CHAPTER 62-S.F.No. 1265

An act relating to drug and alcohol testing; modifying provisions related to professional athletes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 181.955, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 181.955, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. **Professional athletes.** Sections 181.950 to 181.954 shall not be construed to interfere with the operation of a drug and alcohol testing program if:

(1) the drug and alcohol testing program is permitted under a contract between the employer and employees; and

(2) the covered employees are employed as professional athletes.

<u>Upon request of the commissioner of labor and industry, the exclusive representative</u> of the employees and the employer shall certify to the commissioner of labor and industry that the drug and alcohol testing program permitted under the contract should operate without interference from the sections specified in this subdivision. This subdivision must not be construed to create an exemption from controlled substance crimes in chapter 152.

Presented to the governor May 23, 2011

Signed by the governor May 24, 2011, 2:26 p.m.