

nications networks. This appropriation is available to the extent matched by the University of Minnesota or private sources.

This appropriation includes money for quality improvements and inter-region and inter-state connectivity for MnNet.

This appropriation does not cancel but is available until expended.

Sec. 12. Laws 1997, chapter 183, article 2, section 19, is amended to read:

Sec. 19. NATIONAL SERVICE SCHOLARS PROGRAM.

A national service scholars program is established under the administration of the higher education services office to match scholarship grants made under the National Service Scholars program of the Corporation for National Service to students attending Minnesota high schools and who will attend a Minnesota post-secondary institution. Not more than one matching grant of \$500 may be made for each high school per year. The state money shall be available until June 30, 1999 the participants for whom the money was appropriated are no longer eligible to draw benefits, if federal money is available.

Sec. 13. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 137.01, is repealed.

Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 6 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 9, 1998

Signed by the governor April 9, 1998, 6:25 p.m.

CHAPTER 385—S.F.No. 2645

An act relating to metropolitan government; modifying requirement for affirmative action plans by certain contractors; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 473.144.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 473.144, is amended to read:

473.144 CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE FOR CONTRACTS.

(a) For all contracts for goods and services in excess of \$100,000, neither the council nor an agency listed in section 473.143, subdivision 1, may shall accept any bid or proposal for a contract or execute a contract for goods or services in excess of \$50,000 with or agreement from any business having more than 20 40 full-time employees within this state on a single working day during the previous 12 months, unless the firm or business has an affirmative action plan for the employment of minority persons, women, and the

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qualified disabled that individuals submitted to the commissioner of human rights for approval. Neither the council nor an agency listed in section 473.143, subdivision 1, shall execute the contract or agreement until the affirmative action plan has been approved by the commissioner of human rights. Receipt of a certificate of compliance from the commissioner of human rights signifies that a business has an approved affirmative action plan. A certificate is valid for two years. Section 363.073 governs revocation of certificates. The rules adopted by the commissioner of human rights under section 363.074 apply to this section.

(b) This paragraph applies to a contract for goods or services in excess of \$100,000 to be entered into between the council or an agency listed in section 473.143, subdivision 1, and a business that is not subject to paragraph (a), but that has more than 40 full-time employees on a single working day during the previous 12 months in the state where the business has its primary place of business. The council or the agency may not execute a contract or agreement with a business covered by this paragraph unless the business has a certificate of compliance issued by the commissioner under paragraph (a) or the business certifies to the contracting agency that it is in compliance with federal affirmative action requirements.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment and applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

Presented to the governor April 10, 1998

Signed by the governor April 20, 1998, 11:23 a.m.

CHAPTER 386—S.F.No. 726

An act relating to state agencies; modifying procurement procedures; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, sections 3.225, subdivision 2; 3.732, subdivision 6; 3.922, subdivision 5; 3C.10, subdivision 3; 4A.04; 6.551; 11A.24, subdivision 4; 12.221, subdivision 5; 15.054; 15.061; 16A.101; 16A.85, subdivision 1; 16B.181; 17.1015; 41A.023; 43A.23, subdivision 1; 44A.01, subdivision 1; 45.0291; 84.025, subdivision 7; 84.026; 84.0845; 85A.02, subdivisions 3, 16, and 18; 103F.515, subdivision 3; 116.03, subdivision 2; 116J.035, subdivision 1; 116J.402; 116J.58, subdivision 2; 116J.68, subdivision 2; 116J.966, subdivision 1; 124.14, subdivision 1; 126.151, subdivision 2; 129C.10, subdivision 7; 136A.06; 136A.16, subdivision 1; 136A.29, subdivision 6; 136F.23; 136F.56, subdivision 5; 136F.581, subdivision 3; 136F.66; 136F.72, subdivision 3; 136F.96; 137.35, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; 144.0742; 144.95, subdivision 5; 161.315, subdivision 4; 161.32, by adding subdivisions; 161.321, subdivisions 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7; 161.41, subdivision 2; 179A.23; 198.35, subdivision 1; 216C.02, subdivision 1; 237.51, subdivision 5a; 241.0221, subdivision 6; 241.27, subdivision 2; 246.36; 246.57, subdivisions 1 and 6; 256B.031, subdivision 1; 256B.04, subdivisions 14 and 15; 298.2211, subdivision 4; 349A.06, subdivision 1; 349A.07, subdivision 6; 352.03, subdivisions 6 and 16; 354.06, subdivision 2a; 354.07, subdivision 7; 356A.06, subdivision 7; 446A.12, subdivision 5; 462A.18, subdivision 2; 471.345, subdivision 8; 473.142; 473.556, subdivision 14; 480.09, subdivision 1; and 626.90, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 1997 Supplement, sections 3.225, subdivision 1; 16A.15, subdivision 3; 16B.465, subdivision 7; 16E.07, subdivision 9; 17.03, subdivision 12; 41D.03, subdivision 7; 61B.21, subdivision 1; 85A.02, subdivision 5b; 121.1113, subdivision 2;

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