

CHAPTER 332—H.F.No. 2858

An act relating to Camp Ripley; providing for use of the National Guard Education Center as the state education and training center; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15.

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

Section 1. [15.053] USE OF THE NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATION CENTER AT CAMP RIPLEY.

The military reservation at Camp Ripley is designated as the "State of Minnesota Education and Training Center." State agencies may use the National Guard Education Center at Camp Ripley for official conferences, sessions, meetings, seminars, and any other gathering of state employees that otherwise would not be held in the agency's normal place of business.

State agencies are encouraged to coordinate with the adjutant general for availability of the Camp Ripley facilities. In the event the Camp Ripley facilities are being used for military training or are otherwise unavailable, the state agencies may contract for use alternative conference facilities. This section is not intended to preclude adherence to rules of the commissioner of employee relations.

Presented to the governor March 15, 1996

Signed by the governor March 18, 1996, 10:05 a.m.

CHAPTER 333—S.F.No. 2054

An act relating to traffic regulations; requiring driver to stop to yield right-of-way to pedestrian within crosswalk; increasing penalty for failure to yield to pedestrian in crosswalk; directing commissioner to include information pertaining to crosswalk right-of-way in driver's manual; requiring preparation and distribution of publicity concerning traffic regulations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 171.13, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, section 169.21, subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, section 169.21, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **RIGHTS IN ABSENCE OF SIGNALS.** (a) Where traffic-control signals are not in place or in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall stop to yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a marked crosswalk or within any crosswalk at an intersection but no pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield. This provision shall not apply under the conditions as otherwise provided in this subdivision.

(b) When any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.

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(c) It is unlawful for any person to drive a motor vehicle through a column of school children crossing a street or highway or past a member of a school safety patrol or adult crossing guard, while the member of the school safety patrol or adult crossing guard is directing the movement of children across a street or highway and while the school safety patrol member or adult crossing guard is holding an official signal in the stop position. A person who violates this paragraph is guilty of a misdemeanor. A person who violates this paragraph a second or subsequent time within one year of a previous conviction under this paragraph is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

(d) A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or to payment of a fine of not more than \$700, or both. A person who violates this subdivision a second or subsequent time within one year of a previous conviction under this subdivision is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than one year or to payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 171.13, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1g. **DRIVER'S MANUAL; CROSSWALK RIGHT-OF-WAY.** The commissioner shall include in each edition of the driver's manual published by the department after August 1, 1996, a section relating to the circumstances under which a driver must stop to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian in a crosswalk and the penalties for failure to yield.

Sec. 3. **[169.219] PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

The commissioner of public safety shall include in the department's series of public service announcements information that educates the public about traffic regulations that are frequently violated, including the requirement for a vehicle driver to stop to yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian in a crosswalk. The commissioner shall distribute these announcements for broadcast in this state on radio and television.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective September 1, 1996, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date.

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CHAPTER 334—S.F.No. 2332

An act relating to health professions; modifying provisions relating to sexual misconduct; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 13.99, subdivision 44; 147.01, subdivision 4; and 147.091, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 147.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 13.99, subdivision 44, is amended to read:

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