

atory boring but including obtaining a bulk sample, by such means as excavating, trenching, constructing shafts, ramps, tunnels, pits and producing refuse and other associated activities. "Mineral deposit evaluation" shall not include activities intended, by themselves, for commercial exploitation of the ore body. "Mine development" means those activities undertaken after mineral deposit evaluation for commercial exploitation of the ore body.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 156A.08, is amended to read:

156A.08 **PENALTIES.** Any person who shall willfully violate any lawful regulation, rule or order of the board, or who shall engage in the business of drilling or making water wells without first having obtained a license as in sections 156A.01 to 156A.08 required, or who shall engage in the business of exploratory boring without either being licensed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or being registered as a professional engineer or certified as a professional geologist, or who shall violate any provision of sections 156A.01 to 156A.08, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any violation of sections 156A.01 to 156A.08 shall be prosecuted by the county attorney in the county in which the said violation occurred or is occurring, and the trial thereof shall be held in that county.

Sec. 10. **[156A.075] LOCAL CONTROL.** Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as limiting the lawful authority of local units of government to prohibit mineral exploration within their boundaries, require permits from explorers, or impose reasonable requirements and fees upon explorers, consistent with the provisions of this act, other state laws and rules promulgated thereunder.

Sec. 11. **STUDY.** The Minnesota environmental quality board shall review the adequacy of the state's regulatory framework applicable to uranium exploration and mining. Before March 1, 1981, the board shall forward its findings and recommendations on exploration to the appropriate standing committees in the house and senate. Before June 1, 1981, the board shall forward its findings and recommendations on mining to the appropriate standing committees in the house and senate. No state uranium lease shall be issued on state land for the purpose of uranium exploration or mining until the board has completed its review or until July 1, 1981, which ever is later.

Sec. 12. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Section 8, subdivision 2, and section 9 are effective January 1, 1981. Except for section 8, subdivision 2, and section 9, this act is effective May 1, 1980.

Approved April 11, 1980

CHAPTER 536—H.F.No. 1603

An act relating to welfare; clarifying certain provisions of the general assistance medical care program; establishing an earned income disregard work incentive in the

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general assistance program; making various other changes in the general assistance program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 256D.01; 256D.02, Subdivisions 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, and by adding a subdivision; 256D.03, Subdivisions 1 and 3; 256D.04; 256D.06, Subdivisions 1 and 2; 256D.08, Subdivision 2; 256D.09, Subdivision 1; 256D.10; 256D.11, Subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9; 256D.13, Subdivision 1; 256D.16; and 256D.18, Subdivisions 2 and 4; and Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Sections 256D.03, Subdivision 2; 256D.07; and 256D.08, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.01, is amended to read:

256D.01 DECLARATION OF POLICY; CITATION. Subdivision 1. The objectives of ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24, Sections 4 to 30~~ sections 256D.01 to 256D.21 are to provide a sound administrative structure for public assistance programs; to maximize the use of federal funds for public assistance purposes; ~~to provide property tax relief;~~ and to provide an integrated public assistance program for all persons in the state without adequate income or resources to maintain a subsistence reasonably compatible with decency and health.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state that persons unable to provide for themselves and not otherwise provided for by law, ~~and who meet the eligibility requirements of Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21 and do not refuse suitable employment;~~ shall be entitled to receive such grants of general assistance and such services as may be necessary to maintain a subsistence reasonably compatible with decency and health. The furnishing of such assistance and services is a matter of public concern and a necessity in promoting the public health and welfare.

A principal objective in providing general assistance and services shall be to aid those persons who can be helped to become self-supporting or to attain self-care. To achieve this aim, the commissioner shall establish minimum standards of assistance for general assistance. The minimum standard for cash payments to recipients shall be: as to shelter and utilities, 100 percent of the actual need or state standards therefor, subject to the maximum established for shelter in the aid to the blind, aid to the disabled, and old age assistance programs in December, 1973; and as to other budgetary items, 50 percent, of those established for said items in the aid to the blind, aid to the disabled, and old age assistance programs in December, 1973. The minimum standards of assistance shall authorize the payment of rates negotiated by local agencies for recipients living in a room and board arrangement. In order to maximize the use of federal funds, the commissioner shall promulgate regulations, to the extent permitted by federal law for eligibility for the emergency assistance program, under the terms of ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21~~ for general assistance. The commissioner shall provide by regulation for the eligibility for general assistance of persons with seasonal income, and may attribute seasonal income to other periods not in excess of one year from receipt by an applicant or recipient. The strengthening and preservation of the family unit shall be a principal consideration in the administration of ~~Laws 1973, Chapter~~

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650. ~~Article 24~~ sections 256D.01 to 256D.21 and all general assistance policies shall be formulated and administered so as to further this objective.

Subd. 2. ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24, Sections 4 to 30~~ 256D.01 to 256D.21 may be cited as the general assistance ~~article~~ act.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. "General assistance" means cash payments to persons unable to provide themselves with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health and who are not otherwise provided for under the laws of this state or the United States. It shall include cash payments for goods, shelter, fuel, food, clothing, light, necessary household supplies, and personal need items. General assistance shall not include payments for foster care, child welfare services, ~~medical, dental, hospitalization, nursing care, drugs, or medical supplies.~~ It is the intent of Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 that these items be provided by local agencies in accordance with programs in effect at the time of the passage of Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 or other social services. Vendor payments may be made only as provided for in sections 256D.09 and 256D.11.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4a. "General assistance medical care" means payment of all or part of the cost of medical care and services approved by the commissioner pursuant to section 256D.03, subdivision 3, for individuals whose income and resources are insufficient to meet the cost of care.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, Subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. "Earned income" means remuneration for services performed as an employee, and net earnings from self-employment reduced by the amount attributable to employment expenses.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, Subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. "Unearned income" means all other income including any payments received as an annuity, retirement or disability benefit, including veteran's or workers' compensation; old age, survivors and disability insurance; railroad retirement benefits; unemployment benefits; and benefits under any federally aided categorical assistance program, supplementary security income, or ~~family other~~ assistance program; rents, dividends, interest and royalties; and support and maintenance payments except that such payments may not be considered as available to meet the needs of any person other than the person for whose benefit they are received, unless that person is under a legal duty to support another family member.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, Subdivision 11, is amended to read:

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Subd. 11. "State aid" means state aid to local agencies for general assistance and general assistance medical care expenditures as provided for in Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 section 256D.03, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.02, Subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. "Local agency" means the agency designated by the county board of commissioners, human services boards, county welfare boards in the several counties of the state except that it may also include any or multicounty welfare boards or departments where those have been established in accordance with law.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.03, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256D.03 RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE GENERAL ASSISTANCE.
Subdivision 1. Every local agency shall provide general assistance to persons residing within its jurisdiction who meet the need requirements of Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21. General assistance shall be administered by the local agencies according to law and rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to the provisions of Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 sections 15.041 to 15.052.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Section 256D.03, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. After December 31, 1979, and before January 1, 1981, state aid shall be paid to local agencies for 60 percent and, after December 31, 1980, for 70 percent of all general assistance grants up to the standards of section 256D.01, subdivision 1, and according to procedures established by the commissioner. Any local agency may, from its own resources, make payments of general assistance at a standard higher than that established by the commissioner, without reference to the standards of section 256D.01, subdivision 1.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.03, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. State aid shall be paid to local agencies or counties for 90 percent of the cost of general relief assistance medical care paid by the local agency or county pursuant to section 256D.02, subdivision 4 3 on behalf of persons eligible according to standards established by the commissioner of public welfare in accordance with the rates established by rule of the commissioner. Persons eligible for benefits under sections 256D.01 to 256D.19 256D.21 shall be eligible for general assistance medical care and have free choice in the selection of a vendor of the medical care. Any local agency or county may, from its own resources, make payments for medical care for persons not otherwise eligible for the care pursuant to standards established by the commissioner.

The commissioner of public welfare shall promulgate rules to establish administrative and fiscal procedures for payment of the state share of the medical

costs incurred by the counties under section ~~256D.02, subdivision 4 3~~. The rules may include:

(a) procedures by which state liability for the costs of medical care incurred pursuant to section ~~256D.02, subdivision 4 3~~ may be deducted from county liability to the state under any other public assistance program authorized by law;

(b) procedures for processing claims of counties for reimbursement by the state for expenditures for medical care made by the counties pursuant to section ~~256D.02, subdivision 4 3~~;

(c) procedures by which the local agencies may contract with the commissioner of public welfare for state administration of general ~~relief~~ assistance medical care payments; and

(d) standards of eligibility ~~and~~ utilization of services and payment levels which shall conform to those of medical assistance pursuant to chapter 256B.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.04, is amended to read:

256D.04 DUTIES OF THE COMMISSIONER. In addition to any other duties imposed by law, the commissioner shall:

(1) Supervise the administration of general assistance and general assistance medical care by local agencies as provided in ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 21 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21;~~

(2) Promulgate uniform rules ~~and regulations~~ consistent with law for carrying out and enforcing the provisions of ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 21 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21~~ to the end that general assistance may be administered as uniformly as possible throughout the state; rules ~~and regulations~~ shall be furnished immediately to all local agencies and other interested persons; in promulgating rules ~~and regulations~~, the provisions of ~~chapter 45 sections 15.041 to 15.052,~~ shall apply;

(3) Allocate moneys appropriated for general assistance and general assistance medical care to local agencies as provided in ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 21 section 256D.03, subdivisions 2 and 3;~~

(4) Accept and supervise the disbursement of any funds that may be provided by the federal government or from other sources for use in this state for general assistance and general assistance medical care;

(5) Cooperate with other agencies including any agency of the United States or of another state in all matters concerning the powers and duties of the commissioner under ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 21 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21;~~

(6) Cooperate to the fullest extent with other public agencies empowered by law to provide vocational training, rehabilitation, or similar services;

(7) Gather and study current information and report at least annually to the governor and legislature on the nature and need for general assistance and

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general assistance medical care, the amounts expended under the supervision of each local agency, and the activities of each local agency and publish such reports for the information of the public;

(8) Report at least annually to the governor and legislature the cost of living in the various counties and metropolitan areas as related to the standards of assistance and the amounts expended for assistance, and make this information available to the public; and

(9) Issue emergency rules necessary to implement the work equity program and promulgate all rules pursuant to chapter 15 necessary to carry out the program so that its demonstrational project may be administered uniformly throughout participating counties. Rules shall be furnished immediately to all local agencies and other interested persons.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.06, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256D.06 AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE. Subdivision 1. General assistance shall be granted in such an amount that when added to the nonexempt income actually available to the individual or family, the total amount equals the applicable standard of assistance established by the commissioner for general assistance. In determining eligibility for and the amount of assistance the local agency shall disregard the first \$50 of earned income per month.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.06, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 1, a grant of general assistance may shall be made to an eligible individual or family ~~for one or more items encompassed within the definition of general assistance for an emergency need, as defined in rules promulgated by the commissioner, where the applicant or recipient requests temporary assistance not exceeding 30 days and if an emergency situation appears to exist if and the individual is ineligible for the federally aided program of emergency assistance. If an applicant or recipient relates facts to the local agency which may be sufficient to constitute an emergency situation, the local agency shall advise the applicant or recipient of the procedure for applying for assistance pursuant to this subdivision.~~

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Section 256D.07, is amended to read:

256D.07 TIME OF PAYMENT OF ASSISTANCE. An applicant for general assistance or general assistance medical care authorized by section 256D.03, subdivision 3 shall be deemed presumptively eligible if his application on its face demonstrates that he is within the eligibility criteria established by ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24 sections 256D.01 to 256D.21~~ and any applicable rules and regulations of the commissioner. The application shall be in writing in the manner and upon the form prescribed by the commissioner and verified by the oath of the applicant or in lieu thereof shall contain the following declaration which shall be signed by the applicant: "I declare that this application has been

examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true and correct statement of every material point." General assistance shall be immediately granted to such presumptively eligible applicant without the necessity of first securing action by the board of the local agency.

If upon verification and due investigation it appears that the applicant provided false information and the false information materially affected his eligibility for general assistance or general assistance medical care provided pursuant to section 256D.03, subdivision 3 or the amount of his general assistance grant, the local agency may refer the matter to the county attorney. The county attorney may commence a criminal prosecution or a civil action for the recovery of any general assistance wrongfully received, or both.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Section 256D.08, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256D.08 **EXCLUSION FROM RESOURCES.** Subdivision 1. In determining eligibility of a family or individual there shall be excluded the following resources:

(1) Real or personal property which does not exceed that permitted or liquid assets which do not exceed those permitted under the federally aided assistance program known as aid to families with dependent children; ~~provided, however, that the commissioner may provide by rule and regulation more restrictive eligibility standards and levels of payment for general assistance if it is determined that funds available are not adequate to meet projected need; and~~

(2) Other property, ~~including real or personal property used as a home,~~ which has been determined, in accordance with and subject to limitations contained in rules ~~and regulations~~ promulgated by the commissioner, to be essential to the family or individual as a means of self-support or self-care or which is producing income that is being used for the support of the individual or family. The commissioner shall further provide by rule ~~and regulation~~ the conditions for those situations in which property not excluded under this subdivision may be retained by the family or individual where there is a reasonable probability that in the foreseeable future the property will be used for the self-support of the individual or family; and

(3) Payments, made pursuant to litigation and subsequent appropriation by the United States Congress, of funds to compensate members of Indian tribes for the taking of tribal land by the federal government.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.08, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24~~ sections 256D.01 to 256D.21, the commissioner shall provide by rule ~~and regulation~~ for the exclusion of property from the determination of eligibility for general assistance when it appears likely that the need for general assistance will not exceed 30 days ~~and or~~ an undue hardship would be imposed on an individual or family by the forced disposal of ~~such~~ the property.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.09, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256D.09 FORM OF PAYMENT; VENDOR PAYMENTS. Subdivision 1. All grants of general assistance shall be paid in cash and ~~with such frequency as the commissioner shall determine. The commissioner may provide by rule and regulation for the making of general assistance payments in different time periods for various reasonable classifications of recipients, subsequent to the initial grant,~~ shall be paid once per month on the first day of the month.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.10, is amended to read:

256D.10 HEARINGS PRIOR TO REDUCTION; TERMINATION; SUSPENSION OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS. No grant of general assistance ~~except one made pursuant to sections 256D.06, subdivision 2 or 256D.08, subdivision 2,~~ shall be reduced, terminated or suspended unless the recipient receives notice and is afforded an opportunity to be heard prior to any action by the local agency.

Nothing herein shall deprive a recipient of his right to full administrative and judicial review of an order or determination of a local agency as provided for in section ~~256D.12~~ 256.045 subsequent to any action taken by a local agency after a prior hearing.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. The local agency shall provide a general assistance opportunities ~~for work program,~~ training and vocational counseling services for persons who qualify for assistance but who are unable to gain suitable employment through the state employment service of the commissioner or through their own initiative. Local agencies shall adopt a list of work priorities to be met through the employment of eligible recipients when such recipients are determined, in accordance with rules promulgated by the commissioner, to be unable to gain suitable employment through the state employment service or through their own initiative. Upon a determination that a recipient is unable to gain suitable employment through the state employment service or through his own initiative, the local agency may assign the recipient such work or training program as he is able to perform but which is not that ordinarily performed and which would supplement but not replace projects which are ordinarily performed by regular employees of the county.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. General assistance ~~work program~~ recipients assigned to a local agency work or training program shall be paid at the same wage rates as county employees doing similar work, and the number of hours of work assigned to a recipient shall be determined by the needs of himself and his family including expenses incidental to his employment.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. The commissioner or a local agency may contract with the federal government, or with any department, agency, subdivision or instrumentality of the state, or with any nonprofit organization approved by the commissioner of public welfare for the services of general assistance work program recipients, training and vocational counseling services for participants on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, with or without consideration paid to the local agency. In a county where the work equity program is in operation, the commissioner shall have the sole authority to contract with the federal government and with any other state department, and no consideration shall be paid to the local agency, except for consideration attributable to additional administration expenses. The contract agreed upon by the commissioner shall provide for the necessary methods of funding work equity program jobs, which methods may include a transfer of state and local agency general assistance grant moneys directly to the governor's manpower office. The contract may provide that an intended recipient may receive a pay check equal to or greater than his designated amount of assistance instead of receiving his grant.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. General assistance local agency work and training program recipients participants are employees of the local agencies within the meaning of workers' compensation laws, but not retirement or civil service laws.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. No person shall be required to register with the commissioner of economic security if he is:

- (1) A person with illness, incapacity, or advanced age;
- (2) A child attending a school or college full time;
- (3) A person whose presence in the home on a substantially continuous basis is required because of the illness or incapacity of another member of the household;
- (4) A person who has been referred to or applied for a work training, work experience, vocational rehabilitation or other such similar employment related educational program; provided that the period of time such person is exempted from the registration requirements of subdivision 1, while awaiting acceptance into such program, does not exceed 30 60 days; ~~or~~
- (5) An adult member of a household with children in which another adult is employed full time or has registered with the state employment service or been accepted in a work training program; or

(6) A person exempted by the local agency.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Any person who objects to being required to register with the commissioner of economic security shall be entitled to a prior hearing in accord with the provisions of section 256D.10 on the issue of whether such person comes within the exemptions contained in subdivision 6, ~~clause (1), (2), (3), or (4).~~

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. (1) Any nonexempt person who refuses to accept suitable employment, vocational counseling or training when offered him shall lose his eligibility for general assistance for the period in which his refusal continues and, if a member of a family receiving general assistance, that portion of the grant attributable to said person shall not be paid during that period.

The commissioner may further provide by rule ~~and regulation~~ that vendor payments may be made with respect to any family in which a person who is obligated to accept suitable employment and training has refused to do so.

(2) The provisions of section 256D.10 providing for notice and opportunity to be heard prior to a decision to reduce, suspend or terminate benefits shall be applicable to determinations made under clause (1).

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.11, Subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. The commissioner and the local agencies shall establish procedures to insure that any recipient of general assistance desiring to improve his ability to support himself and his family shall be promptly referred to the department of economic security or any other agency, public or private, operating a work training, work experience, vocational rehabilitation or other similar program. The commissioner of economic security shall assure that at least the same level of services and agency efforts are available to general assistance recipients as are available to unemployment compensation recipients who register for work pursuant to section 268.08, subdivision 1, clause (1).

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.13, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256D.13 **MANDAMUS TO COMPEL PAYMENT OF GENERAL ASSISTANCE.** Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section ~~256D.12~~ 256.045 providing for administrative and judicial review of local agency determinations, a person denied general assistance by the local agency may apply to the district court of the county in which his application was filed and the district court shall order the payment of general assistance if the person establishes:

(1) The substantial likelihood that he is eligible for and entitled to general assistance, and

(2) The person or family will suffer irreparable injury if general assistance is not granted without delay.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.16, is amended to read:

256D.16 GENERAL ASSISTANCE TO BE ALLOWED AS CLAIM IN PROBATE COURT. On the death of any person who received any general assistance under ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24~~ sections 256D.01 to 256D.21, or on the death of the survivor of a married couple, either or both of whom received general assistance, the total amount paid as general assistance to either or both, without interest, shall be allowed as a claim against the estate of such person or persons by the court having jurisdiction to probate the estate.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.18, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. "County of financial responsibility" means (a) the county in which an individual resides; or (b) if an individual is a patient in a hospital or nursing home, as defined in sections 144.50, or 144A.01 or is placed in a county as a result of a correctional program or a treatment plan for health, rehabilitation, foster care, child care or training, at the time of making application, and immediately prior thereto resided in another county, then that other county; ~~or (c) the above provisions notwithstanding, if an individual is a recipient of medical assistance, the county from which he is receiving medical assistance.~~

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 256D.18, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. If upon investigation the local agency decides that the application was not filed in the county of financial responsibility as defined by this section, but that the applicant is otherwise eligible for assistance, it shall, while providing assistance to the applicant, transmit a copy of the application, together with the record of any investigation made by it and a copy of its decision, to the state agency, and to the agency of the county which it has decided is the county of financial responsibility. The state agency shall thereupon promptly decide any question of financial responsibility and make an order referring the application to the local agency of the proper county for further action, including reimbursement by such county of any assistance which another county has provided to the applicant in accordance with this subdivision. The state agency may make such investigation as it deems proper before making its decision. It shall prescribe rules and ~~regulations~~ for carrying into effect this subdivision. The order of the state agency shall be binding upon the local agency involved and the applicant or recipient, shall be complied with by that agency unless reversed on appeal as provided in ~~Laws 1973, Chapter 650, Article 24~~ section 256.045, and shall be so complied with pending any such appeal.

Sec. 31. **APPROPRIATION.** The sum of \$226,450 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of public welfare to pay increased costs authorized by this act, to be available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1981.

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Sec. 32. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Sections 12 and 15 are effective January 1, 1981. The remaining sections 1 to 30 are effective July 1, 1980.

Approved April 11, 1980

CHAPTER 537—H.F.No. 1763

An act relating to education; increasing the bonding authority of the higher education coordinating board; amending Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Section 136A.171.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes, 1979 Supplement, Section 136A.171, is amended to read:

136A.171 **REVENUE BONDS; ISSUANCE; PROCEEDS.** The higher education coordinating board is hereby authorized to may issue revenue bonds for the purpose of obtaining to obtain funds for loans made in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. The aggregate amount of revenue bonds, issued directly by the board, outstanding at any one time, not including refunded bonds or otherwise defeased or discharged bonds, shall not exceed ~~\$200,000,000~~ \$300,000,000. Proceeds from the issuance of bonds may be held and invested by the board pending disbursement in the form of loans. All interest and profits from such investments shall inure to the benefit of the board and shall be available to the board for the same purposes as the proceeds from the sale of revenue bonds including, but not limited to, costs incurred in administering loans under this chapter and loan reserve funds.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved April 11, 1980

CHAPTER 538—H.F.No. 1823

An act relating to transportation; permitting informational notations on recorded maps and plats; simplifying correction of errors on them; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 160.085, Subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 160.085, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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