

(2) the tendering of euros in connection with any obligation in compliance with paragraph (a) or (b);

(3) the determining of the value of any obligation in compliance with paragraph (a) or (b); or

(4) the calculating or determining of the subject or medium of payment of a contract, security, or instrument with reference to the interest rate or other basis that has been substituted or replaced due to the introduction of the euro and that is a commercially reasonable substitute and substantial equivalent.

Subd. 3. **EFFECT ON AGREEMENTS.** This section does not alter or impair and is subject to any agreement between parties regarding the introduction of the euro.

Subd. 4. **APPLICATION.** (a) This section applies to all contracts, securities, and instruments, including contracts with respect to commercial transactions, and is not displaced by any other law of this state.

(b) In circumstances of currency alteration other than the introduction of the euro, this section does not create a negative inference or negative presumption regarding the validity or enforceability of contracts, securities, or instruments denominated in whole or in part in a currency affected by that alteration.

Subd. 5. **SUNSET.** This section expires on December 31, 2002.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 8, 1999

Signed by the governor April 12, 1999, 2:14 p.m.

CHAPTER 41—S.F.No. 1660

An act relating to the board of government innovation and cooperation; extending exemptions from enforcement of law granted by the board during calendar years 1996 and 1998; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 465.797, subdivision 5a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 465.797, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

Subd. 5a. **EXEMPTIONS GRANTED.** Notwithstanding subdivision 5, exemptions from enforcement of law granted by the board during calendar year 1995 remain in effect until June 30, 1999. An exemption granted by the board for Itasca county during calendar year 1996 allowing the county to implement a demonstration project to determine the feasibility of using a managed care model for financing chemical dependency treatment services remains in effect until June 30, 1999 2001. An exemption granted by the board for Dakota, Ramsey, and Washington counties during calendar year 1998 al-

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lowing the counties to forego preadmission screenings for all applicants for admission to a Medicaid certified nursing facility if the individual is being released from an in-patient hospital into a nursing facility and a physician certifies that the stay in the nursing facility is expected to be 30 days' duration or less, remains in effect until June 30, 2003. This subdivision expires June 30, 1999 2003.

Presented to the governor April 8, 1999

Signed by the governor April 12, 1999, 2:20 p.m.

CHAPTER 42—S.F.No. 1888

An act relating to highways; designating Otter Tail Veterans Memorial Drive; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 161.14, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 44. **OTTER TAIL VETERANS MEMORIAL DRIVE.** That portion of marked trunk highway No. 59 from its intersection with Otter Tail county highway No. 3 to its intersection with Otter Tail county highway No. 4, is designated "Otter Tail Veterans Memorial Drive." The commissioner shall adopt a suitable marking design to mark this highway and erect appropriate signs, subject to the provisions of section 161.139.

Presented to the governor April 8, 1999

Signed by the governor April 12, 1999, 2:21 p.m.

CHAPTER 43—S.F.No. 794

An act relating to utilities; modifying provisions of the one call excavation notice system; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 216D.06, subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 216D.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **NOTICE; REPAIR.** (a) If any damage occurs to an underground facility or its protective covering, the excavator shall notify the operator as soon as reasonably possible promptly. When the operator receives a damage notice, the operator shall promptly dispatch personnel to the damage area to investigate. If the damage results in the escape of any flammable, toxic, or corrosive gas or liquid or endangers life, health, or property, the excavator responsible for the work shall immediately notify the operator and the 911 public safety answering point, as defined in section 403.02, subdivision 5,

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