

CHAPTER 63—S.F.No. 1869

An act relating to local government; modifying a shared hospital or ambulance service purchasing provision; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 471.345, subdivision 10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2004, section 471.345, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **SHARED HOSPITAL OR AMBULANCE SERVICE PURCHASING.** Supplies, materials, or equipment to be used in the operation of a hospital licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56 or an ambulance service licensed under chapter 144E that are purchased or leased under a shared service purchasing arrangement whereby more than one hospital or ambulance service purchases supplies, materials, or equipment with one or more other hospitals or ambulance services either through one of the hospitals or ambulance services or through another entity, may be purchased without regard to the competitive bidding requirements of this section, if the following conditions are met:

- (1) the hospital's or ambulance service's governing authority authorizes the arrangement;
- (2) the shared services purchasing program purchases items available from more than one source on the basis of competitive bids or competitive quotations of prices; and
- (3) the arrangement authorizes the hospital's or ambulance service's governing authority or its representatives to review the purchasing procedures to determine compliance with these requirements.

The shared services purchasing program may award contracts to more than one bidder if doing so does not decrease the service level or diminish the effects of competition.

Presented to the governor May 19, 2005

Signed by the governor May 23, 2005, 11:00 a.m.

CHAPTER 64—H.F.No. 1461

An act relating to motor vehicles; modifying and simplifying provisions related to parking for persons with disabilities; making technical and clarifying changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2004, sections 85.052, subdivision 3; 85.053, subdivision 7; 168.011, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; 168.021; 168.33, subdivision 8; 169.345; 169.346, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3.

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New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.