

CHAPTER 146—H.F.No. 1003

An act relating to health; modifying provisions relating to X-ray operators and inspections; establishing an advisory committee; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 144.121, by adding subdivisions.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 144.121, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. EXAMINATION FOR INDIVIDUAL OPERATING X-RAY EQUIPMENT. After January 1, 1997, an individual in a facility with X-ray equipment for use on humans that is registered under subdivision 1 may not operate, nor may the facility allow the individual to operate, X-ray equipment unless the individual has passed an examination approved by the commissioner of health, or an examination determined to the satisfaction of the commissioner of health to be an equivalent national, state, or regional examination, that demonstrates the individual's knowledge of basic radiation safety, proper use of X-ray equipment, darkroom and film processing, and quality assurance procedures. The commissioner shall establish by rule criteria for the approval of examinations required for an individual operating an X-ray machine in Minnesota.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 144.121, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. INSPECTION. At the time a facility with X-ray equipment is inspected by the commissioner of health in accordance with subdivision 2, an individual operating X-ray equipment in the facility must be able to show compliance with the requirements of subdivision 5.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 144.121, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. ADVISORY COMMITTEE. The commissioner of health shall establish an advisory committee for advice on the examination required under subdivision 5. The committee shall consist of 15 members including, but not limited to, a representative of each of the following associations and licensing boards: medical, dental, chiropractic, podiatric, nursing, and hospital, and a representative of registered radiologic technologists and laboratory technicians. The committee shall expire March 31, 1996.

Presented to the governor May 8, 1995

Signed by the governor May 10, 1995, 10:41 a.m.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.