

## CHAPTER 459—S.F.No. 1293

*An act relating to insurance; providing for certain group coverages to be continued; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 60A, by adding a section.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 60A, is amended by adding a section to read:

**[60A.082] GROUP INSURANCE; BENEFITS CONTINUED IF INSURER CHANGED.** A person covered under group life, group accidental death and dismemberment, group disability income or group medical expense insurance, shall not be denied benefits to which he is otherwise entitled solely because of a change in the insurance company writing the coverage or in the group contract applicable to the person. "Insurance Company" shall include a service plan corporation under chapter 62C or 62D.

The commissioner shall promulgate rules to carry out this section: Nothing in this section shall preclude an employer, union or association from reducing the level of benefits under any group insurance policy or plan.

Approved April 3, 1980

## CHAPTER 460—S.F.No. 1541

*An act relating to transportation; abolishing the functions, powers and duties of the department of transportation relating to the inspection, grading, sampling and analysis of hay and straw; clarifying laws relating to the regulation of railroads and removing obsolete and duplicative language; prescribing certain powers of the commissioner of transportation and the public service commission relating to rates and charges; requiring track scales, and regulating the weighing of railroad cars and freight; providing for railroad grade crossing safety devices and other safety devices; prescribing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 218.011, Subdivision 2; 218.021; 218.031, Subdivision 1; 218.041; 219.01; 219.08; 219.10; 219.14; 219.17; 219.19; 219.23; 219.28; 219.383, Subdivision 4; 219.39; 219.40; 219.403; 219.47; 219.50; 219.52; 219.54; 219.64; 219.70; 219.741; 219.85; 219.92; 219.97, Subdivision 7; Chapters 25, by adding sections; 219, by adding sections; and 239, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 219.02; 219.03; 219.04; 219.05; 219.07; 219.11; 219.12; 219.25; 219.43; 219.58; 219.59; 219.60; 219.61; 219.62; 219.63; 219.65; 219.66; 219.67; 219.84; 219.86; 219.87; 219.89; 219.90; 219.91; 219.94; 219.95; 219.96; 219.97, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15 and 16; 222.38; 222.39; 222.40; 222.41; 222.42; 222.43; 222.44; 222.45; 229.01; 229.02; 229.03; 229.04; 229.05; 229.06; 229.07; 229.08; 229.10; 229.11; 229.12; 229.13; 229.14; 229.15; 229.16; 229.17; 229.18; 229.19; 229.20; and 452.14.*

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