

~~\$170,000,000~~ but less than ~~\$140,000,000~~ \$200,000,000 ; or one tenth of one percent if the fund is ~~\$140,000,000~~ \$200,000,000 or more; provided that no employer shall have a contribution rate of more than 4 ⁵/₁₀ percent.

Approved June 7, 1971.

CHAPTER 861—S.F.No.694

An act relating to waters and watercraft safety; regulating the use of marine toilets; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 361.29 and 361.24, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 361.29, is amended to read:

361.29 WATERS AND WATERCRAFT SAFETY; MARINE TOILETS. Subdivision 1. (a) For the purposes of this section the term "watercraft" has the meaning given to it by section 361.02, subdivision 7, and acts amendatory thereof. (b) No person owning or operating a watercraft or other marine conveyance upon the waters of the state of Minnesota as designated by the pollution control agency shall use, operate or permit the use or operation of any marine toilet or similar device for the disposition of sewage or other wastes, unless the marine toilet is equipped with a treatment device of a type acceptable to toilet wastes are retained for disposition on land by means of facilities constructed and operated in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the state board of health and approved by the pollution control agency of the state of Minnesota. No person shall discharge into the waters of this state, directly or indirectly from a watercraft or other marine conveyance, any ~~untreated~~ sewage or other wastes, nor shall any container of ~~untreated~~ sewage or other wastes be placed, left, discharged, or caused to be placed, left or discharged ~~in or near into~~ any waters of this state ~~from a watercraft in such manner or quantity as to create a nuisance or health hazard or pollution of such waters,~~ by any person or persons at any time, whether or not the owner, operator, guest or occupant of a watercraft or other marine conveyance. All toilets must be sealed or otherwise rendered inoperative so that no human or other waste can be discharged from such toilet into state waters.

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Subd. 2. The Minnesota pollution control agency shall upon request furnish a list of the types of ~~treatment retention~~ devices currently available and considered acceptable for the purposes of this section for use with such marine toilets. The commissioner of natural resources shall furnish the sheriff of each county in the state of Minnesota with a list of such ~~treatment retention~~ facilities acceptable to the pollution control agency of the state of Minnesota.

Subd. 3. ~~On and after April 1, 1966,~~ No watercraft or other marine conveyance upon the waters of the state of Minnesota shall be equipped with any marine toilet unless also equipped with a ~~treatment retention~~ device acceptable to the pollution control agency of the state of Minnesota; ~~provided, however, that this requirement shall not be applicable to watercraft exempt from licensing under section 361.03, subdivision 12.~~

~~Subd. 4. Any treatment device designed for use with a marine toilet, if in good working condition and of a type acceptable to the pollution control agency of the state of Minnesota, is presumed to comply with requirements of this section. In addition to the treatment devices which may be listed by the pollution control agency as being acceptable for use on watercraft licensed by the state of Minnesota, any other treatment device which has been formally accepted by another state or national agency for use on watercraft upon waters over which such other agency has jurisdiction for water pollution control purposes shall be considered acceptable by the pollution control agency of the state of Minnesota for use on watercraft which are lawfully exempt from licensing in Minnesota under the provisions of section 361.03, subdivision 12, while such watercraft are upon any internal or boundary waters of the state of Minnesota provided that such other treatment device must be in good working condition.~~

Subd. 5.4. The installation or presence of a marine toilet in a watercraft shall be indicated by the owner upon application for licensing of the watercraft or marine conveyance, and no license for any such watercraft bearing a marine toilet shall be issued except upon certification by the owner of the installation of an acceptable treatment retention device for use with such marine toilet.

Subd. 5. The provisions of subdivisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this section shall not apply until December 31, 1975 to watercraft that were equipped with treatment devices approved by the pollution control agency prior to the effective date of this act, so long as such equipment continues to operate in accordance with its design capability. Notwithstanding this provision, the agency shall by administrative order require such watercraft to commence use of retention facilities pursuant to this act where it determines that conditions necessitate such action.

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Subd. 6. A person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

The requirement of retention facilities imposed by this act is effective on the Minnesota-Wisconsin boundary waters of the Mississippi and St. Croix Rivers on January 1, 1972, and on other waters of the state of Minnesota on January 1, 1973. Until those dates this section is satisfied by meeting either the requirement of retention facilities imposed by this act or the requirement of treatment facilities under Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 361.29.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 361.24, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

361.24 DUTIES OF SHERIFFS, CONSERVATION OFFICERS, AND COUNTY BOARDS. Subdivision 1. It shall be the duty of the sheriff of each county and conservation officers of the department of natural resources to enforce the provisions of sections 361.01 to ~~361.28~~ 361.29. It shall be the duty of the sheriff of each county to maintain a program of search, rescue, posting and patrol, and inspection of watercraft for hire. He shall prohibit the use of any watercraft for hire which does not comply with the standards of safety for such watercraft which the commissioner shall prescribe. He shall investigate all watercraft accidents and drownings and report his findings to the commissioner in such form as the commissioner shall prescribe. The county board may authorize the employment of such additional personnel as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Approved June 7, 1971.

CHAPTER 862—S.F.No.870

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to state scholarships and grants-in-aid program to be administered by the higher education coordinating commission; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 136A, by adding sections; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 136A.095, 136A.10, 136A.11, 136A.12, and 136A.13 and Laws 1969, Chapter 1144.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 136A, is amended by adding a section to read:

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