

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 123.78, Subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **EDUCATION; SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TRANSPORTATION AID.** (a) The school board of any local district shall provide school bus transportation to the district boundary for school children residing in the district at least the same distance from a nonpublic school actually attended in ~~an adjacent contiguous~~ another district as public school pupils are transported in the transporting district, whether or not there is another nonpublic school within the transporting district, if the transportation is to schools maintaining grades or departments not maintained in the district or if the attendance of such children at school can more safely, economically, or conveniently be provided for by such means. (b) The school board of any local district may provide school bus transportation to a nonpublic school in ~~an adjacent contiguous~~ another district for school children residing in the district and attending that school, whether or not there is another nonpublic school within the transporting district, if the transportation is to schools maintaining grades or departments not maintained in the district or if the attendance of such children at school can more safely, economically, or conveniently be provided for by such means. If the board transports children to ~~the a~~ nonpublic school located in ~~the adjacent contiguous~~ another district, the nonpublic school shall pay the cost of such transportation provided outside the district boundaries.

Sec. 2. Additional transportation aid calculated pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 124.222 and 124.223, shall be paid to any school district that would be entitled to the aid in the 1974-1975 school year but for the intervention of unorganized territory between it and the next adjacent contiguous district.

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CHAPTER 52—H.F.No.51

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to distinctions on the basis of sex; abolishing these distinctions in the law concerning changing of names; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Sections 259.10; 259.11; 517.08, Subdivision 3; 518.27; and Chapter 517, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 259.10, is amended to read:

259.10 HUMAN RIGHTS; DISCRIMINATION ON BASIS OF SEX; CHANGE OF NAME; PROCEDURE. A person who shall have resided

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in any county for one year may apply to the district court thereof to have his name, the names of his minor children, if any, and the name of his ~~wife-spouse~~ , if ~~she-the spouse~~ joins in the application, changed in the manner herein specified. He shall state in his application the name and age of his ~~wife-spouse~~ and each of his children, if any, and shall describe all lands in the state in or upon which he , his children and his spouse if their names are also to be changed by the application, claims-claim any interest or lien, and shall appear personally before the court and prove his identity by at least two witnesses. ~~If he be a minor, his guardian or next of kin shall also appear. If he be under the age of 14 years-a minor~~ , the application ~~may-shall~~ be made by his guardian or next of kin. Every person who, with intent to defraud, shall make a false statement in any such application shall be guilty of a misdemeanor provided, however, that no minor child's name may be changed without both of his parents having notice of the pending of the application for change of name, whenever practicable, as determined by the court.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 259.11, is amended to read:

259.11 ORDER; FILING COPIES. ~~If it shall appear to the court to be proper, it-Upon meeting the requirements of section 259.10, the court shall grant the application and unless it finds that there is an intent to defraud or mislead or in the case of the change of a minor child's name, the court finds that such name change is not in the best interests of the child. The court shall~~ set forth in the order the name and age of his ~~wife-spouse~~ and each child of the applicant, if any, and shall state a description of the lands, if any, in which the applicant and ~~said wife-his spouse~~ and children, if any, claim to have an interest. The clerk shall file such order, and record the same in the judgment book. If lands be described therein, a certified copy of the order shall be filed for record, by the clerk, with the register of deeds of each county wherein any of the same are situated. Before doing so he shall present the same to the county auditor who shall enter the change of name in his official records and note upon the instrument, over his official signature, the words "change of name recorded." Any such order shall not be filed, nor any certified copy thereof be issued, until the applicant shall have paid to the clerk the cost of such record. The fee of the clerk shall be as provided by law. No application shall be denied on the basis of the marital status of the applicant.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 517.08, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. The personal information necessary to complete the report of marriage shall be furnished by the applicant prior to the issuance of the license. The report shall contain only the following information:

- (a) Personal information on bride and groom.

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1. Name.
2. Residence.
3. Date and place of birth.
4. Race.
5. If previously married, how terminated.
6. Name after marriage.
- 6- 7. Signature of applicant and date signed.

(b) Information concerning the marriage.

1. Date of marriage.
2. Place of marriage.
3. Civil or religious ceremony.

(c) Signature of clerk of court and date signed.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Chapter 517, is amended by adding a section to read:

[517.071] NO REQUIREMENT OF CHANGE OF NAME. If in completing the report of marriage the woman fails to designate a name after marriage in the space provided, it shall be presumed that she has adopted the surname of the groom.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 518.27, is amended to read:

518.27 EFFECT OF DISSOLUTION; NAME OF PARTY. When a decree of dissolution from the bonds of matrimony is granted in this state, such decree shall completely dissolve the marriage contract as to both parties. If a dissolution is granted, the court ~~may shall, if requested by the party whose name was changed by the marriage,~~ change the name of either party, upon the request of the party, the party who had acquired the name of his spouse back to that person's family name or the name acquired from a prior spouse, and that person shall thereafter be known by such that family name as the court designates in its and so designated in the court's decree.

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