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Subd. 5. Obtaining recommendation. No control of state-owned lands shall be transferred between state departments without first consulting the legislative building commission, or other appropriate legislative committee or committees and obtaining a recommendation thereon. The recommendation shall be advisory only. Failure to obtain a prompt recommendation shall be deemed a negative recommendation.

[1973 c 720 s 52]

15.161 Acceptance of federal lands or buildings; consultation with legislative committees

The head of a state department or agency shall consult with the chairman of the house appropriations committee and the chairman of the senate finance committee before accepting any federal land or buildings thereon or any interest therein which is declared surplus by federal authorities and obtaining a recommendation thereon which shall be advisory only. Failure to obtain a recommendation thereon promptly shall be deemed a negative recommendation.

[1973 c 720 s 60]

15.17 Official records

[For text of subds. 1 to 3, see M.S.1971]

Subd. 4. Accessible to public. Every custodian of public records shall keep them in such arrangement and condition as to make them easily accessible for convenient use. Photographic, photostatic, microphotographic, or microfilmed records shall be considered as accessible for convenient use regardless of the size of such records. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, he shall permit all public records in his custody to be inspected, examined, abstracted, or copied at reasonable times and under his supervision and regulation by any person; and he shall, upon the demand of any person, furnish certified copies thereof on payment in advance of fees not to exceed the fees prescribed by law. Full convenience and comprehensive accessibility shall be allowed to researchers including historians, genealogists and other scholars to carry out extensive research and complete copying of all public records except as otherwise expressly provided by law.

[1973 c 422 s 1]

15.43 Acceptance of advantage by state employee because of state business

Subdivision I. Financial Interest of agents. No employee of the state or of the University of Minnesota in direct contact with suppliers or potential suppliers to the state or the university, or who may directly or indirectly influence a purchasing decision or contract by establishing specification, testing purchased products, evaluating contracted services, or otherwise has official involvement in the purchasing or contracting process may:

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- (1) Have any financial interest or have any personal beneficial interest directly or indirectly in contracts or purchase orders for goods or services used by, or purchased for resale or furnished to a department or agency of the state or the university; or
- (2) Accept directly or indirectly from a person, firm, or corporation to which a contract or purchase order has been or may be, awarded, a rebate, gift, money, or anything of value other than advertising novelties having wide distribution and are of nominal value. No such employee may further accept any promise, obligation or contract for future reward.
- Subd. 2. Textbooks exempted. Textbooks authored by an employee of the state's education systems or of the University of Minnesota may be used as required course material upon receipt of written approval from the head of the department. Instructors in state institutions and at the university may accept free samples of textbooks and related teaching materials.
- **Subd. 3. Other exemptions.** The commissioners of public welfare and corrections, and the chancellors of the state college and state junior college systems may by rule prescribe procedure for the acceptance of gifts from any person or organization, provided that such gifts are accepted by the commissioner or chancellor, or his designated representative, and that such gifts are used solely for the direct benefit of patients, inmates or students under the jurisdiction of the accepting state officer.
 - Subd. 4. Penalties. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor. [1973 c 400 8 1]

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[For text of subd. 1, see M.S.1971]

- Subd. 2. (a) The commission shall prepare, prescribe, and from time to time amend a comprehensive use plan for the capitol area, herein called the area which shall initially consist of that portion of the city of Saint Paul comprehended within the following boundaries: Beginning at the point of intersection of the centerline of the Arch-Pennsylvania freeway and the centerline of Marion Street, thence southerly along the centerline of Marion Street to the north line of the right-of-way of Interstate Highway 94, thence easterly along the said north line to the centerline of Cedar Avenue, thence southcasterly along the centerline of Cedar Avenue to the centerline of Tenth Street, thence northeasterly along the centerline of Tenth Street to the centerline of Minnesota Street, thence northwesterly along the centerline of Minnesota Street to the centerline of Eleventh Street, thence northeasterly along the centerline of Eleventh Street to the centerline of Jackson Street, thence northwesterly along the centerline of Jackson Street to the centerline of the Arch-Pennsylvania freeway extended, thence westerly along the centerline of the Arch-Pennsylvania freeway extended and Marion Street to the point of origin. Pursuant to the comprehensive plan, or any portion thereof, the commission may regulate, by means of zoning regulations adopted pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, the kind, character, height, and location, of buildings and other structures constructed or used, the size of yards and open spaces, the percentage of lots that may be occupied, and the uses of land, buildings and other structures, within the area. The violation of such zoning regulations shall be a misdemeanor. The commission may, at its option, proceed to abate any such violation by injunction. The commission and the city of St. Paul shall cooperate in assuring that the area adjacent to the capitol area is developed in a manner that is in keeping with the purpose of the commission and the provisions of the comprehensive plan.
- (b) The commissioner of administration shall act as a consultant to the commission with regard to the physical structural needs of the state. He

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shall make studies and report the results to the commission when they request him to do so for their planning purpose.

- (c) No public building, street, parking lot, or monument, or other construction shall be built or altered on any public lands within the area unless the plans for the same conforms to the comprehensive use plan as specified in clause (d) and to the requirement for competitive plans as specified in clause (e). No alteration substantially changing the external appearance of any existing public building approved in the comprehensive plan or of any new public building the plans for which were secured by competition under clause (e), may be made without the prior consent of the commission. The commissioner of administration shall consult with the commission regarding internal changes having the effect of substantially altering the architecture of the interior of any proposed building.
- (d) The comprehensive plan shall show the existing land uses and recommend future uses including: areas for public taking and use; zoning for private land and criteria for development of public land, including building areas and open spaces; vehicular and pedestrian circulation; utilities systems; vehicular storage; elements of landscape architecture. No substantial alteration or improvement shall be made to public lands or buildings in the area save with the written approval of the commission.
- (e) The commission shall secure by competitions, plans for any new public building. Plans for any comprehensive plan, landscaping scheme, street plan, or property acquisition, which may be proposed, or for any proposed alteration of any existing public building, landscaping scheme or street plan may be secured by a similar competition. Such competition shall be conducted under rules prescribed by the commission and may be of any type which meets the competition standards of the American Institute of Architects. Designs selected shall become the property of the state of Minnesota and the commission may award one or more premiums in each such competition and may pay such costs and fees as may be required for the conduct thereof. At the option of the commission, plans for projects estimated to cost less than \$500,000 may be approved without competition provided such plans have been considered by the architectural committee described in clause (f). Plans for projects estimated to cost less than \$200,000 and for construction of streets need not be considered by the architectural committee if in conformity with the comprehensive plan.
- (f) The commission shall not adopt any plan under clause (e) hereof unless it shall first receive the comments and criticism of a committee of three architects who have been selected and appointed as follows: one by the state arts council, one by the commission, and one by the Minnesota Society of the American Institute of Architects. Members of such committee shall not be contestants under clause (e) hereof. Such comments and criticism shall be a matter of public information. Such committee shall advise the commission on all architectural and planning matters. For that purpose:
- (1) Such committee shall be kept currently informed concerning, and have access to, all data, including all plans, studies, reports and proposals, relating to the area as the same are developed or in the process of preparation whether by the commissioner of administration, the state planning director, the metropolitan council, the city of Saint Paul, or by any architect, planner, agency or organization, public or private, retained by the commission or not retained and engaged in any work or planning relating to the area. A copy of any such data prepared by any public employee or agency shall be filed with the commission promptly upon completion;
- (2) The commission may employ such stenographic or technical help as may be reasonable to assist such committee perform its duties;
- (3) When so directed by the commission; such committee may serve as, and any member or members thereof may serve on, the jury for any architectural competition. The commission shall select the architectural advisor and jurors for any competition with the advice of the committee.

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- (g) The comprehensive plan for the area shall be developed and maintained in close cooperation with the state planning agency and the planning department and the council for the city of Saint Paul and the State Arts Council, and no such plan or amendment thereof shall be effective without 90 days' notice to the planning department of the city of Saint Paul and the State Arts Council.
- (h) The state shall, by the attorney general upon the recommendation of the commission and within appropriations available for that purpose, acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain proceedings any real property situated in the area described in this section and it shall also have the power to acquire an interest less than a fee simple interest in the property, if it finds that it is needed for future expansion or beautification of the area.
- (i) The commission is the successor of the state veterans' service building commission, and as such may adopt regulations and may reenact the regulations adopted by its predecessor under Laws 1945, Chapter 315, and acts amendatory thereof.
- (j) The commission shall meet at the call of the chairman and at such other times as it may prescribe.
- (k) The members of the legislative building commission shall constitute an advisory commission to the capitol area architectural and planning commission. This architectural and planning commission may consult and confer with the advisory commission, but the advisory commission's recommendation shall be advisory only. The members of the advisory commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their expenses when called upon to meet.
- (1) The commissioner of administration is authorized to and shall assign quarters in the state veterans service building to (1) the department of veterans affairs of which such part as the commissioner of administration and commissioner of veterans affairs may mutually determine shall be on the first floor above the ground and (2) the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, United Spanish War Veterans, and Veterans of World War I, and their auxiliaries, incorporated, or when incorporated, under the laws of the state, and (3) as space becomes available to such other state departments and agencies as he may deem desirable.

[1973 c 501 8 1]

[For text of subds. 3 to 8, see M.S.1971]

CHAPTER 15A. STATE AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES

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15A.021 Unclassified salaries set by legislature or personnel commissioner; exceptions

Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, salaries and salary ranges for all positions in the unclassified state service in the executive and judicial branches of government listed in sections 15A.081 and 15A.083, shall be as set forth therein, and salaries and salary ranges for all other positions in the unclassified state service in the executive branch of government.