

- (1) continue the easements or other agreements for the snowmobile trail; or
- (2) develop an alternative route for the trail, including acquiring any necessary easements or other agreements for the trail right-of-way and providing funding for all expenses associated with clearing and marking the snowmobile trail.

Sec. 2. TRAILS IN MILLE LACS AND PINE COUNTIES.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on vehicle travel in rules adopted under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.321, all-terrain vehicles or vehicles of a similar nature may be operated on existing public multipurpose trails that cross wild, scenic, or recreational land use districts in Mille Lacs and Pine counties. This section expires four years from the effective date of this section or on the effective date of amendments to rules adopted under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.321, whichever is earlier.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor May 21, 2001

Signed by the governor May 24, 2001, 2:00 p.m.

CHAPTER 166—S.F.No. 1124

An act relating to retirement; providing continued insurance coverage for spouses of certain retirees.

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

Section 1. SPOUSE INSURANCE COVERAGE.

(a) If the spouse of a retired employee who received employer-paid hospital, medical, and dental benefits under Laws 1993, chapter 224, article 8, section 18, was covered as a dependent of the retired employee when the employee retired, the spouse may continue coverage under the retired employee's group until the latter of the time the spouse or the retired employee attains the age of 65. The spouse must pay for coverage after the retired employee attains the age of 65. Eligibility is subject to changes in coverage and payment amounts that apply to employees in positions from which the retired employee retired. This section does not apply if the retired employee terminated coverage because the employee became eligible for employer-paid health insurance from a new employer.

(b) A spouse whose coverage had been discontinued before the effective date of this section because the retired employee attained the age of 65 may receive coverage for which the spouse becomes eligible under paragraph (a) only if the spouse notifies the former employer within 180 days of the effective date of this act.

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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment. In addition to application to a spouse of a retired employee when the retired employee attains the age of 65 after the effective date, the section also applies to a spouse who was terminated from coverage before the effective date because the retired employee attained the age of 65.

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CHAPTER 167—S.F.No. 846

An act relating to public safety; authorizing use of the criminal justice data communications network for determining if civil commitment petitions of proposed patient as sexual psychopathic or sexually dangerous person should be filed; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 299C.46, subdivision 3.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 299C.46, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **AUTHORIZED USE, FEE.** (a) The criminal justice data communications network shall be used exclusively by:

(1) criminal justice agencies in connection with the performance of duties required by law;

(2) agencies investigating federal security clearances of individuals for assignment or retention in federal employment with duties related to national security, as required by Public Law Number 99-1691;

(3) other agencies to the extent necessary to provide for protection of the public or property in an emergency or disaster situation;

(4) noncriminal justice agencies statutorily mandated, by state or national law, to conduct checks into state databases prior to disbursing licenses or providing benefits;

(5) the public authority responsible for child support enforcement in connection with the performance of its duties; and

(6) the public defender, as provided in section 611.272; and

(7) a county attorney or the attorney general, as the county attorney's designee, for the purpose of determining whether a petition for the civil commitment of a proposed patient as a sexual psychopathic personality or as a sexually dangerous person should be filed, and during the pendency of the commitment proceedings.

(b) The commissioner of public safety shall establish a monthly network access charge to be paid by each participating criminal justice agency. The network access charge shall be a standard fee established for each terminal, computer, or other

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