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.

Section 1 is effective August 1, 1997, and applies to all health plans issued or renewed to provide coverage for Minnesota residents on or after that date.

Presented to the governor April 24, 1997

Signed by the governor April 28, 1997, 10:50 a.m.

CHAPTER 58—S.F.No. 1116

An act relating to Hennepin county; allowing use of certain county facilities for commercial wireless service providers and allowing the lease of sites for public safety communication equip-

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ment; modifying Hennepin county housing and redevelopment authority provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, sections 383B.255, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; and 383B.77, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 383B.255, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **RADIO SYSTEM.** Hennepin county may establish and rent, lease, construct, equip, and maintain a radio broadcasting station or stations, with land-fixed repeater stations and other necessary communication equipment, to be used for public safety communications. It may acquire land by gift, purchase, lease, or condemnation for use as a site for the stations public safety communications equipment. Public safety communications sites may be acquired by lease for a period of up to 25 years in duration. Public safety communications may include police, fire, highway maintenance, emergency medical service, local government, forestry conservation, and other communications as determined by the county board.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 383B.255, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **ANTENNA SITE USE AGREEMENTS.** Use of county owned radio towers, building rooftops, lands, rights-of-way, and easements may be made available to commercial wireless service providers for the purpose of installing antennas and equipment necessary for construction of the national wireless telecommunications infrastructure. Hennepin county may acquire site use fees, or by gift or other means, improvements to public safety communications facilities, or other personal property, as compensation for antenna site use. Antenna site use agreements may be entered into by any means available and in the manner determined by the county board, with or without advertisement for bids.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 383B.77, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **LIMITATION.** This section does not limit or restrict any existing housing and redevelopment authority or prevent a municipality from creating an authority. For purposes of this subdivision, "housing and redevelopment authority" includes any municipal department, agency, or authority of the city of Minneapolis which exercises the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority pursuant to section 469.003 or other law. The county authority shall notify a municipal authority by January 31 of each year as to the activities the county authority plans to participate in within the municipality. The municipal authority shall notify the county authority within 45 days of the date of the notice from the county authority, if the municipal authority does not consent to the activities of the county authority. The county authority shall not exercise its powers in a municipality where a housing and redevelopment authority is established pursuant to section 469.003 was created under Minnesota Statutes 1969, chapter 462, before June 8, 1971, except as provided in this subdivision. If a city housing and redevelopment authority requests the county housing and redevelopment authority to exercise any power or perform any function of the municipal authority, the county authority may do so.

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Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 3 is effective the day after the chief clerical officer of Hennepin county complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor April 24, 1997

Signed by the governor April 28, 1997, 10:52 a.m.

CHAPTER 59—H.F.No. 211

An act relating to telecommunications; authorizing the installation of extended area service within combined school districts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:**Section 1. COMBINED SCHOOL DISTRICTS; EXTENDED AREA SERVICE.**

Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION. In order to facilitate communication among school district and charter school parents, teachers, students, and school administrators in the geographic region of combined school districts, an organization of telephone customers residing within school districts combined under Minnesota Statutes, section 122.22, 122.23 or 122.241, or the school district administration itself, may petition the public utilities commission to install extended area service within the combined school district.

Subd. 2. PETITION. (a) The petition must be on a form supplied by the commission and include:

(1) the name of each exchange that would be included in the extended area, the principal city in each exchange, and the name of each telephone company serving each exchange;

(2) the name, address, and telephone number of each person signing the petition;

(3) a statement that the signing customers desire to have extended area service installed within the combined school district; and

(4) the name, address, and telephone number of the person representing the petitioners to whom correspondence and the commission's order may be sent.

(b) A copy of the petition must be served on each telephone company serving each of the local telephone exchanges identified in the petition. The petition must be signed by 15 percent or more of the customers of each local telephone exchange that would be included in the extended area, or 600 customers of each of those local telephone exchanges, whichever is less. There must be only one signature per billing number. For a business customer favoring extended area service, a duly authorized agent or representative shall sign the petition. The sponsor of the petition shall certify that the signatures on the petition are valid. The petition must be kept on file and made available to the public at the commission and in the local exchange office of the telephone companies. Anyone who

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