

(g) The power to cooperate with any public or municipal corporation, with the counties and with any private or public organization engaged in conservation, recreational activities, protection of the public health and safety, prevention of water pollution, sanitation, and/or mosquito abatement for any constructive purpose, and the power, upon request, to assume control of all or a portion of any existing parks or park lands owned by any county government or municipal corporation in the park district; such control shall be assumed only at the request of and by agreement with the public authority in control of such parks or park lands. Thereupon such parks or park lands may be developed, improved, protected and operated as a park as in case of lands otherwise acquired by the board. Such acquisition or assumption of control or operation of a municipal park system by a park district shall in no way impair the authority and power of such municipality to levy and collect taxes for park, playground and recreational purposes, all or part of such tax funds to be transferred to the park district for such uses as may be agreed upon between the district and the municipality.

(h) The power to designate employees as police officers within the parks under the jurisdiction and control of the board, and employees so designated may exercise all the powers of police officers within the park lands under the jurisdiction and control of the board. Before exercising these powers, each such employee shall take an oath and give a bond to the state in such sum as the board prescribes for the proper performance of the employee's duties in such respect. The board may contract with municipalities or with the county or counties for the policing of park properties.

(i) The power, ~~upon a four-fifths vote of the board,~~ to enter into an agreement under section 471.59 with any political subdivision, governmental unit, or agency, including an elected park and recreation board in a city of the first class, to expend public money, including bond proceeds, in its possession for any metropolitan regional park purposes, including transferring money in its possession as a grant to other political subdivisions, governmental units, or agencies, including an elected park and recreation board in a city of the first class.

**Sec. 5. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 383B.73, subdivision 2; and 383B.74, are repealed.

**Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 5 are effective the day after their final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 23, 2001

Signed by the governor April 24, 2001, 10:11 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 45—H.F.No. 2119**

*An act relating to charitable organizations; amending report filing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 309.53, subdivisions 1, 2.*

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

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 309.53, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Every charitable organization that is required to file or that files a registration statement pursuant to section 309.52 shall file an annual report with the attorney general upon forms provided by the attorney general or on forms identical thereto on or before June 30 July 15 of each year if its books are kept on a calendar year basis, or within six months after on or before the 15th day of the seventh month following the close of its fiscal year if its books are kept on a fiscal year basis. For cause shown the attorney general may extend the time for filing the annual report for a period not to exceed ~~three~~ four months.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 309.53, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Such annual report shall include a financial statement covering the immediately preceding 12-month period of operation, shall be executed by any two duly constituted officers of the charitable organization, and shall be executed pursuant to resolution of the board of directors or trustees, or if there be no such board, then by its managing group which has approved the content of the annual report. Except as provided in section 309.55, subdivision 1, the annual report shall also include a copy of all tax or information returns, including all schedules and amendments, submitted by the charitable organization to the Internal Revenue Service for the period covered by the annual report except any schedules of contributors to the organization. ~~If a charitable organization, at the time of filing the state annual report, has been granted a federal extension to file its federal information return/tax return (form 990 or 990PF), the attorney general may permit the charitable organization to file with its annual report a copy of the federal extension and file the federal form with the state when it is required to be filed with the federal government. The attorney general may grant such permission provided that:~~

(1) the request is made not later than 30 days before the date on which the materials would otherwise be due to the attorney general; and

~~(2) if the charitable organization has already been granted a three-month extension pursuant to subdivision 1, the charitable organization demonstrates that, due to circumstances beyond its control, it is not possible for the charitable organization to comply within the period established by the extension already granted.~~

A charitable organization which files the annual report required under this subdivision with the attorney general is not required to file the tax return with the commissioner of revenue. An organization which fails to file the annual report on or before the date required or allowed under this section shall pay a late fee of \$50. This late fee shall be in addition to all other fees, costs, and penalties which may be imposed pursuant to this section or section 309.57.

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**Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective the day following final enactment.

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Signed by the governor April 24, 2001, 10:12 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 46—S.F.No. 249**

*An act relating to state government; health and human services; repealing obsolete rules; repealing Minnesota Rules, parts 2500.2050; 2500.2060; 2500.2070; 4635.0100; 4635.0200.*

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

**Section 1. RULE REPEAL.**

(a) Minnesota Rules, parts 2500.2050; 2500.2060; and 2500.2070, are repealed.

(b) Minnesota Rules, parts 4635.0100 and 4635.0200, are repealed.

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Signed by the governor April 26, 2001, 10:25 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 47—H.F.No. 274**

*An act relating to the environment; restricting the sale of mercury thermometers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 116.92, subdivision 6.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 116.92, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **MERCURY THERMOMETERS PROHIBITED.** (a) A medical facility may not routinely distribute thermometers manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer may not sell or distribute at no cost a thermometer containing mercury that was manufactured after June 1, 2001.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to:

(1) an electronic thermometer with a battery containing mercury if the battery is in compliance with section 325E.125;

(2) a mercury thermometer used for food research and development or food processing, including meat, dairy products, and pet food processing;

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