

board of adjustment may deem necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 360.072, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

360.072 **JUDICIAL REVIEW.** Subdivision 1. **PETITION.** Any person aggrieved, or taxpayer affected, by any decision of a board of adjustment, or of any action of the commissioner taken under section 360.063, ~~subdivision subdivisions 6 or 6a,~~ or any governing body of a municipality or county, or any joint airport zoning board, which is of the opinion that a decision of a board of adjustment or action of the commissioner is illegal may present to the district court of the county in which the airport involved, or the major portion thereof, is located a verified petition setting forth that the decision or action is illegal, in whole or in part, and specifying the grounds of the illegality. Such petition shall be presented to the court within 30 days after the decision is filed in the office of the board, or the action taken by the commissioner.

Approved May 20, 1977.

CHAPTER 237—H.F.No.1474

An act relating to employment services; authorizing the release of information to certain state agencies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 268.12, Subdivision 12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 268.12, Subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO STATE AGENCIES.** Except as hereinafter otherwise provided, information obtained from any employing unit or individual pursuant to the administration of sections 268.03 to 268.24, and from any determination as to the benefit rights of any individual shall be held confidential and shall not be disclosed or be open to public inspection in any manner revealing the individual's or employing unit's identity. Any claimant or other interested party (or his legal representative) shall be supplied with information from the records of the department of employment services, to the extent necessary for the proper presentation of his claim, contention or refutation of any claim in which he is an interested party in any proceeding under these sections with respect thereto. Subject to such restrictions as the commissioner may by regulation prescribe, such information may be made available to any agency of this or any other state, or any federal agency charged with the administration of an employment and security law or the maintenance of a system of public employment offices, any agency of this state which is required by law to provide statistical information to the bureau of labor statistics of the United States department of labor, any local human rights department within the state which has enforcement powers, or the Bureau of Internal Revenue of the United States Department of the Treasury, and information obtained in connection with administration of the

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employment service may be made available to persons or agencies for purposes appropriate to the operation of a public employment service. Upon request therefor, the commissioner shall furnish to any agency of the United States charged with the administration of public works or assistance through public employment, and may furnish to any state agency similarly charged, or any local human rights department within the state which has enforcement powers, the name, address, ordinary occupation, and employment status of each recipient of benefits and such recipient's rights to further benefits under these sections. The commissioner may request the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States to cause an examination of the correctness of any return or report of any national banking association rendered pursuant to the provisions of these sections, and may in connection with such request, transmit any such report or return to the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States as provided in section 3305(c) of the federal internal revenue code.

All letters, reports, communications, or any other matters, either oral or written, from an employer or his workers to each other or to the commissioner or any of his agents, representatives, or employees, which shall have been written or made in connection with the requirements and administration of sections 268.03 to 268.24 or the regulations thereunder, shall be absolutely privileged and shall not be made subject matter or basis for any suit for slander or libel in any court of this state.

Approved May 20, 1977.

CHAPTER 238—H.F.No.56

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to children; providing visitation rights to minor children in certain cases; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 257.022, Subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 257.022, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **CHILDREN; VISITATION RIGHTS.** In all proceedings for dissolution, subsequent to the commencement of the proceeding and continuing thereafter during the minority of the child, the court may, upon the request of the parent or grandparent of a ~~noncustodial~~ party, grant reasonable visitation rights to the unmarried minor child, after dissolution of marriage, during his minority if it finds that visitation rights would be in the best interests of the child and would not interfere with the parent child relationship. The court shall consider the amount of personal contact between the parents or grandparents of the party and the child prior to the application.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 257.022, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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