

Sec. 39. Laws 1977, Chapter 307, Section 27, is repealed.

Sec. 40. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Sections 1 to 3, 35, 36 and 39 are effective the day following final enactment. Sections 4 to 6, 19 to 33 and 37 are effective July 1, 1978. Sections 7 to 9 and 11 are effective for taxes levied in 1978 and subsequent years, payable in 1979 and subsequent years. Sections 10, 12 and 13 are effective for taxes levied in 1977 and subsequent years, payable in 1978 and subsequent years. Sections 14 to 18 are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1977 except that clause (b) of section 17 is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1976, and before January 1, 1978. Section 34 is effective for sales occurring after June 30, 1978, provided that excise taxes shall not be due or collected with respect to sales occurring prior to July 1, 1978. Section 38 is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1977.

Approved April 5, 1978.

CHAPTER 768-H.F.No.1940

An act relating to the environmental education board; transferring the board to the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources; requiring a study of environmental education activities of state agencies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 116E.03, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 116E.03, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

116E.03 **POWERS AND DUTIES.** Subdivision 1. **GENERALLY.** The environmental education board shall operate under the general supervision of the ~~environmental quality board commissioner of natural resources~~. The environmental education board shall submit its budget to the ~~environmental quality control board commissioner~~ each year for review and approval. Twice each year the state environmental education board shall report to the ~~environmental quality board commissioner~~ on the status of its programs and operations. In addition to any powers or duties otherwise prescribed by law and without limiting the same, the state environmental education board shall have the powers and duties hereinafter specified.

Sec. 2. The commissioners of finance and administration, as appropriate, shall provide for the transfer of personnel, appropriations and materials from the state planning agency to the department of administration pursuant to this act.

Sec. 3. On or before November 15, 1981, the Minnesota environmental education board shall prepare and submit to the legislature and the governor a report evaluating the following issues: (a) the status of environmental education activities performed by state agencies, (b) the degree of interaction and coordination between these agencies, (c) the need for continued or expanded environmental education activities by all state agencies,

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and, in particular, the board, and (d) whether the board should be abolished and its functions suspended or transferred. In respect to clauses (c) and (d), the board shall solicit the written opinions of other affected state agencies, and these opinions shall be included as part of the board's report. Prior to adjournment of the regular legislative session in 1982, the governmental operations committees of the house and senate shall have evaluated the report and considered legislation in response thereto.

Sec. 4. This act is effective July 1, 1978.

Approved April 5, 1978.

CHAPTER 769-H.F.No.1943

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to fire and related insurance; permitting cancellation of fire and related insurance policies only under certain circumstances; requiring notice of reason for cancellation or nonrenewal; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 65A.01, Subdivision 1, and by adding subdivisions.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 65A.01, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

65A.01 MINNESOTA STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE POLICY. Subdivision 1. **DESIGNATION AND SCOPE.** The printed form of a policy of fire insurance, as set forth in subdivision 3 and section 2 of this act, shall be known and designated as the "Minnesota Standard Fire Insurance Policy" to be used in the state of Minnesota. No policy or contract of fire insurance shall be made, issued or delivered by any insurer including reciprocals or inter-insurance exchanges or any agent or representative thereof, on any property in this state, unless it shall provide the specified coverage and conform as to all provisions, stipulations, and conditions, with such form of policy, except as provided in section 65A.06. Any policy or contract otherwise subject to the provisions of this subdivision and, subdivision 3 and section 2 of this act which includes either on an unspecified basis as to coverage or for a single premium, coverage against the peril of fire and coverage against other perils may be issued without incorporating the exact language of the Minnesota Standard Fire Insurance Policy, provided: Such policy or contract shall, with respect to the peril of fire, afford the insured all the rights and benefits of the Minnesota Standard Fire Insurance Policy and such additional benefits as the policy provides; the provisions in relation to mortgagee interests and obligations in said Minnesota Standard Fire Insurance Policy shall be incorporated therein without change; such policy or contract is complete as to its terms of coverage; and, the commissioner is satisfied that such policy or contract complies with the provisions hereof.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 65A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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