

(6) Purchase or use of a motor vehicle by a private nonprofit or public educational institution for use as an instructional aid in automotive training programs operated by the institution.

(7) Purchase of a motor vehicle for use as an ambulance by an ambulance service licensed under section 144.802.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 353.01, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION.** "Governmental subdivision" means a county, city, town, school district within this state, or a department or unit of state government, or any public body whose revenues are derived from taxation, fees, assessments or from other sources, but does not mean any municipal housing and redevelopment authority organized under the provisions of sections 469.001 to 469.047; or any port authority organized pursuant to sections 469.048 to 469.068; or any hospital district organized or reorganized prior to July 1, 1975, pursuant to sections 447.31 to 447.37. A hospital district organized or reorganized on or after July 1, 1975, whose employees are not enrolled and participating in the association, may elect to be excluded from the definition of governmental subdivision for purposes of this chapter. To be excluded, the hospital district must notify the association in writing of its intent to be excluded.

Sec. 8. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 7 is effective the day following final enactment. A hospital district that was organized or reorganized within one year prior to the effective date of section 7 and that files a written notice of its intent to be excluded within 60 days after the effective date of the section, but before its employees have become enrolled and participating in the public employee retirement association, is excluded from the definition of governmental entity retroactively to the date the hospital district was organized or reorganized.

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#### CHAPTER 557—S.F.No. 1081

*An act relating to courts; providing for a study by the supreme court of racial bias in the judicial system; appropriating money.*

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

Section 1. **SUPREME COURT STUDY OF RACIAL BIAS IN THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM.**

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Subdivision 1. STUDY. The supreme court shall study racial bias in the judicial system in Minnesota. The court shall appoint an advisory task force to assist with the study.

Subd. 2. CONTENTS. The study must examine the extent to which racial bias exists in the judicial system, including the existence of discriminatory treatment of litigants, witnesses, jurors, judges, attorneys, and court personnel who are members of racial minorities. The study should:

(1) identify positions within the judicial system including, but not limited to, judges, judicial clerks, court reporters, judicial administrators and their staff, county attorneys, public defenders and their staff, and identify minority representation or underrepresentation in the positions;

(2) review sentencing patterns to see if the length or conditions of sentences vary based on the defendant's race;

(3) review the jury selection process, including grand juries, to determine the representation or underrepresentation of minority populations on juries and determine if the use of peremptory strikes varies based on the juror's race; and

(4) review other aspects of court operations as appropriate to identify patterns of different and unequal treatment of racial minority persons.

The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 1993. In the interim, the task force may report findings as parts of the study are completed.

#### Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION.

\$50,000 in fiscal year 1991 is appropriated from the general fund to the supreme court to carry out the study under section 1. This is a one-time appropriation and is available until expended.

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### CHAPTER 558—S.F.No. 1703

*An act relating to natural resources; authorizing the enforcement of certain natural resource laws by conservation officers; increasing the penalty for wrongful destruction or removal of no trespassing signs; prohibiting shooting at decoys under certain circumstances; prohibiting deer stands on highway right-of-way; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, sections 97A.205; 97B.055, subdivision 1; and 97B.325.*

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