

apprehension, to an officer of the metropolitan transit police, or to an agent of the division of alcohol and gambling enforcement who is a licensed peace officer as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c). The warrant shall direct the officer or agent to search the person or place named for the property or things specified, and to retain the property or things in the officer's or agent's custody subject to order of the court issuing the warrant.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 626.13, is amended to read:

**626.13 SERVICE; PERSONS MAKING.**

A search warrant may in all cases be served anywhere within the issuing judge's jurisdiction by any of the officers mentioned in its directions, but by no other person, except in aid of the officer on the officer's requiring it, the officer being present and acting in its execution. If the warrant is to be served by an agent of the bureau of criminal apprehension, an agent of the division of alcohol and gambling enforcement, a state patrol trooper, a metropolitan transit police officer, or a conservation officer, the agent, state patrol trooper, police officer, or conservation officer shall notify the chief of police of an organized full-time police department of the municipality or, if there is no such local chief of police, the sheriff or a deputy sheriff of the county in which service is to be made prior to execution.

**Sec. 7. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 473.407, subdivision 4a, is repealed.

**Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 7 are effective on the day following final enactment.

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**CHAPTER 292—S.F.No. 2692**

*An act relating to human services; modifying requirements for background studies; requiring a review and report to the legislature on these requirements; limiting authority of commissioner of human services to set aside a disqualification; modifying list of disqualifying crimes; requesting a study and recommendations regarding methods for tracking civil actions involving sexual abuse; amending Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 245A.04, subdivisions 3b, 3d.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 245A.04, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:

Subd. 3b. **RECONSIDERATION OF DISQUALIFICATION.** (a) The individual who is the subject of the disqualification may request a reconsideration of the disqualification.

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The individual must submit the request for reconsideration to the commissioner in writing. A request for reconsideration for an individual who has been sent a notice of disqualification under subdivision 3a, paragraph (b), clause (1) or (2), must be submitted within 30 calendar days of the disqualified individual's receipt of the notice of disqualification. Upon showing that the information in clause (1) or (2) cannot be obtained within 30 days, the disqualified individual may request additional time, not to exceed 30 days, to obtain that information. A request for reconsideration for an individual who has been sent a notice of disqualification under subdivision 3a, paragraph (b), clause (3), must be submitted within 15 calendar days of the disqualified individual's receipt of the notice of disqualification. An individual who was determined to have maltreated a child under section 626.556 or a vulnerable adult under section 626.557, and who was disqualified under this section on the basis of serious or recurring maltreatment, may request reconsideration of both the maltreatment and the disqualification determinations. The request for reconsideration of the maltreatment determination and the disqualification must be submitted within 30 calendar days of the individual's receipt of the notice of disqualification. Removal of a disqualified individual from direct contact shall be ordered if the individual does not request reconsideration within the prescribed time, and for an individual who submits a timely request for reconsideration, if the disqualification is not set aside. The individual must present information showing that:

(1) the information the commissioner relied upon is incorrect or inaccurate. If the basis of a reconsideration request is that a maltreatment determination or disposition under section 626.556 or 626.557 is incorrect, and the commissioner has issued a final order in an appeal of that determination or disposition under section 256.045 or 245A.08, subdivision 5, the commissioner's order is conclusive on the issue of maltreatment. If the individual did not request reconsideration of the maltreatment determination, the maltreatment determination is deemed conclusive; or

(2) the subject of the study does not pose a risk of harm to any person served by the applicant, license holder, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1.

(b) The commissioner shall rescind the disqualification if the commissioner finds that the information relied on to disqualify the subject is incorrect. The commissioner may set aside the disqualification under this section if the commissioner finds that the individual does not pose a risk of harm to any person served by the applicant, license holder, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1. In determining that an individual does not pose a risk of harm, the commissioner shall consider the nature, severity, and consequences of the event or events that lead to disqualification, whether there is more than one disqualifying event, the age and vulnerability of the victim at the time of the event, the harm suffered by the victim, the similarity between the victim and persons served by the program, the time elapsed without a repeat of the same or similar event, documentation of successful completion by the individual studied of training or rehabilitation pertinent to the event, and any other information relevant to reconsideration. In reviewing a disqualification under this section, the commissioner shall give preeminent weight to the safety of each person to be served by the license holder, applicant, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, over the interests

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of the license holder, applicant, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1.

(c) Unless the information the commissioner relied on in disqualifying an individual is incorrect, the commissioner may not set aside the disqualification of an individual in connection with a license to provide family day care for children, foster care for children in the provider's own home, or foster care or day care services for adults in the provider's own home if:

(1) less than ten years have passed since the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense; and the individual has been convicted of a violation of any offense listed in sections ~~609.20 (manslaughter in the first degree)~~, ~~609.205 (manslaughter in the second degree)~~, 609.165 (felon ineligible to possess firearm), criminal vehicular homicide under 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury), 609.215 (aiding suicide or aiding attempted suicide), felony violations under ~~609.221 to 609.223~~ or 609.2231 (assault in the first, second, third, or fourth degree), 609.713 (terroristic threats), 609.235 (use of drugs to injure or to facilitate crime), 609.24 (simple robbery), ~~609.245 (aggravated robbery)~~, ~~609.25 (kidnapping)~~, 609.255 (false imprisonment), ~~609.561~~ or 609.562 (arson in the first or second degree), 609.71 (riot), 609.498, subdivision 1 or 1a (aggravated first degree or first degree tampering with a witness), burglary in the first or second degree under 609.582 (burglary), 609.66 (dangerous weapon), 609.665 (spring guns), 609.67 (machine guns and short-barreled shotguns), 609.749, subdivision 2 (gross misdemeanor harassment; stalking), 152.021 or 152.022 (controlled substance crime in the first or second degree), 152.023, subdivision 1, clause (3) or (4), or subdivision 2, clause (4) (controlled substance crime in the third degree), 152.024, subdivision 1, clause (2), (3), or (4) (controlled substance crime in the fourth degree), 609.224, subdivision 2, paragraph (c) (fifth-degree assault by a caregiver against a vulnerable adult), ~~609.228 (great bodily harm caused by distribution of drugs)~~, 609.23 (mistreatment of persons confined), 609.231 (mistreatment of residents or patients), 609.2325 (criminal abuse of a vulnerable adult), 609.233 (criminal neglect of a vulnerable adult), 609.2335 (financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult), 609.234 (failure to report), 609.265 (abduction), 609.2664 to 609.2665 (manslaughter of an unborn child in the first or second degree), 609.267 to 609.2672 (assault of an unborn child in the first, second, or third degree), 609.268 (injury or death of an unborn child in the commission of a crime), 617.293 (disseminating or displaying harmful material to minors), a felony level conviction involving alcohol or drug use, a gross misdemeanor offense under 609.324, subdivision 1 (other prohibited acts), a gross misdemeanor offense under 609.378 (neglect or endangerment of a child), a gross misdemeanor offense under 609.377 (malicious punishment of a child), 609.72, subdivision 3 (disorderly conduct against a vulnerable adult); or an attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses, as each of these offenses is defined in Minnesota Statutes; or an offense in any other state, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the foregoing offenses;

(2) regardless of how much time has passed since the involuntary termination of parental rights under section 260C.301 or the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense, the individual was convicted of a violation of any offense listed in sections 609.185 to 609.195 (murder in the first, second, or third degree), 609.20 (manslaughter

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in the first degree), 609.205 (manslaughter in the second degree), 609.245 (aggravated robbery), 609.25 (kidnapping), 609.561 (arson in the first degree), 609.749, subdivision 3, 4, or 5 (felony-level harassment; stalking), 609.228 (great bodily harm caused by distribution of drugs), 609.221 or 609.222 (assault in the first or second degree), 609.66, subdivision 1e (drive-by shooting), 609.855, subdivision 5 (shooting in or at a public transit vehicle or facility), 609.2661 to 609.2663 (murder of an unborn child in the first, second, or third degree), a felony offense under 609.377 (malicious punishment of a child), a felony offense under 609.324, subdivision 1 (other prohibited acts), a felony offense under 609.378 (neglect or endangerment of a child), 609.322 (solicitation, inducement, and promotion of prostitution), 609.342 to 609.345 (criminal sexual conduct in the first, second, third, or fourth degree), 609.352 (solicitation of children to engage in sexual conduct), 617.246 (use of minors in a sexual performance), 617.247 (possession of pictorial representations of a minor), 609.365 (incest), a felony offense under sections 609.2242 and 609.2243 (domestic assault), a felony offense of spousal abuse, a felony offense of child abuse or neglect, a felony offense of a crime against children, or an attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses as defined in Minnesota Statutes, or an offense in any other state, the elements of which are substantially similar to any of the foregoing offenses;

(3) within the seven years preceding the study, the individual committed an act that constitutes maltreatment of a child under section 626.556; subdivision 10e, and that resulted in substantial bodily harm as defined in section 609.02, subdivision 7a, or substantial mental or emotional harm as supported by competent psychological or psychiatric evidence; or

(4) within the seven years preceding the study, the individual was determined under section 626.557 to be the perpetrator of a substantiated incident of maltreatment of a vulnerable adult that resulted in substantial bodily harm as defined in section 609.02, subdivision 7a, or substantial mental or emotional harm as supported by competent psychological or psychiatric evidence.

In the case of any ground for disqualification under clauses (1) to (4), if the act was committed by an individual other than the applicant, license holder, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, residing in the applicant's or license holder's home, or the home of a registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, the applicant, license holder, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, may seek reconsideration when the individual who committed the act no longer resides in the home.

The disqualification periods provided under clauses (1), (3), and (4) are the minimum applicable disqualification periods. The commissioner may determine that an individual should continue to be disqualified from licensure or registration under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, because the license holder, applicant, or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, poses a risk of harm to a person served by that individual after the minimum disqualification period has passed.

(d) The commissioner shall respond in writing or by electronic transmission to all reconsideration requests for which the basis for the request is that the information relied upon by the commissioner to disqualify is incorrect or inaccurate within 30

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working days of receipt of a request and all relevant information. If the basis for the request is that the individual does not pose a risk of harm, the commissioner shall respond to the request within 15 working days after receiving the request for reconsideration and all relevant information. If the request is based on both the correctness or accuracy of the information relied on to disqualify the individual and the risk of harm, the commissioner shall respond to the request within 45 working days after receiving the request for reconsideration and all relevant information. If the disqualification is set aside, the commissioner shall notify the applicant or license holder in writing or by electronic transmission of the decision.

(e) Except as provided in subdivision 3c, if a disqualification is not set aside or is not rescinded, an individual who was disqualified on the basis of a preponderance of evidence that the individual committed an act or acts that meet the definition of any of the crimes lists in subdivision 3d, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4); or for failure to make required reports under section 626.556, subdivision 3, or 626.557, subdivision 3, pursuant to subdivision 3d, paragraph (a), clause (4), may request a fair hearing under section 256.045. Except as provided under subdivision 3c, the commissioner's final order for an individual under this paragraph is conclusive on the issue of maltreatment and disqualification, including for purposes of subsequent studies conducted under subdivision 3, and is the only administrative appeal of the final agency determination, specifically, including a challenge to the accuracy and completeness of data under section 13.04.

(f) Except as provided under subdivision 3c, if an individual was disqualified on the basis of a determination of maltreatment under section 626.556 or 626.557, which was serious or recurring, and the individual has requested reconsideration of the maltreatment determination under section 626.556, subdivision 10i, or 626.557, subdivision 9d, and also requested reconsideration of the disqualification under this subdivision, reconsideration of the maltreatment determination and reconsideration of the disqualification shall be consolidated into a single reconsideration. For maltreatment and disqualification determinations made by county agencies, the consolidated reconsideration shall be conducted by the county agency. Except as provided under subdivision 3c, if an individual who was disqualified on the basis of serious or recurring maltreatment requests a fair hearing on the maltreatment determination under section 626.556, subdivision 10i, or 626.557, subdivision 9d, the scope of the fair hearing under section 256.045 shall include the maltreatment determination and the disqualification. Except as provided under subdivision 3c, the commissioner's final order for an individual under this paragraph is conclusive on the issue of maltreatment and disqualification, including for purposes of subsequent studies conducted under subdivision 3, and is the only administrative appeal of the final agency determination, specifically, including a challenge to the accuracy and completeness of data under section 13.04.

(g) In the notice from the commissioner that a disqualification has been set aside, the license holder must be informed that information about the nature of the disqualification and which factors under paragraph (b) were the bases of the decision to set aside the disqualification is available to the license holder upon request without

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consent of the background study subject. With the written consent of a background study subject, the commissioner may release to the license holder copies of all information related to the background study subject's disqualification and the commissioner's decision to set aside the disqualification as specified in the written consent.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2001 Supplement, section 245A.04, subdivision 3d, is amended to read:

Subd. 3d. **DISQUALIFICATION.** (a) Upon receipt of information showing, or when a background study completed under subdivision 3 shows any of the following: a conviction of one or more crimes listed in clauses (1) to (4); the individual has admitted to or a preponderance of the evidence indicates the individual has committed an act or acts that meet the definition of any of the crimes listed in clauses (1) to (4); or an investigation results in an administrative determination listed under clause (4), the individual shall be disqualified from any position allowing direct contact with persons receiving services from the license holder, entity identified in subdivision 3, paragraph (a), or registrant under section 144A.71, subdivision 1, and for individuals studied under section 245A.04, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), clauses (2), (6), and (7), the individual shall also be disqualified from access to a person receiving services from the license holder:

(1) regardless of how much time has passed since the involuntary termination of parental rights under section 260C.301 or the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense, and unless otherwise specified, regardless of the level of the conviction, the individual was convicted of any of the following offenses: sections 609.185 (murder in the first degree); 609.19 (murder in the second degree); 609.195 (murder in the third degree); 609.2661 (murder of an unborn child in the first degree); 609.2662 (murder of an unborn child in the second degree); 609.2663 (murder of an unborn child in the third degree); 609.20 (manslaughter in the first degree); 609.205 (manslaughter in the second degree); 609.221 or 609.222 (assault in the first or second degree); 609.228 (great bodily harm caused by distribution of drugs); 609.245 (aggravated robbery); 609.25 (kidnapping); 609.561 (arson in the first degree); 609.749, subdivision 3, 4, or 5 (felony-level harassment; stalking); 609.66, subdivision 1e (drive-by shooting); 609.855, subdivision 5 (shooting at or in a public transit vehicle or facility); 609.322 (solicitation, inducement, and promotion of prostitution); 609.342 (criminal sexual conduct in the first degree); 609.343 (criminal sexual conduct in the second degree); 609.344 (criminal sexual conduct in the third degree); 609.345 (criminal sexual conduct in the fourth degree); 609.352 (solicitation of children to engage in sexual conduct); 609.365 (incest); felony offense under 609.377 (malicious punishment of a child); a felony offense under 609.378 (neglect or endangerment of a child); a felony offense under 609.324, subdivision 1 (other prohibited acts); 617.246 (use of minors in sexual performance prohibited); 617.247 (possession of pictorial representations of minors); a felony offense under sections 609.2242 and 609.2243 (domestic assault), a felony offense of spousal abuse, a felony offense of child abuse or neglect, a felony offense of a crime against children; or attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses as defined in Minnesota Statutes, or an offense in any other state or country, where the elements are substantially similar to any of the offenses listed in this clause;

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(2) if less than 15 years have passed since the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense; and the individual has received a felony conviction for a violation of any of these offenses: sections 609.20 (manslaughter in the first degree); 609.205 (manslaughter in the second degree); 609.21 (criminal vehicular homicide and injury); 609.165 (felon ineligible to possess firearm); 609.215 (suicide); ~~609.221~~ 609.223 or 609.2231 (assault in the first, second, third, or fourth degree); repeat offenses under 609.224 (assault in the fifth degree); repeat offenses under 609.3451 (criminal sexual conduct in the fifth degree); 609.498, subdivision 1 or 1a (aggravated first degree or first degree tampering with a witness); 609.713 (terroristic threats); 609.235 (use of drugs to injure or facilitate crime); 609.24 (simple robbery); ~~609.245 (aggravated robbery)~~; ~~609.25 (kidnapping)~~; 609.255 (false imprisonment); ~~609.561 (arson in the first degree)~~; 609.562 (arson in the second degree); 609.563 (arson in the third degree); repeat offenses under 617.23 (indecent exposure; penalties); repeat offenses under 617.241 (obscene materials and performances; distribution and exhibition prohibited; penalty); 609.71 (riot); 609.66 (dangerous weapons); 609.67 (machine guns and short-barreled shotguns); ~~609.749 (harassment; stalking; penalties)~~; ~~609.228 (great bodily harm caused by distribution of drugs)~~; 609.2325 (criminal abuse of a vulnerable adult); 609.2664 (manslaughter of an unborn child in the first degree); 609.2665 (manslaughter of an unborn child in the second degree); 609.267 (assault of an unborn child in the first degree); 609.2671 (assault of an unborn child in the second degree); 609.268 (injury or death of an unborn child in the commission of a crime); 609.52 (theft); 609.2335 (financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult); 609.521 (possession of shoplifting gear); 609.582 (burglary); 609.625 (aggravated forgery); 609.63 (forgery); 609.631 (check forgery; offering a forged check); 609.635 (obtaining signature by false pretense); 609.27 (coercion); 609.275 (attempt to coerce); 609.687 (adulteration); 260C.301 (grounds for termination of parental rights); chapter 152 (drugs; controlled substance); and a felony level conviction involving alcohol or drug use. An attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses, as each of these offenses is defined in Minnesota Statutes; or an offense in any other state or country, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of the offenses in this clause. If the individual studied is convicted of one of the felonies listed in this clause, but the sentence is a gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor disposition, the lookback period for the conviction is the period applicable to the disposition, that is the period for gross misdemeanors or misdemeanors;

(3) if less than ten years have passed since the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense; and the individual has received a gross misdemeanor conviction for a violation of any of the following offenses: sections 609.224 (assault in the fifth degree); 609.2242 and 609.2243 (domestic assault); violation of an order for protection under 518B.01, subdivision 14; 609.3451 (criminal sexual conduct in the fifth degree); repeat offenses under 609.746 (interference with privacy); repeat offenses under 617.23 (indecent exposure); 617.241 (obscene materials and performances); 617.243 (indecent literature, distribution); 617.293 (harmful materials; dissemination and display to minors prohibited); 609.71 (riot); 609.66 (dangerous weapons); 609.749, subdivision 2 (harassment; stalking; penalties); 609.224, subdivision 2, paragraph (c) (assault in the fifth degree by a caregiver against a vulnerable adult); 609.23 (mistreatment of persons

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confined); 609.231 (mistreatment of residents or patients); 609.2325 (criminal abuse of a vulnerable adult); 609.233 (criminal neglect of a vulnerable adult); 609.2335 (financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult); 609.234 (failure to report maltreatment of a vulnerable adult); 609.72, subdivision 3 (disorderly conduct against a vulnerable adult); 609.265 (abduction); 609.378 (neglect or endangerment of a child); 609.377 (malicious punishment of a child); 609.324, subdivision 1a (other prohibited acts; minor engaged in prostitution); 609.33 (disorderly house); 609.52 (theft); 609.582 (burglary); 609.631 (check forgery; offering a forged check); 609.275 (attempt to coerce); or an attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses, as each of these offenses is defined in Minnesota Statutes; or an offense in any other state or country, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the offenses listed in this clause. If the defendant is convicted of one of the gross misdemeanors listed in this clause, but the sentence is a misdemeanor disposition, the lookback period for the conviction is the period applicable to misdemeanors; or

(4) if less than seven years have passed since the discharge of the sentence imposed for the offense; and the individual has received a misdemeanor conviction for a violation of any of the following offenses: sections 609.224 (assault in the fifth degree); 609.2242 (domestic assault); violation of an order for protection under 518B.01 (Domestic Abuse Act); violation of an order for protection under 609.3232 (protective order authorized; procedures; penalties); 609.746 (interference with privacy); 609.79 (obscene or harassing phone calls); 609.795 (letter, telegram, or package; opening; harassment); 617.23 (indecent exposure; penalties); 609.2672 (assault of an unborn child in the third degree); 617.293 (harmful materials; dissemination and display to minors prohibited); 609.66 (dangerous weapons); 609.665 (spring guns); 609.2335 (financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult); 609.234 (failure to report maltreatment of a vulnerable adult); 609.52 (theft); 609.27 (coercion); or an attempt or conspiracy to commit any of these offenses, as each of these offenses is defined in Minnesota Statutes; or an offense in any other state or country, the elements of which are substantially similar to the elements of any of the offenses listed in this clause; a determination or disposition of failure to make required reports under section 626.556, subdivision 3, or 626.557, subdivision 3, for incidents in which: (i) the final disposition under section 626.556 or 626.557 was substantiated maltreatment, and (ii) the maltreatment was recurring or serious; or a determination or disposition of substantiated serious or recurring maltreatment of a minor under section 626.556 or of a vulnerable adult under section 626.557 for which there is a preponderance of evidence that the maltreatment occurred, and that the subject was responsible for the maltreatment.

For the purposes of this section, "serious maltreatment" means sexual abuse; maltreatment resulting in death; or maltreatment resulting in serious injury which reasonably requires the care of a physician whether or not the care of a physician was sought; or abuse resulting in serious injury. For purposes of this section, "abuse resulting in serious injury" means: bruises, bites, skin laceration or tissue damage; fractures; dislocations; evidence of internal injuries; head injuries with loss of consciousness; extensive second-degree or third-degree burns and other burns for which complications are present; extensive second-degree or third-degree frostbite,

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and others for which complications are present; irreversible mobility or avulsion of teeth; injuries to the eyeball; ingestion of foreign substances and objects that are harmful; near drowning; and heat exhaustion or sunstroke. For purposes of this section, "care of a physician" is treatment received or ordered by a physician, but does not include diagnostic testing, assessment, or observation. For the purposes of this section, "recurring maltreatment" means more than one incident of maltreatment for which there is a preponderance of evidence that the maltreatment occurred, and that the subject was responsible for the maltreatment. For purposes of this section, "access" means physical access to an individual receiving services or the individual's personal property without continuous, direct supervision as defined in section 245A.04, subdivision 3.

(b) Except for background studies related to child foster care, adult foster care, or family child care licensure, when the subject of a background study is regulated by a health-related licensing board as defined in chapter 214, and the regulated person has been determined to have been responsible for substantiated maltreatment under section 626.556 or 626.557, instead of the commissioner making a decision regarding disqualification, the board shall make a determination whether to impose disciplinary or corrective action under chapter 214.

(1) The commissioner shall notify the health-related licensing board:

(i) upon completion of a background study that produces a record showing that the individual was determined to have been responsible for substantiated maltreatment;

(ii) upon the commissioner's completion of an investigation that determined the individual was responsible for substantiated maltreatment; or

(iii) upon receipt from another agency of a finding of substantiated maltreatment for which the individual was responsible.

(2) The commissioner's notice shall indicate whether the individual would have been disqualified by the commissioner for the substantiated maltreatment if the individual were not regulated by the board. The commissioner shall concurrently send this notice to the individual.

(3) Notwithstanding the exclusion from this subdivision for individuals who provide child foster care, adult foster care, or family child care, when the commissioner or a local agency has reason to believe that the direct contact services provided by the individual may fall within the jurisdiction of a health-related licensing board, a referral shall be made to the board as provided in this section.

(4) If, upon review of the information provided by the commissioner, a health-related licensing board informs the commissioner that the board does not have jurisdiction to take disciplinary or corrective action, the commissioner shall make the appropriate disqualification decision regarding the individual as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(5) The commissioner has the authority to monitor the facility's compliance with any requirements that the health-related licensing board places on regulated persons

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practicing in a facility either during the period pending a final decision on a disciplinary or corrective action or as a result of a disciplinary or corrective action. The commissioner has the authority to order the immediate removal of a regulated person from direct contact or access when a board issues an order of temporary suspension based on a determination that the regulated person poses an immediate risk of harm to persons receiving services in a licensed facility.

(6) A facility that allows a regulated person to provide direct contact services while not complying with the requirements imposed by the health-related licensing board is subject to action by the commissioner as specified under sections 245A.06 and 245A.07.

(7) The commissioner shall notify a health-related licensing board immediately upon receipt of knowledge of noncompliance with requirements placed on a facility or upon a person regulated by the board.

### Sec. 3. **BACKGROUND STUDY PROCESS AND VULNERABLE ADULT ACT REVIEW.**

The commissioner of human services shall consult with the commissioners of health and corrections, the attorney general, and stakeholder groups involved with vulnerable adult maltreatment investigations under Minnesota Statutes, section 626.557, and the background studies completed under Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.04, and inform the legislature about the issues reported to be most in need of a policy review by the legislature.

Stakeholders consulted must include representatives of provider groups for programs licensed by the commissioners of health, human services, and corrections; unions; the ombudsman for mental health and mental retardation; and consumer advocacy groups.

The review shall include a report on available data regarding the background study set-aside and variance processes and the resulting maltreatment findings against people with criminal histories who have been allowed by a state agency to provide services to children and vulnerable adults.

The review shall also include a report on the data regarding maltreatment investigations, rates of substantiation of maltreatment, appeals of findings, and appeal results.

The review shall also examine crimes that currently are considered disqualifying crimes and recommend any change to current laws deemed appropriate.

The commissioner shall provide this report to the chairs of the senate health and family security committee and the house of representatives health and human services committee by January 15, 2003.

### Sec. 4. **TRACKING OF CIVIL ACTIONS INVOLVING SEXUAL ABUSE.**

The supreme court is requested to study and make recommendations regarding methods for tracking the filing and status of civil actions for damages resulting from

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sexual abuse, for purposes of identifying individuals who may be disqualified from human services licensing under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 245A. The supreme court is requested to report back to the legislature by July 15, 2003, with the results of its study and recommendations for implementation of a tracking system.

Presented to the governor March 25, 2002

Signed by the governor March 26, 2002, 2:32 p.m.

### CHAPTER 293—S.F.No. 2933

*An act relating to pollution; allowing installation of certain individual sewage treatment systems; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 115.55, by adding a subdivision.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 115.55, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. WARRANTIED SYSTEMS. (a) An individual sewage treatment system may be installed provided that it meets all local ordinance requirements and provided the requirements of paragraphs (b) to (d) are met.

(b) The manufacturer shall provide to the commissioner:

(1) documentation that the manufacturer's system was designated by the agency as a warrantied system as of June 30, 2001, and the system meets the size requirements or other requirements that were the basis for the warrantied system classification;

(2) documentation showing that a minimum of 50 of the manufacturer's systems have been installed and operated and are under normal use across all major soil classifications for a minimum of three years;

(3) documentation that the system manufacturer or designer will provide full warranty effective for at least five years from the time of installation, covering design, labor, and material costs to remedy failure to meet performance expectations for systems used and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's or designer's instructions; and

(4) a commonly accepted financial assurance document or documentation of the manufacturer's or designer's financial ability to cover potential replacement and upgrades necessitated by failure of the system to meet the performance expectations for the duration of the warranty period.

(c) The manufacturer shall reimburse the agency an amount of \$1,000 for staff services needed to review the information submitted pursuant to paragraph (b). Reimbursements accepted by the agency shall be deposited in the environmental fund

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