cordance with applicable statutes and the rules and regulations for utilities on trunk highways.

Approved April 27, 1967.

CHAPTER 232-S. F. No. 484

An act relating to powers of the commissioner of highways; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 161.32, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 161.32, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Highways; contracts; direct negotiation. In cases where the estimated cost of construction work or maintenance work does not exceed \$5,000 \$25,000, the commissioner may enter into a contract for such work by direct negotiation, by obtaining two or more quotations for such work, and without advertising for bids or otherwise complying with the requirements of competitive bidding; provided, however, the total contractual obligation of the state for any and all directly negotiated contract or contracts on any single project shall not exceed \$5,000 \$25,000. All quotations obtained shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after receipt thereof.

Approved April 27, 1967.

CHAPTER 233-S. F. No. 624

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An act relating to powers of the commissioner of highways; authorizing the commissioner to enter into an agreement for the moving, protection, and storage of objects of art.

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

Section 1. Highways; Walker Foundation; moving art objects. The commissioner of highways is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with T. B. Walker Foundation, Inc., or its representatives for the moving, storage, and protection of objects of art when in his

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opinion such objects may be damaged as a consequence of highway construction and the state may be faced with legislative claims or the contractors' bids on such job are likely to be higher by virtue of such possible damage claims against the contractor. The commissioner may enter into such a contract by direct negotiation, and without advertising for bids or otherwise complying with the requirements of competitive bidding; providing, however, the total contractual obligation of the state upon such negotiated contract shall not exceed \$20,000.

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CHAPTER 234-S. F. No. 715

An act relating to the safety responsibility act; excluding certain drivers from the provisions of the act; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 170.25, Subdivision 2.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 170.25, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Safety responsibility; excluded drivers.** This section shall not apply under the conditions stated in section 170.26 or to any of the following:
- (1) To such driver or owner if such owner had in effect at the time of such accident an automobile liability policy with respect to the motor vehicle involved in such accident, affording substantially the same coverage as is required for proof of financial responsibility under this chapter;
- (2) To such driver, if not the owner of such motor vehicle, if there was in effect at the time of such accident an automobile liability policy or bond with respect to his operation of motor vehicles, affording substantially the same coverage as is required for proof of financial responsibility under this chapter.;
- (3) To such driver or owner if the liability of such driver or owner for damages resulting from such accident is, in the judgment of the commissioner, covered by any other form of liability insurance policy or bond; of
- (4) To the driver or owner of any motor vehicle if such owner is at the time of such accident qualified as a self-insurer under section 170.52; or

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