

special town meeting held pursuant to sections 365.52 to 365.53, except when all of the owners of the land which would be benefited by the improvement petition for the improvement, the requirement for approval by the town electors provided in this subdivision shall not apply.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 635-H.F.No.1945

An act relating to veterans; classification of records; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 197.603.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 197.603, is amended to read:

197.603 **DUTIES.** Subdivision 1. It shall be the duty of the veterans service officer to aid all residents of the governmental subdivision by which he is employed in securing benefits provided by law on account of the service of any person in the armed forces of the United States, from which he has a discharge other than dishonorable. The veterans service officer shall aid all veterans who are residents of the governmental subdivision by which he is employed, regardless of the nature of discharge, in securing counseling or treatment concerning alcohol and drug dependency and abuse.

Subd. 2. Pursuant to sections 15.162 to 15.169 the veterans service officer is the responsible authority with respect to all records in his custody. The data on clients' applications for assistance is private data on individuals, as defined in section 15.162, subdivision 5a.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 636-H.F.No.1967

An act relating to motor vehicles; permitting personalized license plates on trucks; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 168.12, Subdivision 2a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 168.12, Subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2a. **PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES.** ~~Any applicant may apply for Personalized license plates- shall be issued to any applicant for registration of a passenger automobile, station wagon, van or pickup truck with a gross weight of 9,000 pounds or less, or self-propelled recreational vehicle, upon compliance with all laws of this state relating to registration of passenger motor vehicles~~ the vehicle, and upon payment of a fee of \$50 ~~which fee is in addition to the registration tax required by law for the passenger vehicle; the registrar shall issue to the applicant personalized license plates.~~ In lieu of the numbers assigned as provided in subdivision 1, such personalized license plates shall have imprinted thereon a series of not to exceed any combination of six numbers and letters. When an applicant has once obtained personalized plates, he shall have a prior claim for similar personalized plates in the next succeeding year that plates are issued if he makes application for them at least 30 days prior to the first date on which his registration can be renewed. The commissioner of public safety shall adopt rules and regulations in the manner provided by chapter 15, regulating the issuance and transfer of such personalized license plates. No words or combination of letters placed on such personalized license plates may be used for commercial advertising or be of an obscene, indecent or immoral nature, or such as would offend public morals or decency.

Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 1, personalized license plates issued pursuant to this subdivision may be transferred to another motor vehicle upon the payment of a fee of \$5, which fee shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund. The registrar may by regulation provide a form for such notification.

The fee prescribed for personalized license plates shall be paid only in those years in which the number plate itself is issued, and shall not be payable in any year in which a year plate, tab or sticker is issued in lieu of a number plate.

All fees from the sale of personalized license plates shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 637-H.F.No.1973

An act relating to juveniles; providing procedures regulating the detention of juveniles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 260.173; and Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 260.171, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 260.171, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. If the child is not released as provided in subdivision 1, the person taking the child into custody shall notify the court as soon as possible of the detention of the

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