

designated as a critical access hospital under section 144.1483, clause (11);

(2) has tax exempt status in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code, section 501(c)(3);

(3) received approval before 1991 from the commissioner of health to operate an EMT-P training program;

(4) operates the EMT-P training program exclusively to train paramedics for the local ambulance service; and

(5) limits enrollment in the EMT-P training program to five candidates per biennium.

Presented to the governor May 2, 2001

Signed by the governor May 4, 2001, 10:46 a.m.

#### CHAPTER 75—H.F.No. 1247

*An act relating to veterans homes; providing for the veterans homes board to administer planned giving donations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 198.16; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 198.161.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 198.16, is amended to read:

#### 198.16 **DONATIONS; GENERAL PURPOSES PLANNED GIVING.**

The board is authorized to accept on behalf of the state any gift, grant, bequest, or devise made for the purposes of this chapter, and administer the same as directed by the donor. All proceeds therefrom including money derived from the sale of any real or personal property shall must be deposited in the state treasury and, invested by the state board of investment in accordance with sections 11A.24 and 11A.25, and credited to the Minnesota veterans home endowment, bequest, and devises fund. Said That fund shall consist consists of two separate accounts, one of which shall include any trusts prescribed by the donor, the other shall include for investing general and restricted gifts, money, and donations received and for any currently expendable proceeds.

The board shall maintain records of all gifts received, clearly showing the identity of the donor, the purpose of the donation, and the ultimate disposition of the donation. Each donation must be duly receipted and must be expended or used by the board as nearly in accordance with the condition of the gift or donation as is compatible with the best interests of the residents of the homes. Money in the fund is appropriated to the board for the purposes for which it was received. Disbursements from this fund shall be made in the manner provided for the issuance of other state warrants.

Whenever the board shall deem it advisable, in accordance with law, to sell or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property thus acquired, the commissioner of

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administration upon the request of the board shall sell or otherwise dispose of said property in the manner provided by law for the sale or disposition of other state property by the commissioner of administration.

Sec. 2. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 198.161, is repealed.

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Signed by the governor May 4, 2001, 10:48 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 76—H.F.No. 489**

*An act relating to commerce; providing for the procurement of surety bonds; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 574.*

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

**Section 1. [574.39] SURETY BONDS; PUBLIC ENTITIES.**

The state or a county, town, home rule charter or statutory city, school district, or other municipal corporation or political subdivision of this state shall not require a contractor to procure a surety bond from a particular insurance or surety company, agent, or broker on a public improvement which is or has been competitively bid or negotiated. Nothing in this section prohibits a public entity from requiring customized features in its surety bond coverage as considered appropriate and necessary by the public entity or from requiring that the insurer issuing the bond have a minimum financial rating as specified by the public entity.

Presented to the governor May 3, 2001

Signed by the governor May 7, 2001, 10:31 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 77—S.F.No. 1611**

*An act relating to vocational rehabilitation; making technical changes; modifying procedures for grants to rehabilitation facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 268A.06, subdivision 1; and 268A.08; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 268A.06, subdivision 3.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 268A.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **APPLICATION.** Any city, town, county, nonprofit corporation, state regional treatment center, or any combination thereof, may apply to the

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