

**Subd. 4. IN-SERVICE TRAINING; CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REQUIREMENTS.** A chief law enforcement officer must inform all peace officers within the officer's agency of (1) the requirements of section 1, (2) the availability of the instructional materials provided by the board under subdivision 3, and (3) the availability of continuing education credit for the completion of these materials. The chief law enforcement officer must also encourage these peace officers to review or complete the materials.

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**CHAPTER 644—H.F.No. 2468**

*An act relating to economic development; authorizing the commissioner to report on geographical distribution of set-aside awards for small businesses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 16B.19, subdivision 5; Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 645.445, subdivision 5.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 16B.19, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. CERTAIN SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCES AND SET-ASIDES.** At least nine percent of the value of all procurements shall be awarded, if possible, for award to businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons as defined in section 645.445 with their principal place of business in Minnesota. The commissioner shall designate set-aside procurements in a manner that will encourage proportional distribution of set-aside awards among the geographical regions of the state. To promote the geographical distribution of set-aside awards, the commissioner may designate a portion of the set-aside for small businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons for award to bidders from a specified congressional district or other geographical region specified by the commissioner and shall report annually to the governmental operations committees of the house of representatives and the senate on the use and impact of this provision. To reach a goal of nine percent, the commissioner must set aside at least three percent of all procurements for bidding only by small businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons, may award a five percent preference in the amount bid on selected state procurements to small businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons, or may utilize any other bidding process authorized by this chapter. In the event small businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons are unable to perform at least nine percent of the value of all procurements, the commissioner shall award the remainder to other small businesses. At least 50 percent of the value of the procurements awarded to busi-

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nesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons shall actually be performed by the business to which the award is made or another business owned and operated by a socially or economically disadvantaged person or persons. The commissioner may not designate more than 20 percent of any commodity class for set-aside or preference awards to businesses owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons. A business owned and operated by socially or economically disadvantaged persons that has been awarded more than three-tenths of one percent of the value of the total anticipated procurements for a fiscal year under this subdivision is disqualified from receiving further set-aside or preference advantages for that fiscal year.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 645.445, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. "Socially or economically disadvantaged person" means a person who has been deprived of the opportunity to develop and maintain a competitive position in the economy because of social or economic conditions. This disadvantage may arise from cultural, social or economic circumstances, or background, physical location if the person resides or is employed in a county in which the median income for married couples is less than 70 percent of the state median income for married couples or an area designated a labor surplus area by the United States Department of Labor, or other similar cause. For purposes of this subdivision, an area designated a labor surplus area retains that status for 120 days after certified small businesses in the area are notified of the termination of the designation by the United States Department of Labor. It includes racial minorities, women, or persons who have suffered a substantial physical disability. For purposes of sections 16B.19 to 16B.22 and 137.31, the definition of "socially or economically disadvantaged person" includes sheltered workshops and work activity programs.

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#### CHAPTER 645—H.F.No. 2481

*An act relating to local government; the city of Cook, the city of Orr, and Koochiching and St. Louis counties; providing for the establishment of a hospital district in portions of those counties.*

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

#### Section 1. HOSPITAL DISTRICT TERRITORY.

Subdivision 1. ST. LOUIS COUNTY. The St. Louis county board may, acting for the unorganized townships listed in this subdivision, request the annexation of those townships to a hospital district to be organized under Minnesota Statutes, sections 447.31 to 447.37, that includes the city of Cook and the city of Orr as well as other townships in Koochiching county and St. Louis county. The unorganized townships are: 61 North, Range 17 West; 62

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