- (iii) a copy of the record of a judgment assessing damages under section 609.215, subdivision 5; or
- (iv) a finding by the board that the person violated section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2. The board shall investigate any complaint of a violation of section 609.215, subdivision 1 or 2.

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Signed by the governor May 5, 1993, 6:25 p.m.

CHAPTER 85—S.F.No. 737

An act relating to motor vehicles; requiring vehicle owner to transfer certificate of title upon gaining ownership to motor vehicle; allowing registrar to research records before responding to phone request; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, sections 168.10, subdivision 1; 168.34; and 168A.30, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 168.10, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. APPLICATION. Except as provided in subdivisions 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, 1g, and 1h, every registered owner of any motor vehicle in this state, not exempted by section 168.012 or 168.26, shall as soon as registered ownership of a motor vehicle is acquired and annually thereafter during the period provided in section 168.31, file with the commissioner of public safety on a blank provided by the commissioner a listing for taxation and application for the registration of such vehicle, stating the first, middle and last names, the date of birth, and the address of the primary residence of each registered owner thereof who is a natural person or mailing address if the address of the primary residence has been classified as private data under this chapter, the full name and address of any other registered owner, the name and address of the person from whom purchased, make of motor vehicle, year and number of the model, manufacturer's identification number or serial number, type of body, the weight of the vehicle in pounds, for trailers only, its rated load carrying capacity and for buses only, its seating capacity, and such other information as the commissioner may require. Any false statement willfully and knowingly made in regard thereto shall be deemed perjury and punished accordingly. The listing and application for registration by dealers or manufacturers' agents within the state, of motor vehicles received for sale or use within the state shall be accepted as compliance with the requirements of this chapter, imposed upon the manufacturer.

Registration shall be refused a motor vehicle if the original identification or serial number has been destroyed, removed, altered, covered, or defaced. How-

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ever, if the commissioner is satisfied on the sworn statements of the registered owner or registered owners or such other persons as the commissioner may deem advisable that the applicant is the legal owner, a special identification number in the form prescribed by the commissioner shall be assigned to the motor vehicle. When it has been determined that the number had been affixed to such vehicle in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, the vehicle may thereafter be registered in the same manner as other motor vehicles. In the case of a new or rebuilt motor vehicle manufactured or assembled without an identification or serial number, the commissioner may assign an identification number to the motor vehicle in the same manner as prescribed heretofore.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 168.34, is amended to read:

168.34 INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED.

The registrar shall maintain in the registrar's office an information bureau to immediately answer such questions, through personal inquiry, telephone, or letter; as may be answered from the registrar's files; and, when authorized by an inquirer to telegraph collect, shall so answer. Sheriffs and police departments shall promptly report stolen motor vehicles and motor vehicles recovered; on forms provided by the registrar, and each month the registrar shall print and send a list of such motor vehicles to such officials and to the motor vehicle department in each of the several states. Initial applications for registration shall be ehecked against the list. Registrations shall be completed with the utmost dispatch; in such manner as to render the most efficient service to the public; on the same day that the application is received. The telephone and telegraph shall be immediately used in all eases where reverse or collect charges are authorized. The registrar, or any deputy or employee, shall not be liable to any person for mistake or negligence in the giving of information not willfully calculated to injure such person. The registration system shall be so conducted, and the requirements thereof so construed, as to furnish to the public immediate, accurate information as to any single car about which the inquiry may be made, and to furnish the registrar a means of checking back during any year to determine that all motor vehicles subject to taxation and licensing have had the proper tax or fee paid thereon. The mail or carriers by express may be used for any notice for delivery required of the registrar.

- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 168A.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. WILLFUL OR FRAUDULENT ACTS; FAILURE TO NOTIFY. A person is guilty of a misdemeanor who:
- (1) With fraudulent intent permits another, not entitled thereto, to use or have possession of a certificate of title;
- (2) Willfully fails to mail or deliver a certificate of title to the department within ten days after the time required by sections 168A.01 to 168A.31;

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- (3) Willfully fails to deliver to the transferee a certificate of title within ten days after the time required by sections 168A.01 to 168A.31;
 - (4) Commits a fraud in any application for a certificate of title;
- (5) Fails to notify the department of any fact as required by sections 168A.01 to 168A.31; or
- (6) Willfully violates any other provision of sections 168A.01 to 168A.31 except as otherwise provided in sections 168A.01 to 168A.31.

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CHAPTER 86—H.F.No. 667

An act relating to volunteer firefighter relief associations; modifying the corporate registration requirement for relief associations complying with fire state aid financial reporting requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1992, sections 69.051, by adding a subdivision; and 3174.823, subdivision 1.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 69.051, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 1c. NOTIFICATION OF SECRETARY OF STATE. The state auditor annually shall provide the secretary of state with a list of the names of the volunteer firefighter relief associations that comply with the requirements of subdivision 1 or 1a. The information provided must also include, for each volunteer firefighter relief association, the office address and the name of the person functioning as president.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1992, section 317A.823, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. NOTICE FROM SECRETARY OF STATE; REGISTRATION REQUIRED. (a) Except for corporations to which paragraph (c) applies, before February 1 of each year, the secretary of state shall mail a corporate registration form by first-class mail to each corporation that incorporated or filed a corporate registration during either of the previous two calendar years at its last registered office address listed on the records of the secretary of state. The form must include the exact legal corporate name and registered office address currently on file with the secretary of state along with the name of the person who performs the functions of the president. The secretary of state may also give notice of the requirement to file the annual registration by any other means the secretary of state considers appropriate.

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