for use by any public or private agency or individual in the state. ~~Within the seven-county metro area, the division shall contract for these services; outside the metro area,~~ The division shall directly coordinate these services but may contract with an appropriate agency to provide this service. The division may collect a $3 fee per referral for interpreter referral services and the actual costs of interpreter services provided by department staff. Fees and payments collected shall be deposited in the general fund. The $3 referral fee shall not be collected from state agencies or local units of government or deaf or hard–of–hearing consumers or interpreters.

Subd. 2. **DUTIES.** Interpreting or interpreter referral services must include:

(a) statewide access to interpreter referral and direct interpreting services, coordinated with the regional service centers;

(b) maintenance of a statewide directory of qualified interpreters;

(c) assessment of the present and projected supply and demand for interpreter services statewide; and

(d) coordination with the regional service centers on projects to train interpreters and advocate for and evaluate interpreter services.

Presented to the governor May 10, 1999

Signed by the governor May 13, 1999, 1:10 p.m.

CHAPTER 150—S.F.No. 1471

An act relating to landlords and tenants; requiring certain limitations on tenant screening fees; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 504; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 504.30, subdivision 5.

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

Section 1. [504.301] APPLICANT SCREENING FEE.

Subdivision 1. **LIMIT ON NUMBER OF APPLICANT SCREENING FEES.** A landlord or the landlord's agent may not charge an applicant a screening fee when the landlord knows or should have known that no rental unit is available at that time or will be available within a reasonable future time.

Subd. 2. **RETURN OF APPLICANT SCREENING FEE.** If the landlord or the landlord's agent does not perform a personal reference check or does not obtain a consumer credit report or tenant screening report, the landlord or the landlord's agent shall return any amount of the screening fee that is not used for those purposes. The screening fee may be returned by mail, may be destroyed upon the applicant's request if paid by check, or may be made available for the applicant to retrieve.

Subd. 3. **DISCLOSURES TO APPLICANT.** A landlord or the landlord's agent, prior to taking an application fee from a prospective tenant, must disclose on the application form or orally the name, address, and telephone number of the tenant screening service the owner will use, unless the owner does not use a tenant screening service.

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Subd. 4. **REMEDIES.** In addition to any other remedies, a landlord who violates this section is liable to the applicant for the application fee plus a civil penalty of up to $100, civil court filing costs, and reasonable attorney fees incurred to enforce this remedy.

Sec. 2. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 504.30, subdivision 5, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 151—S.F.No. 1330

An act relating to financial institutions; regulating fees, charges, investments, and time periods; authorizing certain part–time banking locations; authorizing reverse stock splits; regulating mortgage insurance and loans; modifying the application requirements for credit unions; making corrections and conforming changes; regulating deposit and investment of local public funds; modifying a definition; authorizing a detached facility in Chisago Lakes Township; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 46.041, subdivisions 1 and 3; 46.048, subdivisions 1 and 2b; 46.131, subdivision 10; 47.0156; 47.101, subdivision 3; 47.20, subdivision 6b; 47.203; 47.204, subdivision 1; 47.27, subdivision 3; 47.52; 47.54, subdivisions 2 and 3; 47.59, subdivision 12; 47.60, subdivision 3; 48.15, subdivisions 2a and 3; 48.24, subdivision 7, and by adding a subdivision; 48A.15, subdivision 1; 49.36, subdivision 1; 52.01; 52.05, subdivision 2; 53.03, subdivisions 1, 6, and 7; 55.04, subdivision 2; 56.02; 56.131, subdivision 1; 58.04, subdivision 1; 58.06, subdivision 2; 58.08, subdivision 1; 59A.03, subdivision 2; 60K.11, subdivision 1; 118A.01, subdivision 2; 168.67; 168.71; 303.25, subdivision 5; 332.15, subdivisions 2 and 3; 332.17; and 332.30; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 47; 48; 52; and 334; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1998, sections 47.20, subdivision 14; and 58.07.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 46.041, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **FILING; FEE; PUBLIC INSPECTION.** The incorporators of a bank proposed to be organized under the laws of this state shall execute and acknowledge a written application in the form prescribed by the commissioner of commerce. The application must be signed by two or more of the incorporators and request a certificate authorizing the proposed bank to transact business at the place and in the name stated in the application. The applicant shall file the application with the department with a $1,000 an $8,000 filing fee and a $500 investigation fee. The commissioner may waive the fee for a bank to be located in a low– or moderate–income area as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 12, part 25(1), (n)(1) and (n)(2) and where no other depository institution operates an office. If the proposed bank is being organized in connection with a reorganization or merger of an existing bank, the filing fee is $2,000. The fees must be turned over by the commissioner to the state treasurer and credited to the general fund. The application file must be public, with the exception of financial data on individuals which is

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