

ment, and where such payments consisted of the full amount of the installment due with accrued interest, said payments are hereby legalized and made valid to the extent that they would have been legal if paid within the time specified in said repurchase agreements.

Approved March 26, 1951.

CHAPTER 125—H. F. No. 738

[Coded as Section 600.135]

An act relating to records, providing for the admission in evidence of photographic and other reproductions of records, for the destruction of original records so reproduced, and repealing inconsistent acts.

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

[600.135] **Photographic copies of business and public records.** Section 1. Subdivision 1. **Records; destruction, photographic copies.** If any business, institution, member of a profession or calling, or any department or agency of government, in the regular course of business or activity has kept or recorded any memorandum, writing, entry, print, representation or combination thereof, of any act, transaction, occurrence or event, and in the regular course of business has caused any or all of the same to be recorded, copied or reproduced by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, microcard, miniature photographic, or other process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, the original may be destroyed in the regular course of business unless held in a custodial or fiduciary capacity or unless its preservation is required by law. Such reproduction, when satisfactorily identified, is as admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding whether the original is in existence or not and an enlargement or facsimile of such reproduction is likewise admissible in evidence if the original reproduction is in existence and available for inspection under direction of court. The introduction of a reproduced record, enlargement or facsimile, does not preclude admission of the original.

Sec. 2. Subd. 2. **In the regular course of business.** The phrase "in the regular course of business" as used in section 1 of this act with reference to making reproductions and also with reference to destroying an original shall be construed to include reproducing at any time and destroying at any time, respectively, if done in good faith and without intent to defraud. The manner in which an original is destroyed, whether voluntarily or by casualty or otherwise, shall not affect the admissibility of a reproduction.

Sec. 3. Subd. 3. **Uniform.** This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate its general purpose of making uniform the law of those states which enact it.

Sec. 4. Subd. 4. **Citation.** This act may be cited as the Uniform Photographic Copies of Business and Public Records as Evidence Act.

Sec. 5. All acts or parts of acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 24, 1951.

CHAPTER 126—H. F. No. 767

An act for the promotion of safety or travel, minimizing of accidents on public highways, and relating to the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and drivers of motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 170.25, Subdivision 3.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 170.25, Subdivision 3, is amended to read as follows:

170.25 Subd. 3. No such policy or bond shall be effective under this section unless issued by an insurance carrier or surety company authorized to do business in this state, except that if such motor vehicle was not registered in this state, or was a motor vehicle which was registered elsewhere than in this state at the effective date of the policy or bond,