

CHAPTER 445—S.F.No. 2127

An act relating to forestry; implementing a statewide program to encourage maintenance and expansion of community and urban forests; assigning responsibilities to various state agencies and municipalities; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 17.

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

Section 1. [17.86] URBAN FOREST PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT.

Subdivision 1. OVERALL. The following course of action is intended as a basis for prompt action to the maximum extent practical within the limits of state, local, and commercial resources. The assignment of a basic responsibility to a particular agency is not intended to confer exclusive responsibility or authority unless specifically stated, for joint action is intended as the key to a successful program.

Subd. 2. RESEARCH. The University of Minnesota and its extension service in cooperation with the commissioner of agriculture shall institute a continuing research program on tree varieties most suitable for growth within the state; and the proper placement of individual trees and groups of trees in new or existing commercial, industrial, and residential settings to maximize energy saving benefits. The University of Minnesota and the commissioner shall work closely with nurseries and other suppliers of trees to assure a constant and reliable supply of the desirable varieties is available for planting.

Subd. 3. INFORMATION. The University of Minnesota extension service, in cooperation with the commissioners of agriculture, education, natural resources, and public service, shall serve as the principal agency for publishing and circulating information derived from research under subdivision 2 among the various municipalities and individual property owners in the state. Where practical, the extension service and department of public service shall secure the advice and assistance of various energy utilities interested and concerned with conservation. The commissioner of agriculture shall establish an information source for requests for nursery stock, to match needs of municipalities with stocks of trees available for planting from private and governmental sources.

Subd. 4. TRANSPORTATION PLANTINGS. The commissioner of transportation shall utilize information on varieties and placement of trees to provide maximum forestation in rest areas and other areas controlled by the department. The commissioner of transportation should consider the use of trees in conjunction with solid noise walls along urban freeways to the maximum extent practical.

Subd. 5. SCHOOL ARBOR DAY ACTIVITIES. The commissioners of education, agriculture, and natural resources, with the state arbor month committee and its individual public and private members, shall jointly work to expand and strengthen programs available to all levels of schools in forestry

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education and shall encourage reinstatement of Arbor Day activities. Information on desirable shade tree varieties and efficient spacing and location of shade trees shall be made available for use in related adult education courses.

Subd. 6. MUNICIPAL ACTION. A city of the first or second class shall, by ordinance, require of the developer the use of properly placed trees in new subdivisions and plantings on lands dedicated to parks and open spaces. Cities of the third and fourth class may adopt such ordinances. Counties may assist and encourage the smaller cities in tree planting programs. A municipality may contract on a long-term basis with nurseries and shade tree wholesalers to assure continued availability of nursery stock of the desirable shade tree varieties.

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CHAPTER 446—H.F.No. 1981

An act relating to motor vehicles; providing for temporary permit while awaiting delivery of special vehicle license plates; requiring registered owner of motor vehicle to list address or mailing address of primary residence on application for registration; clarifying when inspection fee must be paid to receive certificate of inspection for salvage vehicle; clarifying disclosure requirements for motor vehicle pollution control system; providing for special U.S. Open license plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, sections 168.09, by adding a subdivision; 168.10, subdivision 1; and 325E.0951, subdivision 3a; Minnesota Statutes 1989 Supplement, section 168A.152, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 168.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. DISPLAY OF TEMPORARY PERMIT; SPECIAL PLATES. A vehicle that displays a special plate issued under section 168.021; 168.12, subdivision 2, 2a, 2b, or 2c; 168.123; 168.124; 168.125; 168.126; or 168.128 may display a temporary permit in conjunction with expired registration if:

- (1) the current registration tax and all other fees have been paid in full; and
- (2) the plate requires replacement under section 168.12, subdivision 1, paragraph (3).

The permit is valid for a period of 60 days. The permit must be in a form prescribed by the commissioner of public safety and whenever practicable must be posted upon the driver's side of the rear window on the inside of the vehicle. The permit is valid only for the vehicle for which it was issued to allow a

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