

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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North, Range 21 West; 63 North, Range 21 West; 63 North, Range 19 West; 64 North, Range 21 West; 64 North, Range 18 West; 65 North, Range 21 West; 66 North, Range 21 West; 66 North, Range 20 West; 66 North, Range 19 West; 67 North, Range 21 West; 67 North, Range 20 West; 67 North, Range 19 West; 67 North, Range 18 West; 67 North, Range 17 West; 68 North, Range 21 West; 68 North, Range 20 West; 68 North, Range 19 West; 68 North, Range 18 West; 68 North, Range 17 West; 69 North, Range 21 West; 69 North, Range 20 West; 69 North, Range 19 West; 69 North, Range 18 West; 69 North, Range 17 West; 70 North, Range 21 West; 70 North, Range 20 West; 70 North, Range 19 West; 70 North, Range 18 West; 71 North, Range 21 West; and 71 North, Range 20 West.

Subd. 2. KOOCHICHING COUNTY. The Koochiching county board may, acting for the unorganized townships listed in this subdivision, request the annexation of those townships to the hospital district described in subdivision 1. The unorganized townships are: 64 North, Range 22 West; 64 North, Range 23 West; 65 North, Range 22 West; 65 North, Range 23 West; 66 North, Range 22 West; and 66 North, Range 23 West.

Subd. 3. EXCEPTION TO CONTIGUITY REQUIREMENTS. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 447.31, subdivision 2, the district created under this act is not required to be contiguous.

Subd. 4. EXCEPTION TO VOTING REQUIREMENT. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 447.31, subdivision 3, resolutions authorizing the establishment of a hospital district under this act may be adopted by a majority vote.

Sec. 2. OFFICERS.

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 447.32, subdivision 1, the hospital district created under this act shall be governed by a board composed of one member elected from each city and town in the district, two members elected at large from the aggregate of the unorganized townships in St. Louis county listed in section 1, subdivision 1, and one member elected at large from the aggregate of the unorganized townships in Koochiching county listed in section 1, subdivision 2.

Sec. 3. TAX; PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

The tax levied by the hospital district under Minnesota Statutes, section 447.34, must not be levied at a rate that exceeds 2 mills. The proceeds of that tax may be used only for acquisition, betterment, and maintenance of the district's hospital and nursing home facilities and equipment, and not for administrative or salary expenses.

Sec. 4. TRANSFER OF FACILITIES OF CITY OF COOK.

The city of Cook may transfer title and interest in its hospital and nursing home, including the real estate, building, and equipment, to the hospital district

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created under this act for no consideration. All obligations incurred prior to the transfer in connection with the construction or operation of the hospital and nursing home shall remain as the exclusive obligation of the city of Cook.

Sec. 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

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

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

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

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CHAPTER 646—H.F.No. 2536

An act relating to elections; providing that statewide computerized voter registration system satisfy requirements for duplicate registration file; establishing voter registration account and appropriating money; changing certain procedures related to registration cards, files, and records; changing certain procedures for voting, arranging names on ballots, and completing summary statements; permitting cities or counties to use their present voting systems for general elections; amending Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 201.091, subdivisions 2 and 5; 204D.08, subdivision 5; Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, sections 201.022, subdivision 1; 201.071, subdivision 4; 204C.24, subdivision 1; 204D.08, subdivision 4; and 206.80; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 201.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 201.022, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **ESTABLISHMENT.** The secretary of state shall develop and implement a statewide computerized voter registration system to facilitate voter registration and to provide a central data base containing voter registration information from around the state. The system must be accessible to the county auditor of each county in the state. The system must satisfy the requirements for a duplicate registration file. County requirements for a duplicate registration file are met when the secretary of state determines that a county's

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