

Section 1. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the town board of the town of Little Falls or Belle Prairie in Morrison county may, upon petition of 60 percent or more of the property owners in an area designated in the town by the petition, provide for road and street lighting in the area. The petition shall be filed with the town clerk, and shall be acted upon at the next meeting of the town board having jurisdiction over the affected area. The petition shall contain at least the following information:

- (1) A description of the property to be included in the designated area.
- (2) A request that the cost of electrical service be shared equally or as specified by all property owners of the designated area.

Sec. 2. The town of Little Falls may contract for the installation and maintenance of road and street lighting approved pursuant to section 1 of this act. The town may also contract for the provision of electrical service for road and street lighting in the designated area.

Sec. 3. The town board may contract with benefitted property owners, as provided in the petition, for the reimbursement of electrical service costs incurred by the town in the designated area. The costs for installation and maintenance of road and street lighting shall be assessed against the property owners in the designated area, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 429.

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon approval by the town board of the town of Little Falls or Belle Prairie and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 16, 1978.

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**CHAPTER 493-S.F.No.1713**

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*An act relating to the city of Minneapolis; providing for the extended assignment of city employees to the riverfront development coordination board.*

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

Section 1. **THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; EMPLOYEES.** The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 15.53, Subdivision 2, insofar as they restrict the period of individual assignment or detail, shall not apply to any employee of the city of Minneapolis, the park and recreation board of the city of Minneapolis, and the housing and redevelopment authority of the city of Minneapolis when assigned or detailed to the riverfront development coordination board.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Minneapolis and by the board of park and recreation of the city of Minneapolis and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section

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**CHAPTER 494-S.F.No.1754**

*An act relating to highway traffic regulations; authorized emergency vehicles; approval of specifications and equipment test fees for lighting and vehicle safety equipment; warning devices on certain vehicles; and vehicle modification standards; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 169.01, Subdivision 5; 169.468, Subdivision 2; 169.65; and 169.75; Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 169.305, Subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.47, Subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.01, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE.** "Authorized emergency vehicle" means any of the following vehicles when equipped and identified according to law: (1) A vehicle of a fire department; (2) a publicly owned police vehicle or a privately owned vehicle used by a police officer for police work under agreement, express or implied, with the local authority to which he is responsible; (3) an ambulance, whether publicly or privately owned; (4) an emergency vehicle of a municipal department or a public service corporation, approved by the commissioner of public safety or the chief of police of a municipality; (5) any volunteer rescue squad operating pursuant to Laws 1959, Chapter 53; (6) a vehicle designated as an authorized emergency vehicle upon a finding by the commissioner of public safety that designation of that vehicle is necessary to the preservation of life or property or to the execution of emergency governmental functions.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 169.305, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**169.305 CONTROLLED ACCESS REGULATIONS AND PENALTIES.**  
Subdivision 1. (a) No person shall drive a vehicle onto or from any controlled access highway except at such entrances and exits as are established by public authority.

(b) When special crossovers between the main roadways of a controlled access highway are provided for emergency vehicles or maintenance equipment and such crossovers are signed to prohibit "U" turns, it shall be unlawful for any vehicle, except an emergency vehicle or maintenance equipment, to use such crossover. For the purposes of this clause "emergency vehicle" includes a wrecker if it is on the way to the location of an accident or a disabled vehicle.

(c) The commissioner of transportation may by order, and any public authority may by ordinance, with respect to any controlled access highway under their jurisdictions

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