CHAPTER 279-H.F.No.817

An act relating to highway traffic regulations; weight limitations; providing that weight increases for haulers of raw and unfinished forest products shall be statewide during certain periods; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.83, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.83, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.83 TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; WEIGHT LIMITATIONS; FOREST PRODUCTS. Subdivision 1. PNEUMATIC-TIRED VEHICLES. No vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires shall be operated upon the highways of this state:

- 1. Where the gross weight on any wheel exceeds 9,000 pounds;
- 2. Where the gross weight on any single axle exceeds 18,000 pounds;
- 3. This limitation shall be increased statewide by 20 percent from January 1 through March 7 each winter for haulers of raw and unfinished forest products in the following specified zone of the state; where frost conditions are most constant and of longest durations: The zone is bounded as follows: Beginning at Pigeon River, in the northeast corner of Minnesota; thence, in a southwesterly direction along the north shore of Lake Superior to the Minnesota-Wisconsin border; thence, southerly along this border to Trunk Highway No. 48: thence westerly along Trunk Highway No. 48 to Interstate Highway No: 35; thence southerly along Interstate Highway No: 35 to Trunk Highway No. 23; thence southwesterly along Trunk Highway No. 23 to Trunk Highway No. 52 and Interstate Highway No. 94; thence northwesterly along said highways to Trunk Highway No. 29; thence northerly along Trunk Highway No. 29 to Trunk Highway No. 210; thence westerly along Trunk Highway No. 210 to Trunk Highway No. 108; thence northwesterly along Trunk Highway No. 108 to Trunk Highway No. 78; thence northerly along Trunk Highway No. 78 to Trunk Highway No. 10; thence northwesterly along Trunk Highway No. 10 to Trunk Highway No. 59; thence northerly along Trunk Highway No. 59 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 2; thence, westerly along Trunk Highway No. 2 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 32; thence, northerly along Trunk Highway No. 32 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 11; thence; northeast along Trunk Highway No: 11 to the east line of Range 43 W. to the Minnesota-Canadian Border: thence, easterly along said Border to Lake Superior; and further, this 20 percent increase is authorized from December 1 through December 31 each winter for haulers of raw and unfinished forest products, subject to limitation by order of the commissioner of transportation, in that part of the above zone bounded as follows: Beginning at Pigeon River in the northeast corner of Minnesota; thence in a southwesterly direction along the north shore of Lake Superior along Trunk Highway No. 61 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 210; thence westerly along Trunk Highway No. 210 to the junction with

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Trunk Highway No. 10; thence northwesterly along Trunk Highway No. 10 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 59; thence northerly along Trunk Highway No. 59 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 2; thence westerly along Trunk Highway No. 2 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 32; thence northerly along Trunk Highway No. 32 to the junction with Trunk Highway No. 11; thence northeast along Trunk Highway No. 11 to the east line of Range 43W to the Minnesota-Canadian Border; thence easterly along said Border to Lake Superior.

In all cases where gross weights in an amount less than in this subdivision set forth are fixed, limited or restricted on any highway or bridge by or pursuant to any other section of this chapter such lesser gross weight as so fixed, limited or restricted shall not be exceeded and in such case shall control instead of the gross weight in this subdivision set forth.

Approved May 26, 1977.

CHAPTER 280—H.F.No.829

An act relating to landlord and tenant; establishing period for which interest is payable on security deposit; providing a measure of damages for the improper withholding of security deposits and the improper withholding of rent payments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 504.20, Subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 7 and 7a.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 504.20, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. LANDLORD AND TENANT; SECURITY DEPOSIT; INTEREST. Any such deposit of money shall not be considered received in a fiduciary capacity within the meaning of section 82.17, subdivision 7, but shall be held by the landlord for the tenant who is party to such the agreement and shall bear simple interest at the rate of five percent per annum noncompounded, computed from the first day of the next month following the full payment of such the deposit to the last day of the month of termination of the tenancy in which the landlord, in good faith, complies with the requirements of subdivision 3 or to the date upon which judgment is entered in any civil action involving the landlord's liability for the deposit, whichever date is earlier. Any interest amount less than \$1 shall be excluded from the provisions of this section.
 - Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 504.20, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Every landlord shall, within two three weeks after termination of the tenancy and receipt of the tenant's mailing address or delivery instructions, return such the deposit to the tenant, with interest thereon as above provided, or furnish to the tenant a written statement showing the specific reason for the withholding of the deposit or any portion thereof. It shall be sufficient compliance with the time requirement of this

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