

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Laws 1975, Chapter 341, Section 6, is amended to read:

Sec. 6. **FLAME RESISTANT TENTS AND SLEEPING BAGS; EFFECTIVE DATE.** Section 3 is effective the day following its final enactment. Sections 1, 2, 4, ~~and 5,~~ and the first sentence of section 2 are effective January 1, 1977. The second and third sentences of section 2 are effective October 1, 1977.

Approved April 6, 1977.

CHAPTER 14—S.F.No.201

An act relating to crimes; prohibiting devices intended to be used to avoid payment of long distance telecommunications services; prescribing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 609.785.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 609.785, is amended to read:

609.785 **CRIMES; TELECOMMUNICATIONS; FRAUDULENT LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS.** Subdivision 1. Whoever obtains long distance telephone service by intentionally requesting of the operator that the cost thereof be charged charging the cost thereof to a false or non-existent telephone or credit card number or to the telephone or credit card number of another without his authority may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to payment of a fine of not more than \$300, or both, when the value of the telephone service obtained is not more than \$100; and by imprisonment for not more than five years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both, if the value of the telephone service obtained in a single transaction, or in separate transactions within any six month period, is more than \$100.

Subd. 2. Whoever willfully makes, assembles or possesses any electronic, mechanical or other device having reason to know that it is intended to be used and that its design renders it primarily useful to avoid payment of lawful charges for long distance telecommunications services, in whole or in part, or whoever sells, gives, or otherwise transfers to another, such a device, or offers or advertises such a device for sale, or advertises or offers, for a monetary consideration, plans or component parts for the purpose of making or assembling such a device, having reason to know it is intended to be used unlawfully, or whoever, by use of such a device, obtains or attempts to obtain long distance telecommunications services, may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than three years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

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