

Subdivision 1. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 373.01, subdivision 1, or any other law to the contrary, the counties of Mower, Steele, Rice and Goodhue may sell the property owned jointly by them formerly known as the Mineral Springs Sanatorium in the open market and upon terms as the counties determine without competitive bids, or public notice or hearing.

**Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 2 is effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the county board of each of the counties of Mower, Steele, Rice and Goodhue.

Approved June 6, 1983

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**CHAPTER 266 — H.F.No. 667**

*An act relating to employment; providing leaves of absence for adoptive parents; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 181.*

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

**Section 1. [181.92] LEAVES FOR ADOPTIVE PARENTS.**

An employer who permits paternity or maternity time off to a biological father or mother shall, upon request, grant time off, with or without pay, to an adoptive father or mother. The minimum period of this time off shall be four weeks, or, if the employer has an established policy of time off for a biological parent which sets a period of time off of less than four weeks, that period of time shall be the minimum period for an adoptive parent. The period of time off shall, at the direction of the adoptive parent, begin before, or at the time of, the child's placement in the adoptive parent's home, and shall be for the purpose of arranging the child's placement or caring for the child after placement. An employer shall not penalize an employee for requesting or obtaining time off according to this section.

**Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

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**CHAPTER 267 — H.F.No. 744**

*An act relating to motor vehicles; providing for special, free license plates for recipients of the congressional medal of honor; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.*

Changes or additions are indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.

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

**Section 1. [168.124] SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES FOR CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS.**

**Subdivision 1. ISSUANCE AND DESIGN.** The registrar of motor vehicles shall issue special license plates bearing the inscription "MEDAL OF HONOR" to an applicant who is a recipient of the congressional medal of honor and upon the applicant's compliance with the laws of this state relating to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles and drivers. The special license plates must be of a design and size determined by the registrar. Only one set of plates bearing the inscription "MEDAL OF HONOR" may be issued for each qualified applicant.

**Subd. 2. APPLICATION.** Application for issuance of these plates may be made only at the time of renewal or first application for registration.

**Subd. 3. NO FEE.** The registrar shall issue a set of medal of honor plates to qualified applicants free of charge and the plates must be replaced by the department without charge if they become damaged. In addition, no fee may be charged for a subsequent year when tabs or stickers are issued for that motor vehicle on which the special medal of honor plates are placed.

**Subd. 4. TRANSFER.** Despite the provisions of section 168.12, subdivision 1, medal of honor plates issued under this section may be transferred to another personal motor vehicle owned or jointly owned by the medal of honor recipient upon notification to the registrar of motor vehicles.

**Subd. 5. MOTOR VEHICLE; SPECIAL DEFINITION.** For purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means a vehicle for personal use, not used for commercial purposes, and may include a passenger automobile, station wagon, pickup truck, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle.

**Subd. 6. WHEN ISSUED.** The registrar of motor vehicles shall begin issuing medal of honor plates for the calendar year 1984 and thereafter.

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**CHAPTER 268 — H.F.No. 870**

*An act relating to state government; authorizing the commissioner of the department of economic security to adopt permanent or temporary rules; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 268; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 268.12, subdivision 3.*

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