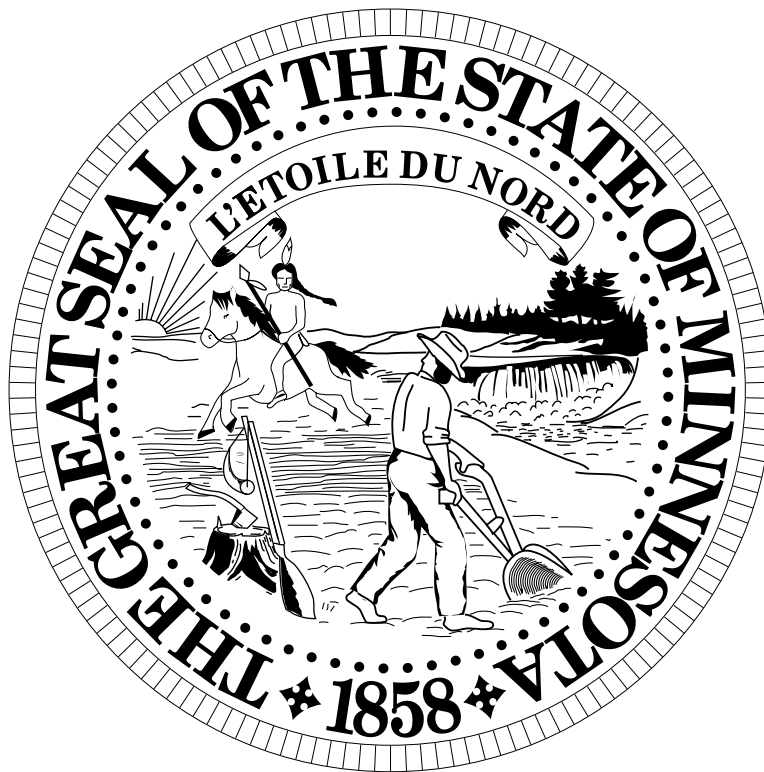


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Comments on Planned Rules or Rule Amendments

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Rules to be Adopted After a Hearing

After receiving comments and deciding to hold a public hearing on the rule, an agency drafts its rule. It then publishes its rules with a notice of hearing. All persons wishing to make a statement must register at the hearing. Anyone who wishes to submit written comments may do so at the hearing, or within five working days of the close of the hearing. Administrative law judges may, during the hearing, extend the period for receiving comments up to 20 calendar days. For five business days after the submission period the agency and interested persons may respond to any new information submitted during the written submission period and the record then is closed. The administrative law judge prepares a report within 30 days, stating findings of fact, conclusions and recommendations. After receiving the report, the agency decides whether to adopt, withdraw or modify the proposed rule based on consideration of the comments made during the rule hearing procedure and the report of the administrative law judge. The agency must wait five days after receiving the report before taking any action.

Rules to be Adopted Without a Hearing

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* § 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing. An agency must first solicit **Comments on Planned Rules** or **Comments on Planned Rule Amendments** from the public. The agency then publishes a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the *State Register*. If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing of the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.14-14.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the *State Register*.

Board of Nursing Home Administrators

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Licensure

Minnesota Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators

DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing If 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing Licensure of Nursing Home Administrators, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 6400

Introduction. The Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28, and rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310. If, however, 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules within 30 days or by 4:30 p.m. on March 24, 2000, a public hearing will be held in Room A, fourth floor, University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414, starting at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, April 17, 2000. To find out whether the rules will be adopted without a hearing or if the hearing will be held, you should contact the agency contact person after March 24, 2000 and before April 17, 2000.

Agency Contact Person. Comments or questions on the rules and written requests for a public hearing on the rules must be submitted to the agency contact person. The agency contact person is: Jamie Cullen at Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators, 2829 University Avenue SE, Suite 440, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414, phone 612-617-2117, FAX 612-617-2119 or e-mail BENHA@state.mn.us. TTY users may call the TTY relay at 1-800-627-3529.

Subject of Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed rules are about which individuals the rules apply to, a definition of the term "hospital" as it is used in the rules for licensure applicants to qualify for reduced hours of a practicum requirement, dates upon which requirements apply to applicants, requirements that applicants must meet to qualify for reduced hours of practicum requirements, a new way for experienced administrators to qualify for licensure by reciprocity, the time within which licensees must notify the board of any change in the phone number at which they may be contacted in connection with their license, requirements for acting administrator permits, elimination of a fee to be paid to the board for a national exam now being administered by the examination service rather than the board, a new fee to be charged to persons seeking advisory opinions from board staff about their qualifications to meet board requirements for licensure before proceeding to make a full application, and a fee reduction for persons who are initially licensed for only part of a licensure year. The board is also proposing repeal of *Minnesota Rule* 6400.6560 subpart 2 which was made obsolete by a 1998 statutory change that now exempts from the jurisdiction of the board persons who administer facilities operated by and for the adherents of any recognized church or religious denomination for the purpose of providing care and treatment of those who select spiritual means in lieu of medical care for healing. The statutory authority to adopt the rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144A.24. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the *State Register* and attached to this notice as mailed.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2000, to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. Your comments should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed. You are encouraged to propose any change desired. Any comments that you would like to make on the legality of the proposed rules must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rules. Your request for a public hearing must be in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2000. Your written request for a public hearing must include your name and address. You must identify the portion of the proposed rules to which you object or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and cannot be counted by the agency for determining whether a public hearing must be held. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Alternative Format/Accommodation. Upon request, this Notice can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Modifications. The proposed rules may be modified, either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. Modifications must be supported by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing and the adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, you are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process.

Cancellation of Hearing. The hearing scheduled for April 17, 2000, will be canceled if the agency does not receive requests from 25 or more persons that a hearing be held on the rules. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing whether or not the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at 612-617-2117 after March 24, 2000, to find out whether the hearing will be held.

Notice of Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit written requests for a public hearing on the rules, a hearing will be held following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The hearing will be held on the date and at the time and place listed above. The hearing will continue until all interested persons have been heard. Administrative Law Judge Richard Luis is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Luis can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, MN 55401-2138, telephone 612-349-2542, and FAX 612-349-2665.

Hearing Procedure. If a hearing is held, you and all interested or affected persons, including representatives of associations or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views either orally at the hearing or in writing at any time before the close of the hearing record. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules. You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. This five-day comment period may be extended for a longer period not to exceed 20 calendar days if ordered by the Administrative Law Judge at the hearing. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day response period during which the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No additional evidence may be submitted during the five-day response period. All comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge must be received at the Office of Administrative Hearings no later than 4:30 p.m. on the due date. All comments or responses received will be available for review at the Office of Administrative Hearings. This rule hearing procedure is governed by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. Questions about procedure may be directed to the Administrative Law Judge.

The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge prior to the hearing or during the comment or response period also submit a copy of the written views or data to the agency contact person at the address stated above.

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| <p>KEY: PROPOSED RULES SECTION — <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to existing rule language. Strike outs indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated “all new material.” ADOPTED RULES SECTION — <u>Underlining</u> indicates additions to proposed rule language. Strike outs indicate deletions from proposed rule language.</p> |
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Proposed Rules

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. A statement of need and reasonableness is now available from the agency contact person. This statement contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rules, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. The statement may also be reviewed and copies obtained at the cost of reproduction from either the agency or the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Questions regarding this requirement may be directed to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: First Floor South, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone 651-296-5148 or 1-800-657-3889.

Adoption Procedure if No Hearing. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the comment period. The rules and supporting documents will then be submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want to be so notified, or want to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure After a Hearing. If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date when the Administrative Law Judge's report will become available, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date on which the agency adopts the rules and files them with the Secretary of State, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the agency contact person stated above.

Order. I order that the rulemaking hearing be held at the date, time, and location listed above.

Dated: 4 February 2000

Julie Vikmanis
Executive Director

6400.5000 SCOPE.

This chapter applies to:

A. individuals who:

- (1) are applicants or prospective applicants for licensure as nursing home administrators under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144A.20;
- (2) are applicants for designation as acting administrators under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144A.27; ~~and~~
- (3) are licensees of the board; ~~and~~
- (4) hold permits issued by the board to serve as acting administrators under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144A.27;

[For text of items B and C, see M.R.]

6400.5100 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subps 1 to 9, see M.R.]

Subp. 9a. Hospital. "Hospital" means a facility in which accommodation is furnished or offered for the reception and care of sick or injured patients for a continuous period longer than 24 hours for the purpose of diagnosis or treatment bearing on the physical or mental health of the patients. It does not mean a clinic or day surgery center.

[For text of subps 10 to 17, see M.R.]

6400.6500 SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS.

[For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]

Subp. 4. Health care and medical needs. An applicant must complete a course in health care and medical needs of nursing facility residents covering:

[For text of items A and B, see M.R.]

C. medical and pharmacological terminology.

~~An applicant who applies for licensure before September 1, 1999, may satisfy the requirements of this subpart by completing a course in medical terminology, including a study of commonly accepted medical terms used in long term care.~~

Subp. 5. **Nursing facility services, programs, and issues.** An applicant must complete a course in the organization, operations, functions, services, and programs of nursing facilities covering:

[For text of items A to D, see M.R.]

~~E. for an applicant who applies for licensure on or after September 1, 1997, issues of cultural diversity and human relationships between and among employees and residents of nursing facilities and their family members.~~

[For text of subps 6 and 7, see M.R.]

Subp. 8. **Information uses.** An applicant ~~who applies for licensure on or after September 1, 1999,~~ must complete a course in the accumulation and analysis of data to inform management decision making including:

[For text of items A to D, see M.R.]

[For text of subp 9, see M.R.]

6400.6560 WAIVER PROVISIONS OF ALL COURSE REQUIREMENTS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. [See repealer.]

6400.6650 PRACTICUM DURATION.

Subpart 1. **Waiver and minimum number of hours.** The minimum number of hours to be spent by each individual in the practicum experience shall vary according to the following schedule:

A. waived for an individual who has one year of continuous full-time employment as the licensed administrator and chief executive officer or the assistant administrator of a nursing facility, provided that the individual presents the board evidence that the individual's employment as assistant administrator included items A to F of part 6400.6600, subpart 1. Time working as an acting administrator under an acting license or permit in the same nursing facility where the individual also served as the licensed administrator or assistant administrator is counted in meeting this standard if the individual's employment under both titles combined was one continuous year;

[For text of items B to D, see M.R.]

E. 300 hours for an individual with two or more years of ~~non health care related~~ managerial or administrative employment experience, including supervision of at least 25 employees and responsibility for an annual budget of at least \$250,000; or

F. 400 hours for an individual with none of the experience specified in items A to E.

The amount of experience required to qualify for a practicum reduction under items C, D, and E shall be measured in full-time equivalency at the rate of 35 hours per week.

[For text of subp 2, see M.R.]

6400.6700 RECIPROCITY.

The board shall issue a license to a nursing home administrator who has been issued and currently holds a license as a nursing home administrator in another jurisdiction provided that:

A. the other jurisdiction maintains requirements for nursing home administrator licensure which are substantially equivalent to those required under part 6400.6000 or the applicant is currently certified as a nursing home administrator and provides the board evidence of having successfully completed a professional certification program in nursing facility administration endorsed by NAB;

[For text of items B to D, see M.R.]

6400.6710 LICENSEE RESPONSIBILITIES.

Each licensee shall:

[For text of item A, see M.R.]

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B. provide notice to the board within ten working days of any change in mailing address or telephone number pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 13.41, subdivision 2, paragraph (b);

[For text of items C to E, see M.R.]

6400.6770 ACTING ADMINISTRATOR PERMITS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Qualifications.** An applicant for a permit to serve a facility as an acting nursing home administrator must furnish satisfactory evidence that the applicant:

[For text of items A and B, see M.R.]

C. has experience in the management of a nursing home or related facility or program or has completed a majority of the courses required for licensure under part 6400.6500; ~~and~~

D. has passed within the last two years the state examination under parts 6400.6000, item E, and 6400.6100, subpart 4; and

E. is in good standing in each jurisdiction from which the applicant has ever received a nursing facility administrator license.

6400.6970 FEES.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. **Amounts.** The amount of fees may be set by the board with the approval of the Department of Finance up to the limits provided in this part depending upon the total amount required to sustain board operations under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 16A.1285, subdivision 2. Information about fees in effect at any time is available from the board office. The maximum amounts of fees are:

A. application for licensure, \$150;

B. ~~NAB examination, \$150 for a prospective applicant for a review of education and experience advisory to the license application.~~ \$50, to be applied to the fee for application for licensure if the latter is submitted within one year of the request for review of education and experience;

C. state examination, \$75;

D. initial license, \$200 if issued between July 1 and December 31, \$100 if issued between January 1 and June 30;

[For text of items E to L, see M.R.]

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 6400.6560, subpart 2, is repealed.

Board of Social Work

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Fees

DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing If 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Fees, *Minnesota Rules* 8740.0290

Introduction. The Minnesota Board of Social Work intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28, and rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310. If, however, 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules within 30 days or by 4:30 p.m. on March 23, 2000, a public hearing will be held in the Red River Room, Minnesota Department of Health, Snelling Office Park Conference Center, 1645 Energy Park Drive, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55108, starting at 10:00 am on Monday, April 3, 2000. To find out whether the rules will be adopted without a hearing or if the hearing will be held, you should contact the agency contact person after March 23, 2000 and before April 3, 2000.

Agency Contact Person. Comments or questions on the rules and written requests for a public hearing on the rules must be submitted to the agency contact person. The agency contact person is: Penny Troolin, Executive Director, Minnesota Board of Social Work, 2829 University Avenue SE, Suite 340, Minneapolis Minnesota 55414-3239; Telephone: (612) 617-2108; Toll Free: (888) 234-1320; TTY: (800) 627-3529; FAX: (612) 617-2103; E-Mail: social.work@state.mn.us.

Subject of Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed rules are about fees. The statutory authority to adopt the rules is *Minnesota Statutes*, section 148B.20, subdivision 3. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the *State Register* and attached to this notice as mailed.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2000, to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. Your comments should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed. You are encouraged to propose any change desired. Any comments that you would like to make on the legality of the proposed rules must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rules. Your request for a public hearing must be in writing and must be received by the agency contact person by 4:30 p.m. on March 23, 2000. Your written request for a public hearing must include your name and address. You must identify the portion of the proposed rules to which you object or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and cannot be counted by the agency for determining whether a public hearing must be held. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Alternative Format/Accommodation. Upon request, this Notice can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Modifications. The proposed rules may be modified, either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. Modifications must be supported by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing and the adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, you are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process.

Cancellation of Hearing. The hearing scheduled for April 3, 2000, will be canceled if the agency does not receive requests from 25 or more persons that a hearing be held on the rules. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing whether or not the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at (612) 617-2108 after March 23, 2000 to find out whether the hearing will be held.

Notice of Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit written requests for a public hearing on the rules, a hearing will be held following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The hearing will be held on the date and at the time and place listed above. The hearing will continue until all interested persons have been heard. Administrative Law Judge Bruce Johnson is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Johnson can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401-2138, telephone 612-341-7607, and FAX 612-349-2665.

Hearing Procedure. If a hearing is held, you and all interested or affected persons, including representatives of associations or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views either orally at the hearing or in writing at any time before the close of the hearing record. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules. You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. This five-day comment period may be extended for a longer period not to exceed 20 calendar days if ordered by the Administrative Law Judge at the hearing. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day response period during which the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No additional evidence may be submitted during the five-day response period. All comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge must be received at the Office of Administrative Hearings no later than 4:30 p.m. on the due date. All comments or responses received will be available for review at the Office of Administrative Hearings. This rule hearing procedure is governed by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. Questions about procedure may be directed to the Administrative Law Judge.

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The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge prior to the hearing or during the comment or response period also submit a copy of the written views or data to the agency contact person at the address stated above.

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. A statement of need and reasonableness is now available from the agency contact person. This statement contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rules, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. The statement may also be reviewed and copies obtained at the cost of reproduction from either the agency or the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Questions regarding this requirement may be directed to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: First Floor South, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone 651-296-5148 or 1-800-657-3889.

Adoption Procedure if No Hearing. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the comment period. The rules and supporting documents will then be submitted to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want to be so notified, or want to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure After a Hearing. If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date when the Administrative Law Judge's report will become available, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date on which the agency adopts the rules and files them with the Secretary of State, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the agency contact person stated above.

Order. I order that the rulemaking hearing be held at the date, time, and location listed above.

Dated: 9 February 2000

Penny Troolin
Executive Director

8740.0290 FEES.

The fees in items A to ~~E~~ G shall be paid by personal check, bank draft, cashier's check, or money order made payable to the Board of Social Work. All fees are nonrefundable.

A. Application fee, ~~\$30~~ for licensure:

- (1) for a licensed social worker or a licensed graduate social worker, \$45;
- (2) for a licensed independent social worker or a licensed independent clinical social worker, \$90;
- (3) for a reciprocity application for licensure at all levels, \$150; and
- (4) for a temporary permit application, \$20.

B. Criminal background check fee, as determined by the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

C. License fee, payable in addition to application fee for licensure:

- (1) licensed social worker, ~~\$80~~ \$115.20;
- (2) licensed graduate social worker, ~~\$140~~ \$201.60;
- (3) licensed independent social worker, ~~\$210~~ \$302.40;
- (4) licensed independent clinical social worker, ~~\$230~~ \$331.20; and
- (5) temporary permit, \$20.

D. License renewal fee:

- (1) licensed social worker, ~~\$80~~ \$115.20;
- (2) licensed graduate social worker, ~~\$140~~ \$201.60;
- (3) licensed independent social worker, ~~\$210~~ \$302.40; and
- (4) licensed independent clinical social worker, ~~\$230~~ \$331.20.

E. Emeritus license fee, ~~\$30~~ \$43.20.

F. Duplicate license wall certificate, ~~\$15~~ \$30.

G. Inactive status fee:

- (1) licensed social worker, ~~\$80~~ \$115.20;
- (2) licensed graduate social worker, ~~\$140~~ \$201.60;
- (3) licensed independent social worker, ~~\$210~~ \$302.40; and
- (4) licensed independent clinical social worker, ~~\$230~~ \$331.20.

~~H. Application fee for continuing education program sponsor:~~

- ~~(1) for one to four continuing education hours applied for, \$30;~~
- ~~(2) for five to eight continuing education hours applied for, \$45;~~
- ~~(3) for nine to 16 continuing education hours applied for, \$60;~~
- ~~(4) for 17 to 24 continuing education hours applied for, \$75;~~
- ~~(5) for more than 24 hours applied for, \$100.~~

~~I. H.~~ Duplicate license card, ~~\$5~~ \$10.

~~J. Written licensure verification requested by the licensee for other jurisdictions, \$10.~~

~~K. I.~~ Late fee, ~~one-third~~ one-half of the applicable license renewal fee or inactive status fee.

~~L. Nonsufficient funds check, \$20.~~

EFFECTIVE DATE. The amendments to *Minnesota Rules*, part 8740.0290, are effective July 3, 2000.

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Exempt Rules

Exempt rules are excluded from the normal rulemaking procedures (*Minnesota Statutes* § 14.386 and 14.388). They are most often of two kinds. One kind is specifically exempted by the Legislature from rulemaking procedures, but approved for form by the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings, and then published in the *State Register*. These exempt rules are effective for two years only.

The second kind of exempt rule is one adopted where an agency for good cause finds that the rulemaking provisions of *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 14 are unnecessary, impracticable, or contrary to the public interest. This exemption can be used only where the rules:

- (1) address a serious and immediate threat to the public health, safety, or welfare, or
- (2) comply with a court order or a requirement in federal law in a manner that does not allow for compliance with *Minnesota Statutes* 14.14-14.28, or
- (3) incorporate specific changes set forth in applicable statutes when no interpretation of law is required, or
- (4) make changes that do not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of the rules.

These exempt rules are also reviewed for form by the Revisor of Statutes, for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings and then published in the *State Register*. In addition, the Office of Administrative Hearings must determine whether the agency has provided adequate justification for the use of this exemption. Rules adopted under clauses (1) or (2) above are effective for two years only.

The Legislature may also exempt an agency from the normal rulemaking procedures and establish other procedural and substantive requirements unique to that exemption.

Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Exempt Permanent Rules Relating to Designated Experimental Waters and Designated Special Management Waters

6264.0300 DESIGNATED EXPERIMENTAL WATERS.

[For text of subps 1 to 34, see M.R.]

Subp. 35. **Walleye slot limits on Big Sand and Little McDonald Lakes.** All walleye in possession while on or fishing in the following waters must be less than 18 inches in length or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 18 to 26 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's possession limit may not include more than one walleye over 26 inches.

| Name | Location | County | End Date |
|--|---------------------------|------------|--|
| A. Big Sand Lake | T.141, R.34, S.Various | Hubbard | 3/1/2000 <u>3/1/2005</u> |
| B. Little McDonald Lake (including Kerbs Lake) | T.136, R.40, S.Various | Otter Tail | 3/1/2010 |

[For text of subps 36 to 61, see M.R.]

Subp. 62. Mississippi River experimental regulations. The possession limit for smallmouth bass taken from the following waters is three fish. All smallmouth bass in possession while on or fishing on these waters must be less than 12 inches in length or greater than 20 inches in length. All smallmouth bass that are 12 to 20 inches in length, inclusive, must be returned to the water immediately. Not more than one smallmouth bass in possession may be over 20 inches in length.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>County</u> | <u>End Date</u> |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>Mississippi River</u> | <u>from the St. Cloud dam (T.124N, R.28W, S.13 and T.35N, R.31W, S.1) downstream to the mouth of the Crow River (T.121N, R.23W, S.36 and T.32N, R.26W, S.24) near Dayton</u> | <u>Sherburne, Wright Stearns</u> | <u>3/1/2009</u> |

6264.0400 DESIGNATED SPECIAL MANAGEMENT WATERS.

[For text of subpart 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. ~~Hay Creek special management regulations~~ **Catch and release fishing on trout streams.** While on or fishing in ~~Hay Creek the following waters,~~ angling for trout shall be limited to catch and release only, whereby any trout caught must be immediately returned to the water. Catch and release angling for trout shall be legal during the open season for trout in inland streams. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession, regardless of where taken, any trout while on or fishing in ~~Hay Creek the following waters.~~ All legal methods of taking trout are allowed, except that barbed hooks are prohibited. A hook from which the barb has been removed by crimping or filing is allowed.

| Name | Location | County |
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| Hay Creek | T.112, R.15, S. 23,24,26,27, from the posted boundary in the NW 1/4 NE 1/4, S.26 <u>at the point where Hay Creek</u> <u>crosses the SW 1/4 SE 1/4</u> <u>section line of S.24</u> upstream approximately 4.8 <u>4.2</u> miles to the posted boundary in the SW 1/4 SE 1/4 S.27 | Goodhue |
| <u>Middle Branch</u> <u>Whitewater</u> <u>River</u> | <u>T.107, R.11, S.35 and</u> <u>T.106, R.11, S.2,3,10, from</u> <u>the posted boundary at the</u> <u>point where a tributary</u> <u>enters the stream from the</u> <u>west in the NW 1/4 NE 1/4,</u> <u>S.35 of T.107, R.11 upstream</u> <u>approximately 3.3 miles to</u> <u>the source in the SW 1/4 NE</u> <u>1/4, S.10 of T.106, R.11</u> | Olmsted |

[For text of subp 3, see M.R.]

[For text of subp 4, see 23 SR 2132, May 10, 1999]

[For text of subps 5 to 12, see M.R.]

Subp. 13. Largemouth bass and smallmouth bass catch and release regulations. While on or on fishing in these waters, angling for largemouth bass and smallmouth bass shall be limited to catch and release only, whereby any largemouth bass or smallmouth bass caught must be immediately returned to the water. Catch and release angling for largemouth bass or smallmouth bass shall be legal during the open season for largemouth bass and smallmouth bass in inland waters. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass or smallmouth bass while on or fishing in these waters.

| Name | Location | County |
|-------------------|---|---------------|
| <u>Clear Lake</u> | <u>T.107, R.22,</u> <u>S.4,5,8,9,16,17</u> | <u>Waseca</u> |

REPEALER. *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6264.0300, subpart 25; and 6264.0400, subpart 11, are repealed.

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ERRATA

Corrections to agency errors in rules or in following the rulemaking processes, as well as incomplete notices, mislabeled rules, incorrect notices and citations will appear in this section. Whenever an error is corrected in this section, it's corresponding rule number(s) will also appear in the *State Register's* index to rulemaking activity, **Minnesota Rules: Amendments and Additions**.

Department of Revenue

Property Tax Division

CORRECTION TO Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Utilities; Valuation and Assessment of Electric, Gas Distribution, and Pipeline Companies

The rules proposed and published at *State Register*, Volume 24, Number 16, pages 577-581, October 18, 1999 (24 SR 577) are corrected with the following modifications on page 580:

On the line, 2c. General Plant Items, the value was incorrectly listed as 100,00. The correct value for 2c. General Plant Items, should be 100,000. See below for the correction in context.

8100.0500 ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON-FORMULA-ASSESSED OR EXEMPT PROPERTY.

Subp. 4a. Deduction for exempt or non-formula-assessed property of cooperatives electing to be valued under part 8100.0300, subparts 3 to 5. In the case of cooperative associations valued using unit valuation, exempt or non-formula-assessed property shall be deducted to the extent included in the unit value. The value to be deducted shall be computed by adding the cost of all exempt or locally assessed property and dividing by the cost of all property in Minnesota. The resulting percentage shall be multiplied by the Minnesota portion of the unit value to arrive at the amount to be deducted. The amount to be deducted is subtracted from the Minnesota portion of the unit value.

The following example illustrates how these items are deducted from the Minnesota portion of the unit value.

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| 1. | <u>Minnesota portion of Unit Value</u> | <u>\$1,000,000</u> |
| 2. | <u>Cost of Excludable Items</u> | |
| | a. <u>Land Assessed Locally</u> | <u>10,000</u> |
| | b. <u>Land Rights</u> | <u>15,000</u> |
| | c. <u>General Plant Items</u> | <u>100,000</u> |
| | d. <u>Rural Distribution Lines</u> | <u>865,000</u> |
| 3. | <u>Total Cost of Excludable Items</u> | <u>990,000</u> |
| 4. | <u>Total Cost of Minnesota Property</u> | <u>1,100,000</u> |
| 5. | <u>Percent Excludable equals Line 3 divided by Line 4</u> | <u>90.0%</u> |
| 6. | <u>Amount Excludable equals Line 5 times Line 1</u> | <u>900,000</u> |
| 7. | <u>Minnesota Apportionable Value equals Line 1 minus line 6</u> | <u>100,000</u> |

Executive Orders

The governor has the authority to issue written statements of orders, called Executive Orders, as well as Emergency Executive Orders. The governor's authority is specified in the *Constitution of the State of Minnesota*, Article V, and in *Minnesota Statutes* 4.035. Emergency Executive Orders, for protection from an imminent threat to health and safety, become effective immediately, are filed with the secretary of state, and published in the *State Register* as soon as possible after they are issued. Other Executive Orders become effective 15 days after publication in the *State Register* and filing with the secretary of state. Unless otherwise specified, an executive order expires 90 days after the date the governor who issued the order vacates office.

Office of the Governor

Emergency Executive Order #00-01: Providing for Emergency Relief from Regulations to Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating in Minnesota

I, JESSE VENTURA, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and *Minnesota Statutes*, section 221.0269, do hereby issue this Emergency Executive Order:

WHEREAS, a major supplier of propane used for residential heating in southern Minnesota and surrounding states has been forced to impose strict product allocations on shippers; and

WHEREAS, drivers of delivery trucks are required to wait for several hours at pipeline terminals for loading; and

WHEREAS, this situation has resulted in distribution and delivery problems and has seriously affected the availability of heating and motor fuels.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby declare that:

1. A state of emergency exists in Minnesota that requires relief from regulations incorporated in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 221.0314, subdivision 9, pertaining to hours of service for carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles, while transporting heating and motor fuels to customers.
2. Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve motor carriers and drivers from regulations pertaining to qualifications of drivers, driving of commercial motor vehicles, or parts and accessories necessary for the safe operation of vehicles.
3. No motor carrier operating under the terms of this emergency order shall require or allow a fatigued or ill driver to operate a motor vehicle. A driver who informs a carrier that he or she needs immediate rest shall be given at least eight consecutive hours off duty before the driver is required to return to service.
4. Upon the expiration of the effective dates of this emergency order, or when a driver has been relieved of all duty and responsibility to provide direct assistance to the emergency effort, a driver that has had at least 24 consecutive hours off-duty shall be permitted to restart his/her on-duty status hours at zero.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 1998, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Executive Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until February 15, 2000, unless superseded or extended under *Minnesota Statutes*, section 221.0269, subd. 2.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this tenth day of February, 2000.



JESSE VENTURA
Governor

Filed According to Law:



MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State

Official Notices

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking. The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Agricultural and Economic Development Board

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Project and the Issuance of Bonds Under *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41A on Behalf of Fairview Health Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Agricultural and Economic Development Board (the "Board") or its designated representative, shall meet on March 14, 2000, at 9:00 a.m., at 500 Metro Square, 121 7th Place East, Saint Paul, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on a proposed issue of bonds (the "Bonds") and the provision of other financial assistance under *Minnesota Statutes* 1986, Chapter 116M, and *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41A, as amended (the "Act"), to undertake and finance a project on behalf Fairview Health Services, a Minnesota nonprofit corporation (the "Applicant"). Such persons as desire to be heard with reference to said issue of Bonds will be heard at this public hearing.

The project consists of (i) financing the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of the Fairview Red Wing Health Services Hospital and Clinic, at the southeast corner of the intersection of Tyler Road and Bench Street, Red Wing, consisting of the construction of an approximately 170,000 square foot facility to replace an approximately 60,000 square foot acute care hospital facility licensed for 96 beds and an approximately 33,000 square foot medical clinic building and the acquisition and installation of equipment at the facility, (ii) financing the acquisition, construction, renovation, expansion and equipping of Fairview Ridges Hospital, at 201 East Nicollet Boulevard, Burnsville, consisting of an approximately 65,000 square foot addition and 15,000 square foot renovation to the existing 171,000 square foot acute care hospital licensed for 150 beds and the acquisition and installation of equipment at the facility, (iii) financing the acquisition, construction, renovation, expansion and equipping of Fairview Southdale Hospital at 6400 and 6401 France Avenue South, Edina, consisting of an approximately 74,000 square foot addition and 52,000 square foot renovation to the 459,000 square foot acute care hospital facility licensed for 390 beds and a new parking facility for approximately 1,200 cars and the acquisition and installation of equipment at the facilities, (iv) financing the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of University Medical Center-Mesabi and Fairview Mesaba Clinic at 750 East 34th Street, Hibbing, consisting of the construction of an approximately 40,000 square foot medical clinic building attached to an approximately 170,000 square foot acute care hospital licensed for 175 beds and the acquisition and installation of equipment at the facility, (v) financing the acquisition, construction, renovation, expansion and equipping of Fairview Lakes Regional Medical Center at 5200 Fairview Boulevard, Wyoming, consisting of an approximately 20,000 square foot addition to the existing 94,000 square foot acute care hospital facility licensed for 70 licensed beds and the acquisition and installation of equipment at the facility, and (vi) the refunding of the outstanding Health Care Facilities Revenue Bonds (River Region Obligated Group), Series 1993A (the "1993A Bonds"), Health Care Facilities Refunding Revenue Bonds (River Region Obligated Group), Series 1993B (the "1993B Bonds"), and Elderly Housing Facilities Refunding Revenue Bonds (River Region Obligated Group), Series 1993C (the "Series 1993C Bonds"), issued by the City of Red Wing, Minnesota in the case of the 1993A Bonds and 1993B Bonds, to finance and refinance, an acute care hospital facility located at 1407 West Fourth Street, Red Wing, and issued by the City of Red Wing, Minnesota in the case of the Series 1993C Bonds, to refinance a 101 unit elderly housing facilities located at 434 West Fourth Street, Red Wing (the financed and refinanced facilities are herein collectively, the "Project").

The owner of the Project will be the Applicant, except for (i) Range Regional Health Services, a subsidiary of the Applicant, which owns and operates University Medical Center-Mesabi and the Fairview Mesaba Clinic, (ii) Fairview Red Wing Health Services, a subsidiary of the Applicant, which owns and operates the acute care hospital facility in Red Wing, Minnesota financed and refinanced by the 1993 A Bonds and 1993B Bonds, and own and operates the to be constructed Fairview Red Wing Health Services Hospital and Clinic and (iii) Fairview Seminary Plaza, a subsidiary of Fairview Red Wing Health Services, which owns and operates the elderly housing facility refinanced by the 1993C Bonds. The Project is expected to be operated and managed by the Applicant or an affiliated entity. It is contemplated that the facilities financed or refinanced by the Bonds will be used primarily for hospital, medical clinic or related facilities. The estimated amount of the Board's proposed bond issue is an amount not to exceed \$200,000,000. The Bonds shall be limited obligations of the Board, the Bonds and the interest thereon shall be payable solely from the revenue pledged to the payment thereof, and a mortgage or security interest or other security arrangements to be established by or on behalf of the Applicant. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no holders of any such Bonds shall ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing powers of the State of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof to pay the Bonds or the interest thereon nor to enforce payment against any property of said State or said political subdivision.

This Notice of Public Hearing is being given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Act.

A copy of the Application to the Board for approval of the Project, together with all attachments and exhibits thereto and a copy of the Board's resolution accepting the Application and accepting the Project is available for public inspection at the offices of the Board at 500 Metro Square, 121 7th Place East, Saint Paul, Minnesota from the date of this notice to the date of the public hearing herein above identified, during normal business hours.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may file written comments with the Executive Director prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Agricultural and Economic Development Board or its designated representative will also conduct a public hearing to develop criteria as required by *Minnesota Statutes* 116J.993, Subd. 2. This hearing will provide interested people and organizations with an opportunity to comment on the business subsidy agreement with Fairview Health Services.

Dated: 10 February 2000

BY ORDER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
MINNESOTA AGRICULTURAL AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Paul Moe
Executive Director
Minnesota Agricultural and Economic
Development Board

Minnesota Rural Finance Authority

Notice of Public Hearing on the Issuance of an Agricultural Development Revenue Bond Under *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41C on Behalf of Richard and Katie Junge for 64.4 Acres of Bare Farmland in Preston Township, Fillmore County

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Friday 10 March 2000 at 9 a.m. in Room 145 Department of Agriculture Building, 90 West Plato Boulevard, Saint Paul Minnesota, on a proposal that the Minnesota Rural Finance Authority (the Authority) issue its revenue bond under *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 41C, in order to finance the purchase of approximately 64.4 acres of bare farmland located in Section 19, Preston Township, Fillmore, County, Minnesota on behalf of Richard and Katie Junge, a married couple (the Borrower/s). The maximum aggregate face amount of the proposed bond issue is \$70,000.00. The revenue bond will be a limited obligation of the Authority, payable solely from the revenue pledged to the payment thereof. No holder of such revenue bond will ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the State of Minnesota to pay the bond or the interest thereon, nor to enforce payment against any property of the Authority or the State of Minnesota, except the revenues specifically pledged to the payment thereof. Before issuing the revenue bond, the Authority will enter into an agreement with the Borrower whereby the Borrower will be obligated to make payments at least sufficient at all times to pay the principal of and interest on such revenue bond when due. All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may file written comments with the Executive Director of the Authority prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

Dated: 2 February 2000

Jim Boerboom
RFA Director

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meeting of the Actuarial Committee

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA), **Actuarial Committee** will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2000. The meeting will take place at Blue Cross Blue Shield of MN, River Park Building, Conference room "B", 3400 Yankee Drive, Eagan, MN.

For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at (612) 593-9609.

Official Notices

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meeting of the Executive Committee

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) **Executive Committee** will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2000, at the MCHA Executive Office, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, at 3:00 p.m. The Committee will conduct regular business (open to the public) and consider legal advice with its counsel (closed to the public).

For additional information, please call MCHA's Executive Secretary at (612) 593-9609.

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Notice of Meeting of Prescription Drug Task Force

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) **Prescription Drug Task Force** will be held on Friday, February 25, 2000, at MCHA's executive office, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, MN, at 9:00 a.m.

For additional information, please call Lynn Gruber at (612) 693-5609.

Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board

Notice of Completed Application In the Matter of the License Application of the Tracy Ambulance Service, Tracy, Minnesota

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (hereinafter "EMSRB") has received a completed application from the **Tracy Ambulance Service, Tracy, Minnesota**, for a new license, advanced ambulance - specialized.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Sec. 144E.11, subd. 3 each municipality, county, community health board, governing body of a regional emergency medical services system, ambulance service and other person wishing to make recommendations or comments concerning the disposition of the application shall make written recommendations or comments opposing the application to the EMSRB within 30 days or by March 23, 2000, 4:30 p.m. Written recommendations or comments opposing the application should be sent to: Mary Hedges, Executive Director, EMSRB, 2829 University Ave. S.E., Suite 310, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414-3222.

If fewer than six comments opposing the application are received during the comment period and the EMSRB has determined, after considering the factors in 144E.11, subd. 6, that the proposed service is needed, the applicant will be exempt from a contested case hearing, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Sec.144E.11, subd. 4. If six or more comments in opposition to the application are received during the comment period or the EMSRB denies the application, the applicant shall be given the option of immediately proceeding to a contested case hearing, or trying to resolve the objections within 30 days, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Sec.144E.11, subd. 5(a)(b). If the applicant is unable to resolve the objections within 30 days, or if the applicant initially requests a hearing, a contested case hearing will be scheduled and notice of the hearing given pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Sec. 144E.11, subd. 5(c)(e).

Dated: 11 February 2000

Mary F. Hedges, Executive Director

Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board

Notice of Completed Application In the Matter of the License Application of the Worthington Regional Hospital Ambulance, Worthington, Minnesota

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (hereinafter "EMSRB") has received a completed application from the **Worthington Regional Hospital Ambulance, Worthington, Minnesota**, for a new license, advanced ambulance - specialized.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Sec. 144E.11, subd. 3 each municipality, county, community health board, governing body of a regional emergency medical services system, ambulance service and other person wishing to make recommendations or comments concerning the disposition of the application shall make written recommendations or comments opposing the application to the EMSRB within 30 days or by March 23, 2000, 4:30 p.m. Written recommendations or comments opposing the application should be sent to: Mary Hedges, Executive Director, EMSRB, 2829 University Ave. S.E., Suite 310, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414-3222.

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Dated: 11 February 2000

Mary F. Hedges, Executive Director

Department of Health

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Planned Amendment to Rules Relating to Financial, Utilization, and Services Data from Hospitals and Surgical Centers, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 4650

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Health requests comments on its planned amendment to *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 4650, relating to financial, utilization, and services data from hospitals and surgical centers. The Department is considering rule amendments that include the definitions of hospital revenue, charity care, bad debt and other areas as suggested to clarify reporting requirements and reduce the burden of compliance.

Persons Affected. The proposed amendments will likely directly affect all Minnesota hospitals and freestanding outpatient surgical centers, the Department of Human Services, and several parts of the Minnesota Department of Health, including the Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, the Division of Facility and Provider Compliance, and the Health Economics Program. The proposed amendments will likely indirectly affect researchers, consultants, associations, and other federal and state agencies that use this data in research and reporting.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.703, subdivision 1, is the statutory authority for amending rules relating to the Health Care Cost Information System (HCCIS) under sections 144.695 to 144.703. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 62J.321, subdivision 6, is the statutory authority for amending rules to implement sections 62J.301 to 62J.452. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 144.56, subdivision 1, is the statutory authority for amending rules to implement sections 144.50 to 144.56.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these planned rules in writing until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the Department intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules. The Department plans to have an advisory committee and hold meetings to receive comments on the planned rule amendments.

Rules Drafts. The Department has not yet prepared a draft of the planned rule amendments.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these planned rules should be directed to: Amy Camp at the Minnesota Department of Health, 121 East 7th Place, St. Paul, MN 55101 Phone: 651-282-3818, FAX: 651-282-5628, and email: amy.camp@health.state.mn.us. TTY users may call the Department at 651-215-8980.

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Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed.

Dated: 11 February 2000

Jan K. Malcolm, Commissioner
Department of Health

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS (Revised) on Planned Amendment to Rules Governing the Definition of Persons and Families of Low and Moderate Income; *Minnesota Rules*, Part 4900.0010, Subpart 23, Paragraph C

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (the "Agency") requests comments on its planned amendment to rules governing the definition of Persons and Families of Low and Moderate Income. The Agency is considering a rule amendment that redefines income eligibility for residents of multifamily developments financed by the Agency. Federal income and rent limits for affordable rental housing have undergone several changes in the past twenty years, while the Agency's income and rent limits have remained the same and are based upon Section 8 New Construction and Substantial Completion Fair Market Rents, which are no longer being published by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Agency is proposing this change in order to reconcile its multifamily income and rent limits with current federal housing programs.

Persons Affected. The amendment to the rules would likely affect renter households who will reside in multifamily developments financed by the Agency and the owners and developers of and investors in those multifamily developments.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes* section 462A.03, subdivision 10 requires the Agency to adopt rules to establish income limits for the purpose of defining low and moderate income persons.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these planned rules in writing until 4:30 p.m. on April 28, 2000. The Agency does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the planned rules.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The Agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed.

Rules Drafts. The Agency has prepared a draft of the planned rule amendment.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules, and requests for more information on these planned rules should be addressed to: Robert Odman, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, 400 Sibley Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota, (651) 296-9821. TTY users may call the Agency at (651) 297-2361.

Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the Agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Dated: 28 February 2000

Katherine G. Hadley, Commissioner
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Department of Human Services

Notice of Availability of the Minnesota Health Care Programs Provider Participation List [Also Known as DHS Rule 101 Provider Compliance List]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Health Care Programs provider participation list for January 1, 2000 is now available. The provider participation list is a compilation of fee-for-service health care providers who are in compliance with DHS Rule 101. The list of providers is separated by provider type, each section is in alphabetical order by provider name, and there is no additional information on the list other than the provider's name. This list is distributed on a quarterly basis to the Department of Employee Relations, the Department of Labor and Industry, and the Department of Commerce. To obtain the list, contact Kelly Fleischhacker, Rule 101 specialist, at 651-296-0766 or toll-free at 800-657-3991. You may fax your request to 651-296-5690 or mail to the Customer Services Division, Department of Human Services, 444 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-3856.

Michael O'Keefe, Commissioner
Department of Human Services

Metropolitan Airports Commission

Notice of Public Hearing on a Commercial Vehicle Ordinance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 8th day of March, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. in the Lindbergh Terminal Building at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Room 3040, the Metropolitan Airports Commission will hold a public hearing to receive testimony relative to the adoption of:

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ORDINANCE:

An Ordinance to promote and conserve public safety, health, peace, convenience and welfare; to manage the operation of various forms of ground transportation at the Airport in recognition of limited roadway capacity; to regulate the operation of all Commercial Vehicles at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Wold-Chamberlain Field, a public airport under the operation, direction and control of the Metropolitan Airports Commission; to conform to changes in the motor carrier laws made by recent legislation; and to amend Ordinance 85 governing ground transportation.

Copies of the draft Ordinance may be obtained by contacting:

Rebecca Zwart
Metropolitan Airports Commission
6040 – 28th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450
Phone: (612) 726-8197
Fax: (612) 726-5306

Dated this 21st day of February 2000.

Mr. Jeffrey W. Hamiel
Executive Director
Metropolitan Airports Commission
6040 – 28th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Pollution Control Agency

Policy and Planning Division

Notice of Proposed Reallocation of Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 604b Funds Provided to Minnesota for Water Quality Management Planning through Section 205j(1) of CWA: Solicitation of Comments in Consultation with Regional Public Comprehensive Planning Organizations

Background

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) annually receives Section 604b funds provided to Minnesota through Section 205j(1) of the CWA. Since 1987, under Section 205j3, the CWA has required that at least 40 percent of 604b funds be allocated ("passed through") to regional public comprehensive planning organizations to undertake comprehensive water quality management planning. For Federal Fiscal Year 1998, the MPCA has received a pass-through allocation of \$100,108. For Federal Fiscal Year 1999, the MPCA will receive a pass-through allocation of \$99,999.

Due in part to the absence of a comprehensive statewide water quality management planning initiative into which local efforts could be integrated, the pass-through projects funded through Section 205j3 have not proven to be a significant vehicle for accomplishing statewide comprehensive water quality management planning. Instead they have tended to address specific, limited or local issues or provided educational as opposed to planning initiatives. While these projects have been useful, they have generally been only tangentially related to the overall CWA goal of comprehensive statewide water quality management planning.

The MPCA now proposes to allocate: Federal Fiscal Year 1998, Federal Fiscal Year 1999, and all subsequent Section 205j3 funds received by the MPCA to accelerate its statewide basin planning process. This is allowed under the CWA with the approval of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Administrator, and after the Governor has consulted with regional public comprehensive planning organizations. The Governor must determine that the allocation of these funds to such organizations will not result in significant participation by such organizations in water quality management planning and not significantly assist in the development and implementation of the comprehensive water quality management planning goals of the CWA.

The MPCA's basin planning initiative is a cogent and comprehensive approach to water quality management. It focuses on the state's major hydrologic units and addresses regional water quality planning by providing a much needed comprehensive framework for the integration of local water quality planning initiatives into a basin-wide and statewide plan. The basin planning initiative addresses both point and nonpoint sources of pollution and their interrelationships.

Solicitation of Comments

The MPCA now requests comments, input, and consolidation with all interested regional public comprehensive planning organizations regarding water quality management under the Clean Water Act.

Information may be submitted in writing or verbally. Written statements should be addressed to:

Ms. Christy Ceesay
Policy and Planning Division
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
520 Lafayette Road North
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194

Oral statements will be received during regular business hours over the telephone at (651) 296-9285 or toll-free at 1-800-657-3864, and in person at the above address.

Such information shall be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on March 23, 2000.

Department of Transportation

Petition of the City of Brooklyn Park for a Variance from State Aid Requirements for DESIGN SPEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Brooklyn Park City Council has made written request to the Commissioner of Transportation pursuant to *Minnesota Rules* 8820.3300, for a variance from rules as they apply to a proposed resurfacing project on Xerxes Avenue (Municipal State Aid Street No. 106) and on 74th Avenue (Municipal State Aid Street No. 114) in the City of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota.

The request is for a variance from *Minnesota Rules* for State Aid Operations 8820.9946, adopted pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* Chapters 161 and 162 as they apply to a proposed resurfacing project on Xerxes Avenue and 74th Avenue, so as to allow an existing horizontal curve at the connection of Xerxes and 74th Avenues with a design speed of 28 mph, in lieu of the minimum 50 km/h design speed.

Any person may file a written objection to the variance request with the Commissioner of Transportation, Transportation Building, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155.

If a written objection is received within 20 days from the date of this notice in the *State Register*, the variance can be granted only after a contested case hearing has been held on the request.

Dated this 12th day of February, 2000.

Julie A. Skallman
State Aid Engineer
State Aid for Local
Transportation

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

Department of Corrections Grants and Subsidy Unit

Notice of Availability of Funds for Remote Electronic Monitoring of Driving While Intoxicated Offenders

The Minnesota Department of Corrections, Grants and Subsidy Unit, announces the availability of funds for judicial districts, counties and community corrections act agencies to operate remote electronic alcohol monitoring programs for driving while intoxicated offenders. The grant program will provide funding of approximately \$765,000 for the 12 month grant period from July 2000 to June 2001. The amount of any grant may vary depending on the number of clients and services provided. It is anticipated that grants will be awarded state wide.

While there is not assurance of continued funding for following fiscal year, successful applicants may be eligible to apply for continued funding after the initial grant period.

The deadline for proposal submission is April 17, 2000, 4:00 p.m. To receive a copy of the request for proposal which describes in detail how to apply for funding contact:

Lynda Davis
Minnesota Department of Corrections
Grants and Subsidy Unit
1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 200
St. Paul, Minnesota 55108-5219
Telephone (651) 642-0235 – TTY (651) 643-3589
E-mail: davis@co.doc.state.mn.us

Professional, Technical & Consulting Contracts

Department of Administration procedures require that notice of any consultant services contract or professional and technical services contract which has an estimated cost of over \$10,000 to be printed in the *State Register*. These procedures also require that the following information be included in the notice: name of contact person, agency name and address, description of project and tasks, cost estimate, and final submission date of completed contract proposal. Certain quasi-state agencies are exempted from some of the provisions of this statute. In accordance with *Minnesota Rules* Part 1230.1910, certified Targeted Group Businesses and individuals submitting proposals are prime contractors shall receive the equivalent of a 6% preference in the evaluation of their proposal. For information regarding certification, call the Materials Management Helpline (651) 296-2600 or [TTY (651) 297-5353 and ask for 296-2600].

Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)

St. Cloud Technical College

Request for Proposal (RFP) for EZ Trac Bridgeport CNC Milling Machine

Introduction:

St. Cloud Technical College is soliciting bids for EZ Trac Bridgeport CNC Milling Machine Purchase Beginning February 14, 2000.

Request for Proposals are available from:

St. Cloud Technical College
Melinda Begin
1540 Northway Drive
St. Cloud, MN 56303
320-202-6471

Proposal Due Date:

Vendor proposals are do no later than 2:00 p.m., March 6, 2000.

Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)

St. Cloud Technical College

Request for Proposal (RFP) for Lease Purchase of Notebook Computers RFP #LTP2000

Introduction:

St. Cloud Technical College is soliciting bids for Lease Purchase of Notebook Computers Beginning February 21, 2000.

Request for Proposals are available from:

St. Cloud Technical College
Melinda Begin
1540 Northway Drive
St. Cloud, MN 56303
320-202-6471

Proposals Due Date:

Vendor proposals are do no later than 2:00 p.m., March 22, 2000.

Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)

Winona State University

Request for Proposals for Contracted Services to Write, Photograph and Design Specific Publications

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Winona State University will receive sealed RFP's for contracted services to write, photograph and design specific publications.

Professional, Technical & Consulting Contracts

Bid specifications will be available February 14, 2000, from Sandra Schmitt, Purchasing Director, P.O. Box 5838, 205 Somsen Hall, Winona State University, Winona, MN 55987 or by calling 507-457-5067.

Sealed proposals must be received by Sandra Schmitt, P.O. Box 5838 or Somsen 205G, Business Office, Winona State University, Winona, MN 55987 by 3:00 p.m. March 7, 2000.

Winona State University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or portions thereof, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in proposals received.

Minnesota Historical Society

Notice of Request for Bids for Compact Movable Shelving

The Minnesota Historical Society is seeking bids for compact movable shelving. It is the intention of the Minnesota Historical Society to purchase compact movable shelving to house a film and video collection. The shelving will occupy approximately 2006 square feet of space. All pricing is to include removal of existing specified shelving and complete installation of the new system.

The Request for Bids is available by calling or writing Chris M. Bonnell, Contracting Officer, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, St. Paul, MN 55102. Telephone: 651-297-5863 or e-mail: chris.bonnell@mnhs.org. Complete specifications, bid format and details concerning submissions requirements are included.

A recommended pre-bid meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 29, 2000. The meeting will take place in the Irvine Room located on the first floor of the Minnesota History Center.

Sealed bids must be received no later than 2 p.m. Local Time, Monday, March 13, 2000. No late bids will be accepted.

Dated: 22 February 2000

Minnesota Historical Society

Notice of Request for Proposals for Film Preservation

The Minnesota Historical Society is seeking proposals to provide film preservation services for three million feet of 16mm film. Preservation includes cleaning and splicing of aging acetate film stock. The work must be done in the vendors lab and meet specified production standards and deadlines such that the project is completed in five years.

The Request for Proposals is available by calling or writing Chris M. Bonnell, Contracting Officer, Minnesota Historical Society, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, Saint Paul, MN 55102. Telephone: 651-297-5863 or e-mail: chris.bonnell@mnhs.org. Complete specifications, bid format and details concerning submissions requirements are included.

A recommended pre-proposal meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 29, 2000. The meeting will take place in the Irvine Room located on the first floor of the Minnesota History Center.

Sealed proposals must be received no later than 2 p.m. Local Time, Monday, March 13, 2000. No late proposals will be accepted.

Dated: 22 February 2000

Minnesota State Lottery

Request for Proposals for Security Services

The Minnesota State Lottery is requesting proposals for providing 24-hour security officer services at the headquarters of the Minnesota State Lottery located in Roseville, Minnesota. This Proposal does not obligate the state to complete this project, and the state reserves the right to cancel the solicitations if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Vendors interested in receiving a copy of the Request for Proposal should contact:

Professional, Technical & Consulting Contracts

Tom Barrett
Administrative Services Manager
Minnesota State Lottery
2645 Long Lake Road
Roseville, MN 55113-2533
Phone: (651) 635-8108
Fax: (651) 635-8188

Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m. on March 15, 2000

Department of Natural Resources

Request of Proposals for Consulting Engineering Services for the Paul Bunyan State Trail Bridges over Trunk Hwy 2 and State Hwy 197, Req No. TO-99-09

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Engineering and Trails and Waterways Unit in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Transportation request proposals from interested consulting engineering firms for professional services in relation to the preparation of construction plans and specifications and providing construction inspection and contract administration for bridges over Trunk Highway 2 and State Highway 197 in Beltrami County near Bemidji. The sources of construction funds are TEA 21, DNR Trail Bonding and DOT State Trunk Highway Funds.

The goal of this project is to provide safe trail crossings over two major highways for continuation of the Paul Bunyan State Trail, a multi-use recreational trail. It is the objective of this project is to construct a double span bridge over Hwy 2 and a single span bridge over Hwy 197. The bridges are to be constructed during construction season 2000.

All proposals must be received no later than 11:00 a.m., March 17, 2000 as indicated by a time stamp made by the Regional Business Office at the address stated below. Late proposals will not be considered.

Final Plans shall be submitted to the DNR by July 1, 2000. Plans shall have been reviewed by the State Aid Bridge Office prior to being submitted to the DNR as final plans.

Request for Proposal may be obtained from:

John Filardo, P.E.
Regional Engineer
Mn DNR
2115 Birchmont Beach RD NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
218-755-3641

Date: 22 February 2000

Department of Natural Resources

Minnesota Forest Resources Council

Compliance Monitoring Services

Notice of Request for Proposals for Monitoring Implementation of Timber Harvesting and Forest Management Guidelines on Public and Private Forest Lands in Minnesota

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources in consultation with the Minnesota Forest Resources Council (MFRC) is requesting proposals to perform specified steps necessary to undertake and complete implementation monitoring of timber harvesting and forest management guidelines on public and private forest lands in Minnesota.

Implementation monitoring will be related to guidelines for riparian zone management, wildlife habitat, forest soil productivity, cultural/historic resources, water quality and wetland best management practices, and visual quality best management practices. The guidelines to be evaluated have been formatted onto computerized worksheets. The successful bidder will be required to participate in a three day training workshop organized by the DNR so that the bidder understand the nature of the guidelines, what is to be measured, how to collect the data, how the data is to be processed, and how to operate the field computer program.

Professional, Technical & Consulting Contracts

The contract period will extend from the date of pending award and execution of the contract agreement to a date to be determined through the bidding process. All proposals received by the deadline will be evaluated by DNR and MFRC staff. Factors upon which the proposals will be judged include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Project work plan
2. Project budget detail.
3. Qualifications and background of responder and/or firm and project personnel.

To obtain a complete Request for Proposal, contact:

Mike Phillips
MFRC Guideline Development/Monitoring Coordinator
DNR/Division of Forestry
500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155-4044
Telephone: (651) 297-4924
FAX: (651) 296-5954
E-mail: mike.phillips@dnr.state.mn.us

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Invitation for Bid on Computer Workstations

Sealed bids for computer workstations will be received at the offices of the Metropolitan Council, Mears Park Centre, 230 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, on March 13, 2000, at 2:00 p.m., at which time and place they will be publicly read.

Copies of specifications and bid instructions may be obtained from the offices of the Metropolitan Council or by calling 651-602-1499 or via Fax request at 651-602-1083. All bids must be submitted on Metropolitan Council approved forms.

The Metropolitan Council shall consider all bids received and intends to award a contract(s) to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest total cost to the Council, by the due date and time. The Metropolitan Council reserves the right to reject all bids, to investigate the qualifications and experience of any bidder, to reject any provisions in any bid, to obtain new bids, or to proceed to do the work otherwise.

Metropolitan Council

Invitation for Bid for Maintenance Service for IBM Computer Systems

Sealed bids for annual maintenance service for IBM computer systems will be received at the offices of the Metropolitan Council, Mears Park Center, 230 East 5th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55101, on Wednesday, March 15, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. at which time and place they will be publicly read.

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University of Minnesota

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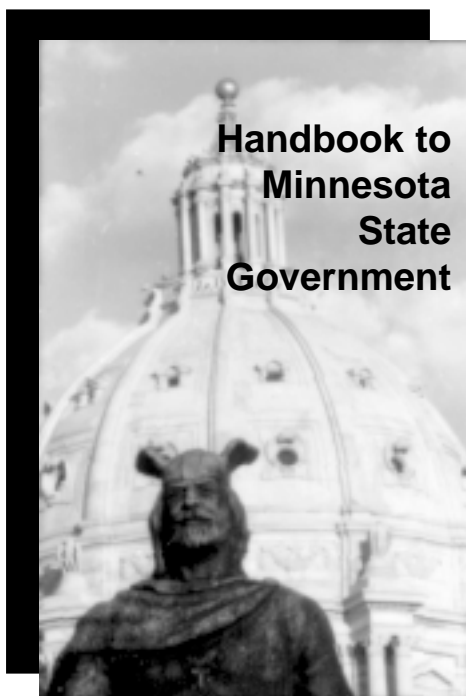
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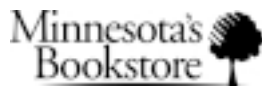
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