

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 365.10, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **HEALTH, SOCIAL, RECREATIONAL SERVICES.** The electors may let the town board contract with nonprofit organizations for not more than ~~\$5,000~~ \$10,000 per year of health, social, and recreational services. To do so, the town board must consider the services to be in the public interest and good for the town.

Presented to the governor March 20, 2001

Signed by the governor March 21, 2001, 12:43 p.m.

CHAPTER 12—H.F.No. 320

An act relating to insurance; authorizing licensed property-casualty insurance agents to assist in the procurement of surplus lines insurance without a surplus lines insurance license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 60A.198, subdivision 1.

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 60A.198, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **LICENSE REQUIRED.** A person, as defined in section 60A.02, subdivision 7, shall not act in any other manner as an agent or broker in the transaction of surplus lines insurance unless licensed under sections 60A.195 to 60A.209. A surplus lines license is not required for a licensed resident agent who assists in the procurement of surplus lines insurance with a surplus lines licensee pursuant to sections 60A.195 to 60A.209.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor March 27, 2001

Signed by the governor March 29, 2001, 3:05 p.m.

CHAPTER 13—S.F.No. 509

An act relating to local government; authorizing the use of credit cards by city and town officers and employees; providing for payment of city and county obligations by electronic transfer or credit card; authorizing electronic approvals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 471.38, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 471.

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 471.38, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **ITEMIZATION; DECLARATION.** Except as provided in subdivision 2, where an account, claim or demand against any county, local social services agency, county board of education for unorganized territory, school district, town or home rule charter city of the second, third or fourth class, or any park district, for any property or services can be itemized in the ordinary course of business, the board or officer authorized by law to audit and allow claims shall not audit or allow the claim until the person claiming payment, or the person's agent, reduces it to writing or an electronic transaction record, in items and signs a declaration to the effect that such account, claim, or demand is just and correct and that no part of it has been paid. The board or officer may in its discretion allow a claim prepared by the clerk or secretary of such board or officer prior to such declaration by the claimant if the declaration is made on the check or order-check by which the claim is paid, as provided in section 471.391, subdivision 2.

Sec. 2. [471.381] CITY AND COUNTY OBLIGATIONS AND PAYMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **PAYMENT METHODS.** Payments of claims and obligations of a statutory or home rule charter city or county may be made by warrant, check, or all forms of electronic or wire funds transfer. If the city or county may make investments, it may make electronic or wire transfers of funds notwithstanding any other law to the contrary.

Subd. 2. **AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD OR OTHER METHODS.** A statutory or home rule charter city or a county may accept payment by use of a credit card, debit card, or all forms of electronic or wire funds transfer. Subject to any other law to the contrary, the city or county may add to the amount due a service charge for the acceptance of a payment method authorized in this subdivision. The city or county shall adopt policies and procedures regarding the payments. The payment of property taxes by credit card is subject to section 276.02.

Subd. 3. **ELECTRONIC APPROVAL.** "Electronic approval" means any electronic identifier intended by the person making, executing, or adopting it to authenticate and validate a city or county administrative action. Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, a statutory or home rule charter city or a county may use electronic approvals, which have the same validity and consequences as an actual signature. The city or county must establish policies and procedures to ensure the validity of electronic approvals.

Sec. 3. [471.382] CREDIT CARDS.

A city council or town board may authorize the use of a credit card by any city or town officer or employee otherwise authorized to make a purchase on behalf of the city or town. If a city or town officer or employee makes or directs a purchase by credit card that is not approved by the city council or town board, the officer or employee is personally liable for the amount of the purchase. A purchase by credit card must otherwise comply with all statutes, rules, or city or town policy applicable to city or town purchases.

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Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 3 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 4, 2001

Signed by the governor April 6, 2001, 10:14 a.m.

CHAPTER 14—S.F.No. 63

An act relating to highways; designating a bridge on marked trunk highway No. 55 in Stearns county as Old St. Anne's Pass; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 161.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 48. OLD ST. ANNE'S PASS. The bridge located on marked trunk highway No. 55 over the Soo Line railroad right-of-way in Maine Prairie township in Stearns county is named and designated "Old St. Anne's Pass." The commissioner shall adopt a suitable marking design to mark this bridge and erect appropriate signs, subject to section 161.139.

Presented to the governor April 4, 2001

Signed by the governor April 6, 2001, 10:14 a.m.

CHAPTER 15—S.F.No. 346

An act relating to trusts; making changes to the Uniform Principal and Income Act; simplifying the antilapse law; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 144.225, subdivision 7; 501B.59, by adding a subdivision; 501B.60, by adding a subdivision; 501B.61, subdivision 2; 501B.62, subdivision 1; 501B.63, subdivision 2; 501B.64; 501B.68; 501B.69; and 524.6-301; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 501B; and 524; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 501B.66; 501B.70; and 524.2-603.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 144.225, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. CERTIFIED COPY OF BIRTH OR DEATH CERTIFICATE. The state or local registrar shall issue a certified copy of a birth or death certificate or a statement of no record found to an individual upon the individual's proper completion

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