

payments to the contractor or subcontractor that submitted the value engineering proposal, by an amount equal to one-half of the amount of direct and immediate net savings under the contract resulting from the adoption of the value engineering proposal.

Sec. 4. [174.17] EVALUATION OF VALUE ENGINEERING PROPOSALS.

Subdivision 1. After receipt of a value engineering proposal and supporting documents, the commissioner of transportation shall investigate and analyze the value engineering proposal, estimate the amount of the direct and immediate net savings in terms of construction project contract costs which would result upon adoption of the value engineering proposal.

Subd. 2. Subject to the provisions of sections 2 to 4 and the provisions of any other applicable law, if the commissioner of transportation determines, based upon the reports and recommendations of his department, that adoption of a value engineering proposal will result in direct and immediate savings in the construction project contract costs, the commissioner shall approve and authorize the adoption of the implementing supplemental agreement and the supplemental agreement shall be processed and adopted as otherwise provided by law.

Sec. 5. This act is effective July 1, 1977.

Approved May 25, 1977.

CHAPTER 252—S.F.No.558

An act relating to game and fish; authorizing the trapping of the great horned owl in certain instances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 100.29, Subdivision 32.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 100.29, Subdivision 32, is amended to read:

Subd. 32. **GAME AND FISH; GREAT HORNED OWL; TRAPPING.** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take any bird by setting or operating a steel jaw leg-hold trap mounted on a pole, post, tree stump, or any other elevated perch more than three feet above the ground; provided that nothing contained herein shall prohibit the taking of the great horned owl from April 1 to October 15 inclusively, by means of a padded jaw trap as prescribed by the commissioner, mounted at any height which is constructed and set so that the trapped owl may rest on the ground, by a person who is licensed to operate a private game farm pursuant to section 99.27 and who also possesses a permit to take this bird issued by federal authorities pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 704; provided further that uninjured birds shall be released alive and that injured birds receive appropriate veterinary treatment.

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following final enactment.

Approved May 25, 1977.

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