

CHAPTER 148—H. F. No. 713

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to welfare; authorizing establishment of volunteer service programs by county welfare boards and providing workmen's compensation coverage for volunteer participants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Sections 393.07, by adding a subdivision; and 176.011, Subdivision 9.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 393.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. County welfare board; volunteer service programs. *In accordance with procedures established by the commissioner of public welfare, the county welfare boards may establish volunteer service programs. Persons who participate in these programs may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing assigned duties. For purposes of this section, a volunteer worker shall not receive compensation for services rendered but shall be entitled to workmen's compensation coverage as provided for in section 176.011, subdivision 9.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 176.011, Subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. Employee. "Employee" means any person who performs services for another for hire; and includes the following:

- (1) an alien;
- (2) a minor;
- (3) a sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, marshal, policeman, fireman, a county highway engineer, and a peace officer while engaged in the enforcement of peace or in and about the pursuit or capture of any person charged with or suspected of crime;
- (4) a county assessor and supervisor of assessments;
- (5) an elected or appointed official of the state, except members of the state legislature, or of any county, city, town, village, borough, school district or governmental subdivision therein but an officer of a political subdivision elected or appointed for a regular term of office or to complete the unexpired portion of any such regular term, shall be included only after the governing body of the political subdivision has adopted an ordinance or resolution to that effect;

Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.

(6) an executive officer of a corporation;

(7) a voluntary uncompensated worker, other than an inmate, rendering services in state institutions under the commissioner of public welfare and state institutions under the commissioner of corrections similar to those of officers and employees of such institutions, and whose services have been accepted or contracted for by the commissioner of public welfare or the commissioner of corrections as authorized by law, shall be employees within the meaning of this subdivision. In the event of injury or death of any such voluntary uncompensated worker, the daily wage of the worker, for the purpose of calculating compensation payable under this chapter, shall be the usual going wage paid at the time of such injury or death for similar services in institutions where such services are performed by paid employees;

(8) a voluntary uncompensated worker engaged in peace time in the civil defense program when ordered to training or other duty by the state or any political subdivision thereof, shall be employees. The daily wage of the worker for the purpose of calculating compensation payable under this chapter, shall be the usual going wage paid at the time of such injury or death for similar services where such services are performed by paid employees.

(9) *a voluntary uncompensated worker participating in a program established by a county welfare board shall be an employee within the meaning of this subdivision. In the event of injury or death of any such voluntary uncompensated worker, the wage of the worker, for the purpose of calculating compensation payable under this chapter, shall be the usual going wage paid in the county at the time of such injury or death for similar services where such services are performed by paid employees working a normal day and week.*

In the event it is difficult to determine the daily wage as herein provided, then the commission may determine the age upon which the compensation is payable.

Approved April 18, 1969.

CHAPTER 149—H. F. No. 738

An act relating to wild animals; changing certain wild rice dealers' license fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 98.46, Subdivision 18.

Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.