

admissible only with respect to the question of damages for head injuries. Damages for head injuries of any person who was not wearing protective headgear shall be reduced to the extent that those injuries could have been avoided by wearing protective headgear of a type approved that complied with standards established by the commissioner of public safety. For the purposes of this subdivision "operator or passenger" means any operator or passenger regardless of whether that operator or passenger was required by law to wear protective headgear approved that complied with standards established by the commissioner of public safety.

Sec. 34. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 168.27, subdivision 5; 168.31, subdivision 3; 169.672; and 169.755; and Minnesota Statutes 1983 Supplement, section 168.46, are repealed.

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CHAPTER 550 — S.F.No. 1589

An act relating to natural resources; authorizing hunters and trappers to wear blaze orange camouflage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1983 Supplement, section 100.29, subdivision 8.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1983 Supplement, section 100.29, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. It shall be unlawful to hunt or trap, or assist therein, in any zone open for the taking of deer with the use of firearms, during such open season, unless the visible portion of the hunter's or trapper's cap and outer garments, above the waist excluding sleeves if any and excluding gloves, shall be bright red or blaze orange or covered therewith. Blaze orange includes a camouflage pattern of at least 50 percent blaze orange within each foot square.

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CHAPTER 551 — S.F.No. 1683

An act relating to housing; prohibiting certain rent control ordinances in cities, counties, and towns; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 471.

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

Section 1. **[471.9996] RENT CONTROL PROHIBITED.**

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Subdivision 1. IN GENERAL. No statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town may adopt or renew by ordinance or otherwise any law to control rents on private residential property except as provided in subdivision 2. This section does not impair the right of any statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town:

(1) to manage or control property in which it has a financial interest through a housing authority or similar agency;

(2) to contract with a property owner;

(3) to act as required or authorized by laws or regulations of the United States government or this state; or

(4) to mediate between property owners and tenants for the purpose of negotiating rents.

Subd. 2. EXCEPTION. Subdivision 1 does not preclude a statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town from controlling rents on private residential property to the extent that the city, county, or town has the power to adopt an ordinance, charter amendment, or law to control these rents if the ordinance, charter amendment, or law that controls rents is approved in a general election. Subdivision 1 does not limit any power or authority of the voters of a statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town to petition for an ordinance or charter amendment to control rents on private residential property to the extent that the power or authority is otherwise provided for by law, and if the ordinance or charter amendment is approved in a general election. This subdivision does not grant any additional power or authority to the citizens of a statutory or home rule charter city, county, or town to vote on any question beyond that contained in other law.

Subdivision 1 does not apply to any statutory city unless the citizens of the statutory city have the authority to vote on the issue of rent control granted by other law.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day after final enactment.

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CHAPTER 552 — S.F.No. 1750

An act relating to commerce; providing for the classification of crime reports of the department of commerce; providing a certain limitation on insurance agent continuing education requirements; including certain financial institutions within the definition of broker-dealer of securities; broadening the securities transaction exemption for corporate transactions; providing for the receipt of applications for renewal of real estate broker and

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