Karlstad firefighters' relief association for purposes of determining eligibility for service pensions. This section shall apply only to those persons who became members of the association upon its formation and who continued as members until retirement.

Sec. 2. This act shall apply retroactively to January 1, 1977, and shall take effect upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Karlstad and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 28, 1978.

## CHAPTER 628-H.F.No.1878

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to Washington county; drivers licenses; application and filing with clerk of the district court; providing that the commissioner of public safety may appoint an agent to assist the clerk in accepting applications under certain circumstances; prohibiting establishment of a multi-use trail in Washington county until the completion of a comprehensive plan.

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

Section 1. [171.06] [Subd. 5.] APPOINTMENT OF AGENT; WASHINGTON COUNTY. The commissioner of public safety may appoint an agent to assist the clerk of the district court in Washington county in accepting applications for instruction permits, drivers licenses, restricted licenses and duplicate licenses. The agent may retain one-half of the \$1 county fee to cover the expenses involved in receiving, accepting or forwarding the applications and fees. The agent may be appointed only if the clerk of the district court in Washington county refuses or fails to appoint an agent as provided by law after request therefor by the commissioner of public safety.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no agency of the state shall acquire land for, nor shall any construction begin, on any proposed multi-use trail on abandoned railroad lines along the St. Croix river in Washington county until the department of natural resources has completed a comprehensive plan for the project. The plan shall evaluate the likely and intended uses of the trail and the resultant effects on adjoining properties.

Sec. 3. This act is effective the day after final enactment.

Approved March 28, 1978.

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