

have the usual and customary duties, obligations and responsibilities of these offices, and who are required to be bonded at the discretion of the commission as the occasion requires. ~~Seven~~ Eight members of the commission constitute a quorum.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the Ramsey county board of commissioners. Members serving on the effective date of this act shall continue to serve the district where they reside for the terms prescribed in subdivision 3. If two serving members reside in the same district one of them shall be appointed to serve for the prescribed term. If no serving member resides in a district one shall be appointed as provided in subdivision 2.

Approved May 17, 1983

CHAPTER 156 — H.F.No. 758

An act relating to mining; extending the time period within which certain idle open pit mines must be fenced; amending Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 180.03, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 180.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Every person, firm or corporation that is or has been engaged in the business of mining or removing iron ore, taconite, semitaconite or other minerals except sand, crushed rock and gravel by the open pit method in any county which has appointed an inspector of mines pursuant to section 180.01 shall erect two inch by four inch mesh fencing along the outside perimeter of the excavation, open pit, or shaft of any mine in which mining operations have ceased for a period of six consecutive months or longer. The top and bottom wire shall not be less than 9 gauge and the filler wire shall not be less than 11 gauge. The fencing shall be not less than five feet in height with two strands of barbed wire six inches apart affixed to the top of the fence. The fence posts shall be no more than ten feet apart. In the case of open pit mines in which mining operations cease after November 1, 1979, and before March 1, 1980, the fencing shall be erected as soon as possible after March 1, 1980. Where mining operations cease on or after March 1, 1980, the fencing shall be erected forthwith. In the case of open pit mines in which mining operations had ceased for a period of six consecutive months or longer before November 1, 1979, and not resumed, the fencing shall be erected within ~~four~~ five years after November 1, 1979. Any

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fencing required by an inspector of mines pursuant to subdivision 3 or other applicable law shall meet the standards of this section as a minimum. This subdivision does not apply to any excavation, open pit, or shaft, or any portion thereof, exempted from its application by the commissioner of natural resources pursuant to laws relating to mineland reclamation or exempted from its application by the county mine inspector pursuant to subdivision 4.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day after enactment.

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CHAPTER 157 — H.F.No. 958

An act relating to long-term care; requiring the commissioners of health and public welfare to prepare a report to the legislature.

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

Section 1. REPORT ON LONG-TERM CARE.

In recognition of the variety and scope of issues related to planning, financing, and delivery of long-term care services, the commissioners of public welfare and health shall review the "1982 Minnesota Long-Term Care Plan," compiled in October 1981 by the department of health under a grant from the federal administration on aging in the Department of Health and Human Services, and prepare a joint report to the legislature which addresses the following:

(1) progress on implementation of any of the recommendations in the plan;

(2) modifications of any of the recommendations which result from information available since the plan was developed; and

(3) an analysis of options to establish a state level administrative mechanism for addressing long-term care policy issues on an ongoing basis.

Sec. 2. DUE DATE FOR REPORT.

The report required by section 1 is due by January 15, 1984.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved May 17, 1983

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