

years ending June 30, 1970 and June 30, 1971, for markers and for directional and identification signs to be erected or placed at or near state historic sites.

Approved June 4, 1969.

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CHAPTER 957—H. F. No. 2621

[Coded in Part]

*An act relating to the operation of state government; providing for the publication of certain legislative publications by the office of the revisor of statutes; providing for the expenditure of funds by that office and reappropriating certain moneys; amending Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 16, by adding a section; and Sections 16.02, Subdivision 13; 482.07, Subdivisions 1 and 4; 648.31, Subdivision 1; 648.32; 648.41, Subdivision 2, as amended; and 648.42; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 482.07, Subdivision 6 and Section 482.15.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 482.07, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**482.07 Revisor of statutes; printing, publication, and distribution of session laws.** Subdivision 1. As soon as practicable after the adjournment of each session of the legislature the laws and joint resolutions passed thereat shall be published by the ~~commissioner of administration~~ *revisor of statutes* with suitable headnotes and an alphabetical index confined to the subject matter of the volume. The revisor of statutes shall prepare ~~and deliver to the commissioner of administration~~ *the appropriate printer's copy* therefor. For each special law for which the certificate of local approval required by section 645.021 has been filed with the secretary of state before the printer's copy is prepared, the published volume shall give the date of filing. Commencing in 1961, the published volume containing the special laws shall include a table giving the approval date for all special laws adopted during the biennium ending on the previous December 31.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 482.07, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. The ~~commissioner of administration~~ *revisor of statutes*

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*utes shall determine the number of copies of the session laws to be printed and the terms of distribution and disposal thereof. The documents section of the department of administration shall make the distribution and disposition of the session laws as requested by the revisor of statutes.*

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 16.02, Subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. To provide for the printing and distribution of ~~the session laws~~; the capitol guide book, official reports, and other publications of all kinds, and to supervise and control the form of such reports and publications so as to coordinate them, avoid duplications, and make them useful and informative to the public.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 648.31, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**648.31 Biennial publication.** Subdivision 1. **Revisor to prepare copy.** Immediately after the end of the biennial session of the Legislature in 1947 and each biennial session thereafter, the revisor of statutes shall prepare ~~and deliver to the commissioner of administration~~ printer's copy for a volume to be called "Minnesota Statutes," appending thereto the year of such biennial session, which shall contain the constitution of the United States, the constitution of this state, all general and permanent statutes in force, an alphabetical index, a table showing the terms of the district courts, and such other information as the revisor of statutes deems desirable and practicable. The decimal system of numbering of sections contained in Minnesota Statutes 1945 shall be continued in all future editions of Minnesota Statutes, except that the use of alphabetical letters in addition to the decimal numbers is permitted. *The form and style of Minnesota Statutes may be changed in such manner as is necessary to improve its quality and to permit the use of electronic data processing equipment, computer compatible media, and other related equipment in connection with its publication.*

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 648.32, is amended to read:

**648.32 Printing; certificate by revisor.** Upon ~~delivery completion~~ of such printer's copy, the ~~commissioner of administration~~ *revisor of statutes* shall print and deliver, as soon as possible, an edition sufficient to supply the demand. After making the necessary comparison, the revisor shall annex, at the end of one copy of each edition, which shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state as a public record, his certificate certifying that he has compared each printed

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section therein with the original section of the statutes or with the original section contained in the enrolled act from which the section was derived, together with all amendments of such original section and that all sections appear to be correctly printed. All other copies of the edition shall contain a printed copy of such certificate.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 648.42, is amended to read:

648.42 **Sale.** *At the request of the revisor of statutes the commissioner of administration ~~may~~ shall sell the Minnesota Statutes to the state or any political subdivision thereof or to any person at the estimated cost thereof, which shall not include any cost of revision nor the original cost of the metal type, matrices, electrotpe or stereotpe plates, or the cost of storage thereof.*

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 648.41, Subdivision 2, as added by Laws 1969, Chapter 45, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Subject to the availability of legislative appropriation, the ~~commissioner of administration~~ *revisor of statutes* may contract for the preparation and printing of Minnesota Statutes by means of electronic data processing equipment including, but not limited to, computers. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 16, as they relate to competitive bidding shall not apply to such contracts.

Sec. 8. *All moneys appropriated to the commissioner of administration for the publication of Minnesota Statutes and Session Laws, including the revolving fund contained in Minnesota Statutes, Section 648.45, and the appropriation for placing Minnesota Statutes on computer compatible media as made by Laws 1969, Chapter 44, or under any other laws now or hereafter in force and effect relating to the subject matters expressed in this act, are hereby reappropriated to the revisor of statutes for the same uses and purposes as expressed in the initial appropriation.*

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 16, is amended by adding a section to read:

[16.172] *The office of revisor of statutes not being in the executive branch of the state government, the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 16, relating to departments and agencies in the executive branch are inapplicable to that office, including but not limited to allotment and encumbrance procedures prescribed by section 16.16, contract signing and approval requirements prescribed by sections 16.09 and 16.10, and rules and regulations of the department of administration prescribed pursuant to section 16.02, or any other law.*

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Sec. 10. *Minnesota Statutes 1967, Section 482.07, Subdivision 6 and Section 482.15 are repealed.*

Sec. 11. *This act is in effect from and after its final enactment.*

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CHAPTER 958—H. F. No. 2848

[Coded]

*An act relating to insurance; regulating the business of insurance to provide for greater competition in insurance rates and prohibiting price-fixing agreements among insurers; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1967, Chapter 70.*

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

Section 1. [70A.01] **Insurance; rates; construction and purposes.** Subdivision 1. This chapter shall be liberally construed to achieve the purposes stated in subd. 2, which shall constitute an aid and guide to interpretation but not an independent source of power.

Subd. 2. The purposes of this chapter are:

(a) To protect policyholders and the public against the adverse effects of excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory rates;

(b) To encourage, as the most effective way to produce rates that conform to the standards of par. (a), independent action by and reasonable price competition among insurers;

(c) To provide formal regulatory controls for use if independent action and price competition fail;

(d) To authorize cooperative action among insurers in the rate-making process, and to regulate such cooperation in order to prevent practices that tend to bring about monopoly or to lessen or destroy competition;

(e) To encourage efficient and economic practices.

Sec. 2. [70A.02] **Scope of application.** Subdivision 1. **Forms of insurance to which applicable.** This chapter applies to casualty insurance, to fidelity, surety and guaranty bonds, to fire

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