(c) that the restrictions on the division of taxes and filing and recording have been waived by resolution of the governing body of the municipality in the particular case because compliance would create an unnecessary hardship and failure to comply would not interfere with the purpose of the regulations.

If any of the conditions for certification by the municipality as provided in this subdivision exist and the municipality does not certify that they exist within 24 hours after the instrument of conveyance has been presented to the clerk of the municipality, the provisions of subdivision 1 shall do not apply.

If an unexecuted instrument is presented to the municipality and any of the conditions for certification by the municipality as provided in this subdivision exist, the unexecuted instrument must be certified by the clerk of the municipality.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 272.162, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. APPLICABILITY OF RESTRICTIONS. This section does not apply to the exceptions set forth in section 272.12.

This section applies only to land within municipalities located within the metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121, subdivision 2, which choose to be governed by its provisions. A municipality may choose to have this section apply to the property within its boundaries by filing a certified copy of a resolution of its governing body making that choice with the auditor and recorder of the county in which it is located.

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CHAPTER 240 — S.F.No. 857

An act relating to agriculture; excluding pipeline companies from certain restrictions on acquisition of agricultural land; amending Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 500.221, subdivision 2.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 500.221, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. ALIENS AND NON-AMERICAN CORPORATIONS. Except as hereinafter provided, no natural person shall acquire directly or indirectly any interest in agricultural land unless the person is a citizen of the United States or a permanent resident alien of the United States. In addition to the restrictions in section 500.24, no corporation, partnership, limited partnership, trustee, or

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other business entity shall directly or indirectly, acquire or otherwise obtain any interest, whether legal, beneficial or otherwise, in any title to agricultural land unless at least 80 percent of each class of stock issued and outstanding or 80 percent of the ultimate beneficial interest of the entity is held directly or indirectly by citizens of the United States or permanent resident aliens. This section shall not apply:

- (1) to agricultural land that may be acquired by devise, inheritance, as security for indebtedness, by process of law in the collection of debts, or by any procedure for the enforcement of a lien or claim thereon, whether created by mortgage or otherwise. All agricultural land acquired in the collection of debts or by the enforcement of a lien or claim shall be disposed of within three years after acquiring ownership;
- (2) to citizens or subjects of a foreign country whose rights to hold land are secured by treaty;
- (3) to lands used for transportation purposes by a common carrier, as defined in section 218.011, subdivision 2;
- (4) to lands or interests in lands acquired for use in connection with mining and mineral processing operations. Pending the development of agricultural land for mining purposes the land may not be used for farming except under lease to a family farm, a family farm corporation or an authorized farm corporation; and
- (5) to agricultural land operated for research or experimental purposes if the ownership of the agricultural land is incidental to the research or experimental objectives of the person or business entity and the total acreage owned by the person or business entity does not exceed the acreage owned on May 27, 1977; or
- (6) to the purchase of any tract of 40 acres or less for facilities incidental to pipeline operation by a company operating a pipeline as defined in section 116I.01, subdivision 3.

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CHAPTER 241 - S.F.No. 892

An act relating to insurance; authorizing the establishment of joint self-insurance employee health plans; providing administrative, trust, bonding, investment, and reporting requirements; establishing a revenue fee; authorizing certain governmental subdivisions to self-insure for long-term disability coverage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 471.617, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; proposing new law coded as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62H.

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