

obtaining the prior approval thereof in writing of the Minnesota Historical Society and the Conservation Department.

Sec. 11. [138.61] **Cooperation.** The state and its governmental subdivisions shall cooperate with the Minnesota Historical Society in safeguarding "state historic sites" and in the preservation of historic and archeological sites.

Sec. 12. [138.62] **Minnesota historic sites, changes.** Sites designated as "state historic sites" by sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 may be changed from time to time, and the Minnesota Historical Society is respectfully requested to notify the legislature of the needs for such changes, and to make recommendations in regard thereto so that the registries of historic sites may be kept current and complete.

Sec. 13. [138.63] **Title.** This act may be cited as "The Minnesota Historic Sites Act of 1965."

Sec. 14. **Effective date.** This act is in effect on and after July 1, 1965.

Approved May 25, 1965.

CHAPTER 780—H. F. No. 2000

[Coded]

An act relating to officers and employees in the classified service of the state civil service; providing for certain insurance, medical, and related benefits; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1961, Sections 15.35, 15.36, and 471.61, Subdivision 4.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. [43.42] **Civil service employees; life and health benefits; intent.** It is the intent of this act to provide certain state officers and employees with certain life insurance and health benefits coverage to be paid for by the state. This act does not preclude an eligible state officer or employee from enrolling his eligible dependents in a plan otherwise made available by the board.

Sec. 2. [43.43] **Definitions.** As used in this act (a) "state employee" for the purpose of determining eligibility for the benefits plans hereunder means all regular employees in the classified service of the state civil service and paid on the state payroll;

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(b) "Hospital benefits plan" means:

A plan which provides, pays, or reimburses expenses for hospital services.

(c) "Medical benefits plan" means:

A plan which provides, pays, or reimburses expenses for medical services and medical expenses prescribed by a doctor.

(d) "Employee life insurance benefits plan" means:

A plan which provides for life insurance coverage on the lives of eligible employees. Waiver of premium disability benefit and accidental death and dismemberment coverage may be included.

(e) "Carrier" means:

(1) For the hospital benefits plan, an insurance company licensed to do business in the state or a nonprofit hospital service association or a prepaid group practice hospital care plan authorized to do business in the state.

(2) For the medical benefits plan, an insurance company authorized to do business in the state or a nonprofit medical service association or a prepaid group practice medical care plan authorized to do business in the state.

(3) For the employee life insurance benefits plan, an insurance company authorized to do business in the state.

(f) "Board" means the state employees insurance benefit board which is hereby created and which is composed of the governor, the state treasurer, the state auditor, the secretary of state, the attorney general, the insurance commissioner, the director of civil service, the commissioner of administration, and two members elected by the eligible state employees in a manner to be determined by the other members of the board, each for a four year term beginning July 1, 1965.

(g) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of administration.

Sec. 3. [43.44] **Enrollment.** Every eligible employee shall, at such time, in such manner, and under such conditions of eligibility as the board may by regulation prescribe, be enrolled in the employee life insurance benefits plan, the hospital benefits plan and the medical benefits plan. Such regulations shall be within the framework of intent as set forth in section 1 of this act.

Sec. 4. [43.45] **Contracting authority.** Subdivision 1.

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The board is authorized to request bids from carriers or to negotiate with carriers and to enter into contracts with carriers which in the sole judgment of the board are best qualified to underwrite and service the benefit plans. The board shall consider such factors as the cost and conversion options relating to the contracts as well as the service capabilities, character, financial position, and reputation with respect to such carriers and any other factors which the board may deem appropriate. Each such contract shall be for a uniform term of at least one year, but may be made automatically renewable from term to term in the absence of notice of termination by either party.

Subd. 2. Each contract under this act shall contain a detailed statement of benefits offered and shall include such maximums, limitations, exclusions, and other definitions of benefits as the board may deem necessary or desirable.

Subd. 3. The board shall make available as many optional plans as it deems feasible and advantageous to state employees. These plans shall be selected from any and all hospital, life insurance, and medical plans available in Minnesota.

Sec. 5. [43.46] **Contributions.** The total contribution by the state for each state employee under this act shall be otherwise prescribed by law and which contribution shall be applied to provide hospital benefits, medical benefits and life insurance of such amounts as may be determined from time to time by the board.

Sec. 6. [43.47] **Inclusion of other than state employees.** Notwithstanding anything in this act to the contrary, members of the legislature, state elective constitutional officers, judges and commissioners of the supreme court, judges of the district court, and, subject to the approval of the board, such other persons as are not specifically included, may be enrolled in the employee life insurance benefits plan, the hospital benefits plan, and the medical benefits plan without cost to the state, at such time, in such manner, and under such conditions of eligibility as the board may by regulation prescribe. If any such persons are enrolled in such plans the board may also provide by regulation for payroll deductions to be made in the manner provided for by Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 15.37.

Sec. 7. [43.48] **Administration.** After the board shall have entered into contracts with carriers as provided in section 4, it shall be the responsibility of the commissioner to account for and disburse premium payments, maintain records, prepare reports, and to perform such other functions as the board may determine to be necessary to carry out the intent of this act. The board may promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

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Sec. 8. **[43.49] Reports and audits.** Subdivision 1. The board shall transmit to each regular session of the legislature a report concerning the operations of this act.

Subd. 2. The board shall include provisions in contracts with carriers which would require carriers to (1) furnish such reasonable reports as the board determines to be necessary to enable it to carry out its functions under this act, and (2) permit the board to examine records of the carriers as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

Subd. 3. Each state department and agency shall keep such records, make such certifications, and furnish the board or carriers with such information and reports as may be necessary to enable the board or carriers to carry out its functions under this act.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Sections 15.35, 15.36, and 471.61, Subdivision 4, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. **Effective date.** The provisions of this act creating the state employees insurance benefit board are in effect on and after July 1, 1965, and the benefits authorized by this act to eligible state employees are in effect on and after July 1, 1966.

Approved May 25, 1965.

CHAPTER 781—H. F. No. 2053

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the city of Saint Paul; providing for mandatory retirement of certain employees thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. **St. Paul, city of; employees; retirement.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 197.45, 197.46, and 197.47, or any other prior statute of the state of Minnesota or charter provision of the city of Saint Paul to the contrary, all employees of the city of Saint Paul who are not otherwise compelled to retire pursuant to the provisions of state statute compelling retirement by virtue of reaching a prescribed age shall be compelled to retire pursuant to the provisions of this act. Any employee of the city of Saint Paul affected by the provisions of this act who has attained the age of 71 years on or prior to the effective date of this act must retire from his employment by said city not later than 30

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