

**CHAPTER 309—H.F.No.1490**

*An act relating to highway traffic regulations; transferring certain powers from the department of highways to the department of public safety; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.221, Subdivision 6.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.221, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; BICYCLES; APPROVAL OF REFLECTOR TYPE.** (a) Every bicycle when in use at nighttime shall be equipped with a lamp on the front which shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and with a red reflector on the rear of a type approved by the department of public safety which is visible from all distances from 50 feet to 300 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle. A lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear may be used in addition to the red reflector.

(b) Every bicycle shall be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make the braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

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**CHAPTER 310—H.F.No.1520**

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*An act relating to Ramsey county; transferring the functions of the auditor, treasurer, court commissioner and register of deeds to the county board of commissioners; and authorizing the reorganization, reallocation, consolidation, or delegation of such functions.*

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

Section 1. **RAMSEY COUNTY; REORGANIZATION OF COUNTY OFFICES.** In the county of Ramsey the offices of county auditor, county treasurer, court commissioner, and register of deeds shall not be elective but shall be filled by appointment by the Ramsey

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county board of commissioners as hereinafter provided, unless such office is hereafter abolished pursuant to a reorganization or consolidation under section 2.

Sec. 2. The duties, functions and responsibilities which have been heretofore and which shall be hereafter required by statute to be performed by the various elected officials whose offices are by this act made appointive shall be vested in and performed by the board of commissioners of Ramsey county through department heads appointed by the board for that purpose. Any such department head shall be in the unclassified service as defined by Laws 1941, Chapter 513, as amended. The board of commissioners of Ramsey county shall have the authority to initiate and direct any reorganization, consolidation, reallocation or delegation of such duties, functions, or responsibilities for the purpose of promoting efficiency in county government, and may make such other administrative changes, including the abolishing of the offices of auditor, treasurer and register of deeds or the transfer of personnel, as are deemed necessary for this purpose. Such reorganization, reallocation or delegation or other administrative change or transfer shall not diminish, prohibit or avoid those specific duties required by statute to be performed by those officials whose office is now made appointive.

Sec. 3. The presently elected county auditor, county treasurer, court commissioner, and register of deeds shall serve as the head of any department created by the county board of commissioners to perform the functions formerly performed by his office and shall serve until his term of office expires; or upon the expiration of his present term until his successor is appointed and duly qualifies; and shall not prior to age 70 be disqualified from reappointment by reason of age.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective upon its approval by the board of county commissioners of Ramsey county, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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## CHAPTER 311—H.F.No.1620

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*An act relating to the town of Gnesen in the county of St. Louis; conferring certain village powers on said town.*

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