124.48 INDIAN SCHOLARSHIPS; AMOUNT. The state board may award scholarships to any student who has one-fourth or more Indian blood and who, in the opinion of the board, has the capabilities to profit from education. Scholarship shall be for advanced or specialized education in accredited or approved colleges or in business, technical or vocational schools. Scholarships shall be used to defray tuition, incidental fees and the cost of board and room and shall be paid directly to the college or school concerned. The amount and type of each such scholarship shall be determined through the advice and counsel of the Minnesota Indian scholarship committee. No scholarship shall exceed \$800 to any Indian student in any one school year. If a course of study is completed in less than 36 weeks, the scholarship shall be prorated accordingly.

When an Indian student satisfactorily completes the work required by a certain college or school in a school year he is eligible for additional scholarships, if additional training is necessary to reach his educational and vocational objective. Scholarships may not be given to any Indian student for more than four years of study.

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## CHAPTER 177—H.F.No.408

An act relating to divorce; grounds for; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 518.06.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 518.06, is amended to read:

- 518.06 DIVORCE; GROUNDS. A divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be adjudged by the district court for any of the following causes:
  - (1) Adultery;
  - (2) Impotency;
- (3) Cruel and inhuman treatment A course of conduct detrimental to the marriage relationship of the party seeking the divorce;
- (4) Sentence to imprisonment in any state or United States prison or any state or United States reformatory subsequent to the

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marriage; and in such case a pardon shall not restore the conjugal rights;

- (5) Wilful desertion for one year next preceding the commencement of the action;
- (6) Habitual drunkenness for one year immediately preceding the commencement of the action;
- (7) Three years under commitment pursuant to the provisions of chapter 253A for mental illness or previous commitment statutes, provided that: (a) Commitment itself be sufficient with or without institutionalization; (b) the three years need not be continuous; (c) in granting a divorce upon this ground, notice of the pendency of the action shall be served in such manner as the court may direct, upon the guardian of the person and the guardian of the estate of such mentally ill person, if such guardian or guardians have been appointed and have qualified, and if such mentally ill person be confined, upon the superintendent of the institution in which such mentally ill person is confined; (d) such guardian and superintendent of the institution shall be entitled to appear and be heard upon any and all issues; (e) the rights of the parties as to the support and maintenance of the mentally ill person shall not be altered in any way by the granting of the divorce; (f) the person be under commitment for mental illness at the time of the commencement of the action; and (g) a guardian ad litem shall be appointed for such mentally ill person;
- (8) Continuous separation under decree of limited divorce for more than five years next preceding the commencement of the action, and continuous separation under an order or decree of separate maintenance for a period of two years immediately preceding the commencement of the action.
- (9) A decree of divorce may be adjudged to either husband or wife notwithstanding that both have conducted themselves in such manner as to constitute grounds for divorce.

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## CHAPTER 178—H.F.No.872

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the firemen's relief association in the city of South Saint Paul; providing for disability pensions; amending Laws 1943, Chapter 397, Section 18, as amended.

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