

nursing homes . Copies of the policy statement shall be furnished the patient ~~and~~ or resident and the patient or resident's guardian or conservator upon admittance to the facility. The notice shall include a brief statement describing how to file a complaint with the nursing home complaint team of the health department or any division or agency of state government which succeeds it concerning a violation of section 144.651 or any other state statute or rule.

Subd. 2. A substantial violation of the rights of any resident as defined in section 144.651, shall be grounds for issuance of a correction order pursuant to section 144.653. The issuance of a correction order shall not preclude private action by or on behalf of a resident to enforce his rights.

Approved April 13, 1976.

CHAPTER 275—H.F.No.2041

[Coded]

An act relating to the elderly and handicapped; requiring the board on aging to develop a proposal for a state policy for citizens dependent on long-term care and services; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 256.975, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 256.975, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. PUBLIC WELFARE; AGING; POLICY. The board shall recommend to the state legislature no later than January 1, 1977, a proposed state policy for citizens dependent on long term care and services. The proposed state policy shall address, but need not be limited to, the following:

(a) Developing alternatives to institutionalization in long term care facilities and other programs which will assist each citizen dependent on long term care and services to maintain the highest level of self-sufficiency and independence which his mental and physical condition allows;

(b) Developing methods for ensuring citizens dependent on long term care and services an effective voice in determining which programs and services are made available to them;

(c) Protecting citizens dependent on long term care and services from unnecessary governmental interference in private and personal affairs; and

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(d) Informing citizens dependent on long term care and services of the programs and services for which they are eligible.

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved April 13, 1976.

CHAPTER 276—H.F.No.2068

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to hospitals; providing for loans to medical students who agree to practice in the hospital district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 447.34, Subdivision 1; and Chapter 447, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Chapter 447, is amended by adding a section to read:

[447.331] HOSPITAL DISTRICTS; LOANS TO MEDICAL STUDENTS AGREEING TO PRACTICE IN DISTRICT. [Subdivision 1.] A hospital district may provide loans to students who meet eligibility criteria established by resolution of the hospital board for the cost of education and living expenses during the time the recipient is enrolled in an accredited medical school, if the recipient agrees in writing to practice medicine in the hospital district which has provided the loans for a specified period of time. No loan may exceed \$28,000 to any one applicant, to be paid in annual installments not to exceed \$7,000 per year. No loan may be made to any student who is receiving a similar loan under any other program authorized by law. Each recipient shall execute a note to the hospital district payable on demand for the principal amount of the loan, and for any interest agreed to by the parties. All other terms for fulfilling the obligation and of breach of the obligation shall be determined by the parties and shall be fully and clearly stated in the loan contract. If the recipient fails to fulfill the obligation to practice, the principal and interest, if any, shall be payable according to the terms of the note executed by the recipient.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 447.34, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

447.34 PAYMENT OF EXPENSES; TAXATION. Subdivision 1. Expenses of acquisition, betterment, administration, operation, and maintenance of all hospital and nursing home facilities operated by any hospital district, expenses incurred pursuant to section 1 of this act, and the expenses of organization and administration of such district and of planning and financing such facilities, shall be paid from the revenues derived from such facilities, and to the extent necessary,

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