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committees of its members as it deems necessary or proper in furtherance of the provisions of sections 1 to 14, and may authorize them to exercise in the intervals between commission meetings any powers of the commission except those expressly required by law to be exercised by the commission.

Approved May 26, 1971.

## CHAPTER 547-S.F.No.1823

An act relating to public assistance; providing for payment of medical assistance entirely from state funds in certain instances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256B.19, Subdivision 1.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 256B.19, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN: DIVISION OF COST. The cost of medical assistance paid by each county of financial responsibility shall be borne as follows: Payments shall be made by the state to the county for that portion of medical assistance paid by the federal government and the state on or before the 20th day of each month for the succeeding month upon requisition from the county showing the amount required for the succeeding month. The expense of assistance not paid by federal funds available for that purpose shall be shared equally by state and county ; except that where the recipient is a child who has been surrendered for adoption pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 259.25, or has been committed to the guardianship of a licensed child placing agency pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 260.241, and a bona fide dispute regarding the county of residence of the child exists, the commissioner of public welfare, pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by him, may pay the entire expense of assistance not paid by federal funds from state funds. The director of the child placing agency or his appointed agent shall be designated as the applicant for medical assistance benefits on behalf of the child.

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