

damage impairs the service to the public rendered by them; or

(3) The damage reduces the value of the property by more than ~~\$100~~ \$300 measured by the cost of repair or replacement, whichever is less.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 609.615, is amended to read:

609.615 **DEFEATING SECURITY ON REALTY.** Whoever removes or damages real property which is subject to a mortgage, mechanic's lien, or contract for deed, with intent to impair the value of the security, without the consent of the security holder, may be sentenced as follows:

(1) If the value of the property is impaired by ~~\$100~~ \$300 or less, to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to payment of a fine of not more than \$300, or both; or

(2) If the value of the property is impaired by more than ~~\$100~~ \$300, to imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 609.785, is amended to read:

609.785 **FRAUDULENT LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS.** Whoever obtains long distance telephone service by intentionally requesting of the operator that the cost thereof be charged to a false or non-existent telephone or credit card number or to the telephone or credit card number of another without his authority may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to payment of a fine of not more than \$300, or both, when the value of the telephone service obtained is not more than ~~\$100~~ \$300; and by imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both, if the value of the telephone service obtained in a single transaction, or in separate transactions within any six month period, is more than ~~\$100~~ \$300.

Sec. 14. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act shall be effective August 1, 1977, and shall apply to all crimes committed on or after that date.

Approved June 2, 1977.

CHAPTER 356—H.F.No.83

An act relating to crime victims reparations; raising the amount of reparations paid to claimants suffering economic loss; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 299B.04.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 299B.04, is amended to read:

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299B.04 **CRIME VICTIMS; AMOUNT OF REPARATIONS.** Reparations shall equal economic loss except that:

(1) reparations shall be reduced to the extent that economic loss is recouped from a collateral source or collateral sources;

(2) reparations shall be reduced to the extent, if any, that the board deems reasonable because of the contributory misconduct of the claimant or of a victim through whom he claims and by the first \$100 of economic loss; and

(3) reparations paid to all claimants suffering economic loss as the result of the injury or death of any one victim shall not exceed ~~\$10,000~~ \$25,000.

Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.** The sums set forth in this section are appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of public safety for the payment of increased crime victims' reparations as provided for by this act, to be available for the fiscal year ending June 30 in the years indicated.

1978	1979
<u>\$75,000</u>	<u>\$75,000</u>

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act applies to claims arising as a result of crimes committed or attempted on or after July 1, 1977.

Approved June 2, 1977.

Vacated

No chapter was numbered 357 for the 1977 legislative session.

CHAPTER 358—H.F.No.129

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to education; directing the higher education coordinating board to monitor and study credit transferability, the acceptance of credits at full value, and the placing of certain credits on transcripts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 136A.04; and Chapter 136A, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 136A.04, is amended to read:

136A.04 HIGHER EDUCATION; CREDIT TRANSFER; COORDINATING BOARD; DUTIES. The higher education coordinating board shall:

(a) *Continuously study and analyze all phases and aspects of higher education,*

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