CHAPTER 157-S. F. No. 399

An act defining and relating to narcotic drugs and to amend Laws of 1937, Chapter 74, Section 8.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Laws of 1937, Chapter 74, Section 8, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 8. Application of act.—Except as otherwise in this act specifically provided, this act shall not apply to the following cases:

Administering, dispensing, or selling at retail of any medicinal preparation that contains in one fluid ounce, or if a solid or semi-solid preparation, in one avoirdupois ounce, not more than one grain of codeine or of any of its salts.

The exemptions authorized by this section shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That the medicinal preparation administered, dispensed, or sold, shall contain in addition to the narcotic drug in it, some drug or drugs conferring upon it medicinal qualities other than those possessed by the narcotic drug alone.
- (b) That such preparation shall be administered, dispensed, and sold in good faith as a medicine, and not for the purpose of evading the provisions of this act.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the quantity of codeine or of any of its salts that may be prescribed, administered, dispensed, or sold, to any person or for the use of any person or animal, when it is prescribed, administered, dispensed, or sold in compliance with the general provisions of this act.

(c) No person shall administer, dispense or sell, under the exemption of this section, any preparation included within this section, when he knows, or can by reasonable diligence ascertain, that such administering, dispensing or selling will provide the person to whom or for whose use such preparation is administered, dispensed or sold, within any 48 consecutive hours, with more than six grains of codeine or any of its salts."

Approved April 9, 1941.