CHAPTER 16—H.F.No. 125

An act relating to corrections; prohibiting correctional inmates from applying for name changes more than once during an inmate's confinement; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 259.

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

Section 1. **[259.12] CORRECTIONAL INMATES; NAME CHANGES; LIMITED.**

During an inmate's confinement in a correctional facility, as defined in section 241.021, subdivision 1, clause (5), an inmate may request a name change under section 259.10 only once, and may proceed in forma pauperis only when the failure to allow the name change would infringe on a constitutional right of an inmate.

Presented to the governor March 24, 1995

Signed by the governor March 27, 1995, 2:20 p.m.

CHAPTER 17—H.F.No. 435

An act relating to public utilities; authorizing performance-based gas purchasing regulation for gas utilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 216B.16, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

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

Section 1. **[216B.167] PERFORMANCE-BASED GAS PURCHASING REGULATION FOR GAS UTILITIES.**

Subdivision 1. **PERFORMANCE-BASED GAS PURCHASING PLANS.** A public utility that furnishes natural gas may petition the commission for approval of a performance-based gas purchasing plan under this section. The commission may approve a plan if it finds that:

(1) the plan provides incentives for the utility to achieve lower natural gas costs than would have been achieved in the absence of the plan, as measured by the benchmarks established in clause (3), by linking financial rewards and penalties to natural gas costs;

(2) the potential benefits of the plan apply, at a minimum, to each customer class purchasing firm natural gas service from the utility;

(3) the plan establishes one or more benchmarks against which actual natural gas costs will be measured and the benchmarks reflect relevant market condi-

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