

Presented to the governor April 28, 1995

Signed by the governor May 1, 1995, 2:55 p.m.

CHAPTER 109—H.F.No. 866

An act relating to local government; authorizing home rule charter and statutory cities to make grants to nonprofit community food shelves; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 604A.10, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 465.

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

Section 1. [465.039] GIFTS TO ORGANIZATIONS DISTRIBUTING FOOD.

The governing body of a home rule charter or statutory city may appropriate each year out of the general fund of the city, or other unrestricted money, an amount to be determined by the governing body to provide grants to nonprofit organizations operating community food shelves that provide food to the needy without charge.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 604A.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DEFINITIONS.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given them.

(b) "Distressed food" means, in addition to the definition in section 31.495, certain perishable foods, as defined in section 28A.03, that may not be readily marketable due to appearance, freshness, grade, surplus, or other considerations and are not suspect of having been rendered unsafe or unsuitable for food use and are adequately labeled.

(c) "Food bank" means a surplus food collection and distribution system operated and established to assist in bringing donated food to nonprofit charitable organizations and individuals for the purpose of reducing hunger and meeting nutritional needs.

(d) "Food facility" means:

(1) a restaurant, food establishment, grocery store, delicatessen, convenience store, vehicle, vending machine, produce stand, temporary food facility, satellite food distribution facility, stationary mobile food preparation unit, or mobile food preparation unit;

(2) a place used in conjunction with the operations described in clause (1),

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including, but not limited to, storage facilities for food-related utensils, equipment, and materials; or

(3) a farmers' market.

(e) "Nonprofit charitable organization" means an organization that is incorporated under the Minnesota nonprofit corporation act and is operating for charitable purposes.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 2, 1995

Signed by the governor May 3, 1995, 11:02 a.m.

CHAPTER 110—H.F.No. 533

An act relating to Stearns county; authorizing the Paynesville area hospital district to annex the city of Eden Valley to the district; authorizing the city of Sauk Centre to determine the number of members of the public utilities commission.

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

Section 1. PAYNESVILLE AREA HOSPITAL DISTRICT.

Notwithstanding the contiguity requirement of Minnesota Statutes, section 447.36, the Paynesville area hospital district, organized in 1992 by resolution of the Paynesville city council and the Paynesville town board, may, upon the request of the city of Eden Valley, annex the city of Eden Valley to the district. The annexation shall otherwise comply with Minnesota Statutes, sections 447.31 to 447.50, including the referendum provision of Minnesota Statutes, section 447.36.

Sec. 2. CITY OF SAUK CENTRE; UTILITIES COMMISSION; MEMBERSHIP.

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 412.341, or any other law to the contrary, the governing body of the city of Sauk Centre may, by ordinance, establish the number of members of the public utilities commission, without any limitation.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Under Minnesota Statutes, section 645.023, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), section 1 is effective without local approval, on the day following final enactment. Section 2 takes effect the day after the city of Sauk Centre complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

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