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EXTRA SESSION

CHAPTER 1—S. F. No. 3

[Coded]

An act relating to the organization and administration of the state government; establishing a division of workmen's compensation and a department of labor and industry; reappropriating money in connection therewith.

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

Section 1. **[175.001] Labor and industry; reorganization of state agency.** Subdivision 1. **Creation and organization.** The department of labor and industry is created under the supervision and control of the commissioner of labor and industry which office is hereby established. The commissioner of labor and industry shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate for a four year term. A vacancy in the office of the commissioner shall be filled by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, for the unexpired portion of the term in which the vacancy occurs.

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Subd. 2. **Oath.** The commissioner before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take the oath prescribed by law.

Subd. 3. **Governor may remove.** The governor may at any time remove a commissioner for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office, but before removal he shall be furnished with a copy of the charges against him and have an opportunity to be heard in defense.

Subd. 4. **Delegation of powers, duties, responsibilities.** Subject to his control and under such conditions as he may prescribe, the commissioner may delegate any of his powers, duties, and responsibilities to an employee of his department. Appointments to exercise delegated power shall be by written order filed with the secretary of state.

Subd. 5. **Powers and duties.** Subject to the provisions of this act relating to workmen's compensation all of the powers, duties and functions vested in or imposed upon the industrial commission immediately prior to the effective date of this act, are transferred to, vested in, and imposed upon the department of labor and industry.

Sec. 2. **[175.002] Transfer of proceedings.** Any claim, action, proceeding or other business or matter undertaken or commenced prior to the passage of this act by a department, the functions and powers and duties whereof are by this act assigned and transferred to another department and which is pending at the time of the passage of this act, may be conducted and completed by the new department in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions and with the same effect as though it were undertaken or commenced and conducted or completed by the former department prior to said transfer.

Sec. 3. **[175.003] Transfer of employees.** All persons in the classified service employed by a department the functions, powers and duties of which are transferred by this act to another department, are hereby transferred to such other department without loss to the employee of any rights the employee may have acquired by reason of his employment at the time of the transfer.

Sec. 4. **[175.004] Unexpended money, reallocation.** All unexpended funds appropriated to the department of labor and industry and industrial commission for the purposes of its functions, powers, or duties as heretofore administered by the industrial commission, shall be allocated by the commissioner of administration between the department of workmen's compensation and the de-

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partment of labor and industry as established by this act, and the funds so allocated are reappropriated therefor.

Sec. 5. [175.005] Abolition of former department of labor and industry and industrial commission. The department of labor and industry and the industrial commission as heretofore constituted are abolished and all of the now existing powers, duties and functions are transferred, vested, and imposed as provided by this act.

Sec. 6. [175.006] Correction of statutes. In the next and subsequent editions of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall make such changes in terminology as may be necessary to record the functions, powers, or duties which are transferred by this act from a department to another.

Sec. 7. [175.007] Division of workmen's compensation. Subdivision 1. **Creation and organization.** The division of workmen's compensation is created within the department under the supervision and control of a commission to be known as the workmen's compensation commission of Minnesota, hereinafter called the commission. The commission shall be composed of three commissioners learned in the law. Each commissioner shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, for a term of six years and until his successor is duly appointed and qualifies. The members of the industrial commission as now created shall be the members of the workmen's compensation commission until the expiration of the terms for which they have been appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in the commission shall be filled by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate, for the unexpired portion of the term in which the vacancy occurs.

Subd. 2. Oath; chairman. Each commissioner shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office. The commissioner whose term first expires shall be the chairman. Each commissioner before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take the oath prescribed by law.

Subd. 3. Governor may remove. The governor may at any time remove a commissioner for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office, but before removal he shall be furnished with a copy of the charges against him and have an opportunity to be heard in defense.

Subd. 4. Powers and duties. The powers and duties and functions vested in or imposed upon the industrial commission immediately prior to the effective date of this act, by Minnesota Statutes 1965, Chapter 176, and other applicable laws relating to work-

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men's compensation and by Minnesota Statutes 1965, Sections 251.041 to 251.053 and any act amendatory thereof; are transferred to, vested in, and imposed upon the workmen's compensation commission.

Sec. 8. Except as otherwise provided herein this act is in force and effect on and after July 1, 1967.

Approved May 27, 1967.

EXTRA SESSION
CHAPTER 2—S. F. No. 6

[Coded]

An act relating to insurance; regulating credit life and accident and health insurance; providing penalties for violations.

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

Section 1. **[62B.01] Credit life and accident and health insurance; scope.** All life insurance and accident and health insurance in connection with loan or other credit transactions shall be subject to the provisions of this act, except insurance in connection with a loan or other credit transaction of more than five years duration. Insurance shall not be subject to the provisions of this act where its issuance is an isolated transaction on the part of the insurer not related to an agreement or a plan for insuring debtors of the creditor. Credit life and accident and health insurance provided at no additional cost to the borrower shall not be subject to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. **[62B.02] Definitions.** Subdivision 1. For the purpose of this act the following terms have the meanings given to them in this section.

Subd. 2. "Credit life insurance" means insurance on the life of a debtor pursuant to or in connection with a specific loan or other credit transaction.

Subd. 3. "Credit accident and health insurance" means insurance on a debtor to provide indemnity for payments becoming due on a specific loan or other credit transaction while the debtor is disabled as defined in the policy.

Subd. 4. "Creditor" means the lender of money or vendor or lessor of goods, services, or property, rights or privileges, for which payment is arranged through a credit transaction, or successor to the

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