

The amount of bonds issued under this section shall not be included in computing any debt limitation applicable to the county, and any taxes levied to pay the principal and interest on the bonds shall not be subject to any levy limitation, or be included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the county.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective the day after compliance by the governing body of Washington county with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Approved March 19, 1986

CHAPTER 349—H.F.No. 651

An act relating to health; authorizing inclusion of physical fitness therapies in grant programs for the mentally ill; providing for study of the administration of mental health services; requiring a report to the legislature; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, sections 245.73, by adding a subdivision; and 256E.12, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 245.73, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. SPECIAL PROGRAMS. Grants received pursuant to this section may be used to fund innovative programs in residential facilities, related to structured physical fitness programs designed as part of a mental health treatment plan.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 256E.12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

256E.12 GRANTS FOR CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL PERSONS.

Subdivision 1. The commissioner shall establish an experimental statewide program to assist counties in providing services to chronically mentally ill persons. The commissioner shall make grants to counties to establish, operate, or contract with private providers to provide services designed to help chronically mentally ill persons remain and function in their own communities. Grants received pursuant to this section may be used to fund innovative community programs, relating to physical fitness programs designed as part of a mental health treatment plan.

Sec. 3. **MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES STUDY.**

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government to administer a system of mental health services. Alternatives to be studied shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) the creation of a mental health authority within the department of human services, under its commissioner;

(2) the creation of a mental health authority within the department of health, under its commissioner; and

(3) the creation by the legislature of a separate and independent department of mental health.

Results of the study and recommendations shall be reported to the legislature by December 15, 1986.

Sec. 4. LICENSING FUNCTIONS STUDY.

The state planning agency shall study methods of unifying mental health licensing functions presently divided between the departments of health and human services, gaining consistency in licensing and regulating functions, and attempting to consolidate the number of rules promulgated by these departments. In addition, the study shall address methods to improve the quality assurance system, including standards, mechanisms to monitor, enforcement authority, and make recommendations regarding the transfer of mental health licensing and quality assurance activities to the commissioner of health. The study must address quality assurance as an activity conducted by the state to assess the status of quality in a service, to track that status over time, and to improve the correspondence between standards and performance. Results of the study and recommendations shall be made to the legislature by December 15, 1986.

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CHAPTER 350—H.F.No. 1664

An act relating to local government; regulating contracts for the purchase of fuel by a municipality required for generation of municipal power; allowing municipalities to contract to buy sheltered workshop products without getting competitive bids; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 471.345, by adding subdivisions.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 471.345, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11. FUEL CONTRACTS FOR GENERATION OF MUNICIPAL POWER. Notwithstanding the amount of the contract, any contract entered into by a municipality for the purchase of fuel required for the generation of power from municipal power plants shall be governed by subdivision 4.

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