

Sec. 15. **Act not restrictive.**—Nothing in this act shall be construed to limit or restrict the issuance of bonds for any purpose authorized by law, nor the expenditure of funds therefrom.

Approved April 10, 1941.

CHAPTER 213—H. F. No. 279

An act relating to transportation of motor vehicles.

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

Section 1. Certain transportation companies must have drive-a-way in transit license.—Any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of transporting motor vehicles, not his own, by delivering, by drive-way or towing methods, either singly or by means of the full method, the saddle mount method, the tow bar method, or any other combination thereof, and under their own power, new vehicles over the highways of the state of Minnesota from the manufacturer or any other point or origin, to any point of destination, within or without the state of Minnesota, shall make application to the registrar of motor vehicles for a drive-a-way in transit license. This application for annual license shall be accompanied by a registration fee of \$250.00 and shall contain such information as the registrar of motor vehicles may require. Upon the filing of the application and the payment of the fee, the registrar of motor vehicles shall issue to each drive-a-way operator a general distinguishing number, which number must be carried and displayed by each motor vehicle in like manner as is now provided by law for vehicles while being operated upon public highways and such number shall remain on the vehicle from the manufacturer, or any point of origin, to any point of destination within or beyond the state of Minnesota. Additional plates bearing the same distinguishing number desired by any drive-a-way operator may be secured from the registrar of motor vehicles upon the payment of a fee of two dollars for each set of additional license plates. Any person, firm or corporation engaging in the business as a drive-a-way operator of transporting and delivering by means of full mount method, the saddle mount method, the towbar method, or any combination thereof, and under their own power, new motor

vehicles, who fails or refuses to file or cause to be filed an application, as is required by law, and to pay the fees therefor as the law requires, shall be found guilty of violating the provisions of this act and upon conviction be fined not less than \$50.00, and not more than \$100.00 and all costs of court. Each day so operating without securing the license and plates as required herein shall constitute a separate offense within the meaning of this act.

Sec. 2. **Shall file liability insurance policy.**—Any person as hereinbefore defined pulling or towing any vehicle designed, equipped or intended to operate under its own power, said pulling or towing being accomplished by another vehicle when operating upon any public highway of the state of Minnesota, shall before such pulling or towing, file with the registrar of motor vehicles a liability insurance policy or bond covering public liability and property damage, issued by some insurance or bonding company, or insurance carrier authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota, which policy or bond shall be approved by the registrar of motor vehicles and shall be for not less than \$10,000 for public liability and not less than \$5,000 for property damage.

Sec. 3. **Shall use safety chains—limit of speed.**—In pulling or towing such motor vehicles, at least two safety chains shall be used in addition to tow bars and all sets shall be not less than 500 feet apart and no person shall operate such vehicle in excess of 35 miles per hour.

Sec. 4. **Violation a misdemeanor.**—Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The provisions of this act shall not apply where such vehicle is being towed as a temporary movement for the purpose of making repairs, or for the purpose of pulling or towing such vehicle from one point to another point for the purpose of making repairs, or on repossessed cars being towed by an agent or employee of any person or bona fide finance company in the state of Minnesota where such towing is incidental to the repossession of such vehicles.

Sec. 5. **Fees to be paid into state treasury.**—All fees derived from this act shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the trunk highway sinking fund.

Approved April 14, 1941.