- (9) the vehicle is unlawfully parked in a zone that is restricted by posted signs to use by fire, police, public safety, or emergency vehicles;
- (10) the vehicle is unlawfully parked on property at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport owned by the metropolitan airports commission:
- (11) a law enforcement official has probable cause to believe that the vehicle is stolen, or that the vehicle constitutes or contains evidence of a crime and impoundment is reasonably necessary to obtain or preserve the evidence;
- (12) the driver, operator, or person in physical control of the vehicle is taken into custody and the vehicle is impounded for safekeeping;
- (13) a law enforcement official has probable cause to believe that the owner, operator, or person in physical control of the vehicle has failed to respond to five or more citations for parking or traffic offenses; off
- (14) the vehicle is unlawfully parked in a zone that is restricted by posted signs to use by taxicabs;
- (15) the vehicle is unlawfully parked and prevents egress by a lawfully parked vehicle; or
- (16) the vehicle is parked, on a school day during prohibited hours, in a school zone on a public street where official signs prohibit parking.

Presented to the governor April 17, 1992

Signed by the governor April 27, 1992, 2:12 p.m.

#### CHAPTER 581—H.F.No. 1701

An act relating to transportation; exempting certain vehicles of county social services agencies from the requirement to display identification; authorizing issuance of restricted commercial drivers' licenses; crediting license plate fees to highway uses tax distribution; updating collector vehicle list for vehicle registration purposes; exempting certain farm trucks from requirement for separate braking systems; authorizing expenditure of rail service improvement account money for maintenance of rail lines and rights-of-way in the rail bank; authorizing the commissioner of transportation to acquire abandoned rail lines and rights-of-way by eminent domain; eliminating requirement to offer state rail bank property to adjacent land owners; authorizing fuel tax compacts; providing for fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 168.012, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; 168.042, by adding a subdivision; 168.12, subdivisions 2 and 5; 168.128, by adding a subdivision; 168.187, subdivisions 17 and 26; 168.29; 169.67, subdivision 1; 171.02, by adding a subdivision; 222.50, subdivision 7; 222.63, subdivisions 2, 2a, and 4; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, sections 168.041, by adding a subdivision; 168.10, subdivision 1b; 169.781, subdivision 5; 171.07, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,

chapter 296; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 222.63, subdivision 5; and 296.17, subdivision 9a.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.012, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. (a) The following vehicles are exempt from the provisions of this chapter requiring payment of tax and registration fees, except as provided in subdivision 1c:

- (1) vehicles owned and used solely in the transaction of official business by representatives of foreign powers, by the federal government, the state, or any political subdivision;
- (2) vehicles owned and used exclusively by educational institutions and used solely in the transportation of pupils to and from such institutions;
- (3) vehicles used solely in driver education programs at nonpublic high schools;
- (4) vehicles owned by nonprofit charities and used exclusively to transport disabled persons for educational purposes;
- (5) vehicles owned and used by honorary consul or consul general of foreign governments; and
- (6) ambulances owned by ambulance services licensed under section 144.802, the general appearance of which is unmistakable.
- (b) Vehicles owned by the federal government, municipal fire apparatus, police patrols and ambulances, the general appearance of which is unmistakable, shall not be required to register or display number plates.
- (c) Unmarked vehicles used in general police work and arson investigations, and passenger automobiles, pickup trucks, and buses owned or operated by the department of corrections shall be registered and shall display appropriate license number plates which shall be furnished by the registrar at cost. Original and renewal applications for these license plates authorized for use in general police work and for use by the department of corrections must be accompanied by a certification signed by the appropriate chief of police if issued to a police vehicle, the appropriate sheriff if issued to a sheriff's vehicle, the commissioner of corrections if issued to a department of corrections vehicle, or the appropriate officer in charge if issued to a vehicle of any other law enforcement agency. The certification must be on a form prescribed by the commissioner and state that the vehicle will be used exclusively for a purpose authorized by this section.
- (d) Unmarked vehicles used by the department of revenue in conducting seizures or criminal investigations must be registered and must display passen-

ger vehicle classification license number plates which shall be furnished at cost by the registrar. Original and renewal applications for these passenger vehicle license plates must be accompanied by a certification signed by the commissioner of revenue. The certification must be on a form prescribed by the commissioner and state that the vehicles will be used exclusively for the purposes authorized by this section.

- (e) All other motor vehicles shall be registered and display tax-exempt number plates which shall be furnished by the registrar at cost, except as provided in subdivision 1c. All vehicles required to display tax-exempt number plates shall have the name of the state department or political subdivision, or the nonpublic high school operating a driver education program, on the vehicle plainly displayed on both sides thereof in letters not less than 2-1/2 inches high and onehalf inch wide; except that each state hospital and institution for the mentally ill and mentally retarded may have one vehicle without the required identification on the sides of the vehicle, and county social service agencies may have vehicles used for child and vulnerable adult protective services without the required identification on the sides of the vehicle. Such identification shall be in a color giving contrast with that of the part of the vehicle on which it is placed and shall endure throughout the term of the registration. The identification must not be on a removable plate or placard and shall be kept clean and visible at all times; except that a removable plate or placard may be utilized on vehicles leased or loaned to a political subdivision or to a nonpublic high school driver education program.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.012, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 12. FEES CREDITED TO HIGHWAY USER FUND. Administrative fees and fees collected from the sale of license plates under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 168.041, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 11. FEES CREDITED TO HIGHWAY USER FUND. Fees collected from the sale of license plates under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.
- Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.042, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 15. FEES CREDITED TO HIGHWAY USER FUND. Fees collected from the sale of license plates under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.
- Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 168.10, subdivision 1b, is amended to read:

Subd. 1b. COLLECTOR'S VEHICLE, CLASSIC CAR LICENSE. Any motor vehicle manufactured between and including the years 1925 and 1948, and designated by the registrar of motor vehicles as a classic car because of its fine design, high engineering standards, and superior workmanship, and owned and operated solely as a collector's item shall be listed for taxation and registration as follows: An affidavit shall be executed stating the name and address of the owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, the make of the motor vehicle, year and number of the model, the manufacturer's identification number and that the vehicle is owned and operated solely as a collector's item and not for general transportation purposes. If the registrar is satisfied that the affidavit is true and correct and that the motor vehicle qualifies to be classified as a classic car, and the owner pays a \$25 tax, the registrar shall list such vehicle for taxation and registration and shall issue number plates.

The number plates so issued shall bear the inscription "Classic Car," "Minnesota," and the registration number or other combination of characters authorized under section 168.12, subdivision 2a, but no date. The number plates are valid without renewal as long as the vehicle is in existence and shall be issued for the applicant's use only for such vehicle. The registrar has the power to revoke said plates for failure to comply with this subdivision.

The following cars built between and including 1925 and 1948 are classic:

A.C. Adler

Alfa Romeo

Alvis

Speed 20, 25, and 4.3 litre.

Amilcar Aston Martin

Auburn All 8-cylinder and 12-cylinder

models.

Audi

Austro-Daimler Avions Voisin 12

Bentley Blackhawk

B.M.W. Models 327, 328, and 335 only.

Brewster

(Heart-front Ford)

Bugatti

Buick 1931 through 1942: series 90 only.

Cadillac All 1925 through 1935.

All 12's and 16's.

1936-1948: Series <u>63, 65, 67,</u> 70, 72, 75, 80, 85 and 90 only.

1938-1941 1938-1947: 60 special only.

1940-1947: All 62 Series.

Chrysler

1926 through 1930: Imperial 80.

1929: Imperial L.

1931: Imperial 8 Series CG. 1932: Series CG, CH and CL.

1933: Series CL. 1934: Series CW. 1935: Series CW.

1931 through 1937: Imperial Series CG,

CH, CL, and CW.

All Newports and Thunderbolts.

1934 CX. 1935 C-3. 1936 C-11.

1937 through 1948: Custom Imperial, Crown Imperial Series C-15, C-20, C-24, C-27,

C-33, C-37, and C-40.

Cord

Cunningham

Dagmar Model 25-70 only.

Daimler
Delage
Delahaye
Doble
Dorris
Duesenberg
du Pont

Franklin All models except 1933-34 Olympic

Sixes.

Frazer Nash

<u>Graham</u> <u>1930-1931: Series 137.</u> <u>Graham-Paige</u> <u>1929-1930: Series 837.</u>

Hispano Suiza Horch Hotchkiss Invicta

Isotta Fraschini

Jaguar

Jordan Speedway Series 'Z' only.

Kissel 1925, 1926 and 1927: Model 8-75.

1928: Model 8-90, and 8-90 White

Eagle.

1929: Model 8-126, and 8-90 White

Eagle.

1930: Model 8-126. 1931: Model 8-126.

Lagonda

Lancia

La Salle 1927 through 1933 only. Lincoln All models K, L, KA, and KB.

> 1941: Model 168H. 1942: Model 268H.

Lincoln

Continental 1939 through 1948. Locomobile All models 48 and 90.

1927: Model 8-80. 1928: Model 8-80.

1929: Models 8-80 and 8-88.

Marmon All 16-cylinder models.

1925: Model 74. 1926: Model 74. 1927: Model 75. 1928: Model E75. 1930: Big 8 model.

1931: Model 88, and Big 8.

Maybach McFarlan

Mercedes Benz All models 2.2 litres and up.

Mercer

M.G. 6-cylinder models only.

Minerva

Nash 1931: Series 8-90. 1932: Series 9-90,

Advanced 8, and Ambassador 8.

Packard 1933-1934: Ambassador 8.
1925 through 1934: All models.
1935 through 1942: Models 1200,

1201, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1400, 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1407, 1408, 1500, 1501, 1502, 1506, 1507, 1508, 1603, 1604, 1605, 1607, 1608, 1705, 1707, 1708, 1806, 1807, 1808, 1906, 1907, 1908, 2006,

2007, and 2008 only.

1946 and 1947: Models 2106 and

2126 only.

Peerless 1926 through 1928: Series 69.

1930-1931: Custom 8. 1932: Deluxe Custom 8.

Pierce Arrow

Railton

Renault Grand Sport model only.

Reo 1930-1931: Royale Custom 8, and

Series 8-35 and 8-52 Elite 8. 1933: Royale Custom 8.

Revere

Roamer 1925: Series 8-88, 6-54e, and 4-75.

1926: Series 4-75e, and 8-88. 1927-1928: Series 8-88. 1929: Series 8-88, and 8-125.

1930: Series 8-125.

Rohr

Rolls Royce Ruxton Salmson Squire Stearns Knie

Stearns Knight Stevens Duryea

Steyr

Studebaker 1929-1933: President,

except model 82.

Stutz

Sunbeam Talbot

Triumph Dolomite 8 and Gloria 6.
Vauxhall Series 25-70 and 30-98 only.

Voisin

Wills Saint Claire

No commercial vehicles such as hearses, ambulances, or trucks are considered to be classic cars.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. AMATEUR RADIO STATION LICENSEE; SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES. Any applicant who is an owner or joint owner of a passenger automobile, van or pickup truck, or a self-propelled recreational vehicle, and a resident of this state, and who holds an official amateur radio station license. or a citizens radio service class D license, in good standing, issued by the Federal Communications Commission shall upon compliance with all laws of this state relating to registration and the licensing of motor vehicles and drivers, be furnished with license plates for the motor vehicle, as prescribed by law, upon which, in lieu of the numbers required for identification under subdivision 1, shall be inscribed the official amateur call letters of the applicant, as assigned by the Federal Communications Commission. The applicant shall pay in addition to the registration tax required by law, the sum of \$10 for the special license plates, and at the time of delivery of the special license plates the applicant shall surrender to the registrar the current license plates issued for the motor vehicle. This provision for the issue of special license plates shall apply only if the applicant's vehicle is already registered in Minnesota so that the applicant has valid regular Minnesota plates issued for that vehicle under which to operate it during the time that it will take to have the necessary special license plates made. If

owning or jointly owning more than one motor vehicle of the type specified in this subdivision, the applicant may apply for special plates for each of not more than two vehicles, and, if each application complies with this subdivision, the registrar shall furnish the applicant with the special plates, inscribed with the official amateur call letters and other distinguishing information as the registrar considers necessary, for each of the two vehicles. And the registrar may make reasonable rules governing the use of the special license plates as will assure the full compliance by the owner and holder of the special plates, with all existing laws governing the registration of motor vehicles, the transfer and the use thereof.

Despite any contrary provision of subdivision 1, the special license plates issued under this subdivision may be transferred to another motor vehicle upon the payment of a fee of \$5. The fee must be paid into the state treasury and eredited to the highway user tax distribution fund. The registrar must be notified of the transfer and may prescribe a form for the notification.

<u>Fees collected under this subdivision must be paid into the state treasury</u> and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.12, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. ADDITIONAL FEE. In addition to any fee otherwise authorized or any tax otherwise imposed upon any motor vehicle, the payment of which is required as a condition to the issuance of any number license plate or plates, the commissioner of public safety may impose a fee of \$2 for a that is calculated to cover the cost of manufacturing and issuing the license plate for a motoreyele, motorized bicycle, or motorized sidecar, and \$2 for license or plates, other than except for license plates issued to disabled veterans as defined in section 168.031 and license plates issued pursuant to section 168.124 or 168.27, subdivisions 16 and 17, for passenger automobiles. Graphic design license plates shall only be issued for vehicles registered pursuant to section 168.017 and recreational vehicles registered pursuant to section 168.013, subdivision 1g.

<u>Fees collected under this subdivision must be paid into the state treasury</u> and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

- Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.128, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 4. FEES CREDITED TO HIGHWAY USER FUND. Fees collected from the sale of license plates under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.
- Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.187, subdivision 17, is amended to read:
  - Subd. 17. TRIP PERMITS. The commission may, Subject to agreements

or arrangements made or entered into pursuant to subdivision 7, the commissioner may issue trip permits for use of Minnesota highways by individual vehicles, on an occasional basis, for periods not to exceed 120 hours in compliance with rules promulgated pursuant to subdivision 23 and upon payment of a fee of \$15.

- Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.187, subdivision 26, is amended to read:
- Subd. 26. **DELINQUENT FILING OR PAYMENT.** If a fleet owner licensed under this section and section 296.17, subdivision 9a, 3 is delinquent in either the filing or payment of paying the international fuel tax agreement reports for more than 30 days, or the payment of paying the international registration plan billing for more than 30 days, the fleet owner, after ten days' written notice, is subject to suspension of the apportioned license plates and the international fuel tax agreement license.
  - Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.29, is amended to read:

#### 168.29 DUPLICATE REPLACEMENT PLATES.

In the event of the defacement, loss or destruction of any number plates or validation stickers, the registrar, upon receiving and filing a sworn statement of the vehicle owner, setting forth the circumstances of the defacement, loss, destruction or theft of the number plates or validation stickers, together with any defaced plates or stickers and the payment of the a fee of \$5 calculated to cover the cost of replacement, shall issue a new set of plates, except for duplicate personalized license plates provided for in section 168.12, subdivision 2a. The registrar shall impose a fee to replace personalized plates not to exceed the actual cost of producing the plates or stickers.

The registrar shall then note on the registrar's records the issue of such new number plates and shall proceed in such manner as the registrar may deem advisable to cancel and call in the original plates so as to insure against their use on another motor vehicle.

Duplicate registration certificates plainly marked as duplicates may be issued in like cases upon the payment of a \$1 fee.

Fees collected under this section must be paid into the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 169.67, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. MOTOR VEHICLES. Every motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, when operated upon a highway, shall be equipped with brakes adequate to control the movement of and to stop and hold such vehicle, including two separate means of applying the brakes, each of which means shall be effective to apply the brakes to at least two wheels. If these two separate means of

applying the brakes are connected in any way, they shall be so constructed that failure of any one part of the operating mechanism shall not leave the motor vehicle without brakes on at least two wheels. The requirement in this subdivision for separate braking systems does not apply to a commercial motor vehicle described in section 169.781, subdivision 5, paragraph (d).

- Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 169.781, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. INSPECTION DECALS. (a) A person inspecting a commercial motor vehicle shall issue an inspection decal for the vehicle if each inspected component of the vehicle complies with federal motor carrier safety regulations. The decal must state that in the month specified on the decal the vehicle was inspected and each inspected component complied with federal motor carrier safety regulations. The decal is valid for 12 months after the month specified on the decal. The commissioners of public safety and transportation shall make decals available, at a fee of not more than \$2 for each decal, to persons certified to perform inspections under subdivision 3, paragraph (b).
- (b) Minnesota inspection decals may be affixed only to commercial motor vehicles bearing Minnesota-based license plates.
- (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a person inspecting (1) a vehicle of less than 57,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and registered as a farm truck, of (2) a storage semitrailer, or (3) a building mover vehicle must issue an inspection decal to the vehicle unless the vehicle has one or more defects that would result in the vehicle being declared out of service under the North American Uniform Driver, Vehicle, and Hazardous Materials Out-of-Service Criteria issued by the federal highway administration and the commercial motor vehicle safety alliance. A decal issued to a vehicle described in clause (1) of (2), or (3) is valid for two years from the date of issuance. A decal issued to such a vehicle must clearly indicate that it is valid for two years from the date of issuance.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a commercial motor vehicle that (1) is registered as a farm truck, (2) is not operated more than 75 miles from the owner's home post office, and (3) was manufactured before 1979 that has a dual transmission system, is not required to comply with a requirement in an inspection standard that requires that the service brake system and parking brake system be separate systems in the motor vehicle.
- Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 171.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 4. RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL DRIVERS' LICENSES. (a) The commissioner may issue restricted commercial drivers' licenses and take the following actions to the extent that the actions are authorized by regulation of the United States Department of Transportation entitled "waiver for farm-related service industries" as published in the Federal Register, April 17, 1992:

- (1) prescribe examination requirements and other qualifications for the license;
- (2) prescribe classes of vehicles that may be operated by holders of the license;
- (3) specify commercial motor vehicle operation that is authorized by the license, and prohibit other commercial vehicle operation by holders of the license; and
  - (4) prescribe the period of time during which the license is valid.
- (b) Restricted commercial drivers' licenses are subject to sections 171.165 and 171.166 in the same manner as other commercial drivers' licenses.
- (c) Actions of the commissioner under this subdivision are not subject to sections 14.05 to 14.47 of the administrative procedure act.
- Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 171.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. IDENTIFICATION CARD; FEE. Upon payment of the required fee, the department shall issue to every applicant therefor a Minnesota identification card. The department may not issue a Minnesota identification card to a person who has a driver's license, other than an instruction permit or a limited license. The card must bear a distinguishing number assigned to the applicant, a colored photograph or an electronically produced image, the full name, date of birth, residence address, a description of the applicant in the manner as the commissioner deems necessary, and a space upon which the applicant shall write the usual signature and the date of birth of the applicant with pen and ink.

Each Minnesota identification card must be plainly marked "Minnesota identification card - not a driver's license."

The fee for a Minnesota identification card issued to a person who is mentally retarded, as defined in section 252A.02, subdivision 2, or to a physically disabled person, as defined in section 169.345, subdivision 2, is 50 cents.

- Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 222.50, subdivision 7, is amended to read:
- Subd. 7. The commissioner may expend money from the rail service improvement account for the following purposes:
- (a) To pay interest adjustments on loans guaranteed under the state rail user loan guarantee program;
- (b) To pay a portion of the costs of capital improvement projects designed to improve rail service including construction or improvement of short segments of rail line such as side track, team track and connections between existing lines,

and construction and improvement of loading, unloading, storage and transfer facilities of a rail user;

- (c) To acquire, maintain, manage and dispose of railroad right-of-way pursuant to the state rail bank program;
- (d) To provide for aerial photography survey of proposed and abandoned railroad tracks for the purpose of recording and reestablishing by analytical triangulation the existing alignment of the inplace track; or
- (e) To pay a portion of the costs of acquiring a rail line by a regional rail-road authority established pursuant to chapter 398A;
- (f) To pay for the maintenance of rail lines and rights-of-way acquired for the state rail bank under section 222.63, subdivision 2c; and
- (g) To pay the state matching portion of federal grants for rail-highway grade crossing improvement projects.

All money derived by the commissioner from the disposition of railroad right-of-way or of any other property acquired pursuant to sections 222.46 to 222.62 shall be deposited in the rail service improvement account.

- Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 222.63, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. PURPOSE. A state rail bank shall be established for the acquisition and preservation of abandoned rail lines and rights-of-way nod rail lines and rights-of-way proposed for abandonment in a railroad company's system diagram map, for future public use including trail use, or for disposition for commercial use in serving the public, by providing transportation of persons or freight or transmission of energy, fuel, or other commodities. Abandoned rail lines and rights-of-way may be acquired for trail use by another state agency or department or by a political subdivision only if (1) no future commercial transportation use is identified by the commissioner, and (2) the commissioner and the owner of the abandoned rail line have not entered into or are not conducting good-faith negotiations for acquisition of the property.
- Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 222.63, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2a. ACQUISITION. The commissioner of transportation may acquire by purchase all or part of any abandoned rail line or right-of-way or rail line or right-of-way proposed for abandonment in a railroad company's system diagram map which is necessary for preservation in the state rail bank to meet the future public and commercial transportation and transmission needs of the state. The commissioner shall not may acquire any by eminent domain under chapter 117 an interest in an abandoned rail line lines or right-of-way for inclusion in the state rail bank rights-of-way except that the commissioner may not acquire by eminent domain except to quiet title or when all owners as defined in

section 117.025 that are known to the court have no objection to the taking rail lines or rights-of-way that are not abandoned or are owned by a political subdivision of the state or by another state. All property taken by exercise of the power of eminent domain under this subdivision is declared to be taken for a public governmental purpose and as a matter of public necessity.

- Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 222.63, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- Subd. 4. DISPOSITION PERMITTED. The commissioner may lease any rail line or right-of-way held in the state rail bank or enter into an agreement with any person for the operation of any rail line or right-of-way for any of the purposes set forth in subdivision 2 in accordance with a fee schedule to be developed by the commissioner in consultation with the advisory task force established in section 222.65. The commissioner may after consultation convey any rail line or right-of-way, for consideration or for no consideration and upon other terms as the commissioner may determine to be in the public interest, to any other state agency or to a governmental subdivision of the state having power by law to utilize it for any of the purposes set forth in subdivision 2.

## Sec. 20. [296.171] FUEL TAX COMPACTS.

Subdivision 1. AUTHORITY. The commissioner of public safety has the powers granted to the commissioner of revenue under section 296.17. The commissioner of public safety may enter into an agreement or arrangement with the duly authorized representative of another state or make an independent declaration, granting to owners of vehicles properly registered or licensed in another state, benefits, privileges, and exemptions from paying, wholly or partially, fuel taxes, fees, or other charges imposed for operating the vehicles under the laws of Minnesota. The agreement, arrangement, or declaration may impose terms and conditions not inconsistent with Minnesota laws.

- Subd. 2. RECIPROCAL PRIVILEGES AND TREATMENT. An agreement or arrangement must be in writing and provide that when a vehicle properly licensed for fuel in Minnesota is operated on highways of the other state, it must receive exemptions, benefits, and privileges of a similar kind or to a similar degree as are extended to a vehicle properly licensed for fuel in that state, when operated in Minnesota. A declaration must be in writing and must contemplate and provide for mutual benefits, reciprocal privileges, or equitable treatment of the owner of a vehicle registered for fuel in Minnesota and the other state. In the judgment of the commissioner of public safety, an agreement, arrangement, or declaration must be in the best interest of Minnesota and its citizens and must be fair and equitable regarding the benefits that the agreement brings to the economy of Minnesota.
- Subd. 3. COMPLIANCE WITH MINNESOTA LAWS. Agreements, arrangements, and declarations made under authority of this section must contain a provision specifying that no fuel license, or exemption issued or accruing under the license, excuses the operator or owner of a vehicle from compliance with Minnesota laws.

- Subd. 4. EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION. The commissioner of public safety may make arrangements or agreements with other states to exchange information for audit and enforcement activities in connection with fuel tax licensing. The filing of fuel tax returns under this section is subject to the rights, terms, and conditions granted or contained in the applicable agreement or arrangement made by the commissioner under the authority of this section.
- Subd. 5. BASE STATE FUEL COMPACT. The commissioner of public safety may ratify and effectuate the international fuel tax agreement or other fuel tax agreement. The commissioner's authority includes, but is not limited to, collecting fuel taxes due, issuing fuel licenses, issuing refunds, conducting audits, assessing penalties and interest, issuing fuel trip permits, issuing decals, and suspending or denying licensing.
- Subd. 6. MINNESOTA-BASED INTERSTATE CARRIERS. Notwithstanding the exemption contained in section 296.17, subdivision 9, as the commissioner of public safety enters into interstate fuel tax compacts requiring base state licensing and filing and eliminating filing in the nonresident compact states, the Minnesota-based motor vehicles registered under section 168.187 will be required to license under the fuel tax compact in Minnesota.
- Subd. 7. DELINQUENT FILING OR PAYMENT. If a fleet owner licensed under this section is delinquent in either filing or paying the international fuel tax agreement reports for more than 30 days, or paying the international registration plan billing under section 168.187 for more than 30 days, the fleet owner, after ten days' written notice, is subject to suspension of the apportioned license plates and the international fuel tax agreement license.
- Subd. 8. TRANSFERRING FUNDS TO PAY DELINQUENT FEES. If a fleet owner licensed under this section is delinquent in either filing or paying the international fuel tax agreement reports for more than 30 days, or paying the international registration plan billing under section 168.187 for more than 30 days, the commissioner may authorize any credit in either the international fuel tax agreement account or the international registration plan account to be used to offset the liability in either the international registration plan account or the international fuel tax agreement account.
- Subd. 9. FUEL COMPACT FEES. License fees paid to the commissioner of public safety under the international fuel tax agreement must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund. The commissioner shall charge the fuel license fee of \$30 established under section 296.17, subdivision 10, in annual installments of \$15 and an annual application filing fee of \$13 for quarterly reporting of fuel tax.
- Subd. 10. FUEL DECAL FEES. The commissioner of public safety may issue and require the display of a decal or other identification to show compliance with subdivision 5. The commissioner may charge a fee to cover the cost of issuing the decal or other identification. Decal fees paid to the commissioner under this subdivision must be deposited in the highway user tax distribution fund.

Sec. 21. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 222.63, subdivision 5; and 296.17, subdivision 9a, are repealed.

Presented to the governor April 17, 1992

Signed by the governor April 29, 1992, 8:25 a.m.

#### CHAPTER 582—S.F.No. 2565

An act relating to the bureau of mediation services; eliminating the Minnesota public employment relations board; modifying arbitration procedures; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 14.03, subdivision 2; 43A.06, subdivision 2; 179A.03, subdivisions 3, 5, and 17; 179A.10, subdivisions 1 and 3; 179A.12, subdivision 3; 179A.13, subdivision 3; 179A.16, subdivisions 3, 5, and 8; 179A.17; 179A.18, subdivision 1; 179A.20, subdivision 1; 179A.21, subdivisions 2 and 3; 179A.22, subdivision 4; and 179A.25; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, sections 179A.04, subdivision 3; 179A.13, subdivision 2; and 179A.16, subdivisions 4, 6, and 7; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 179A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 179A.05, as amended.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 14.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. CONTESTED CASE PROCEDURES. The contested case procedures of the administrative procedure act provided in sections 14.57 to 14.69 do not apply to (a) the Minnesota municipal board, (b) the commissioner of corrections, (c) the unemployment insurance program and the social security disability determination program in the department of jobs and training, (d) the director commissioner of mediation services, (e) the workers' compensation division in the department of labor and industry, (f) the workers' compensation court of appeals, or (g) the board of pardons; or (h) the public employment relations board.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 43A.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **HEARINGS.** The commissioner shall represent the state at hearings conducted by the commissioner of the bureau of mediation services and the public employment relations board.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 179A.03, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **BOARD BUREAU**. "Board" "Bureau" means the Minnesota public employment relations board bureau of mediation services.