office of the Recorder, Washington County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the Northerly line of Broadway 60.5 feet Southwesterly from the Southwest corner of Lot 3 in said Block 14, thence North 177.1 feet on a line parallel with the East line of said Lot 5, thence West and parallel with the North line of said Lot 5 a distance of 25 feet to a point hereinafter referred to as "Point A"; thence South and parallel with the East line of said Lot 5 to the Northerly line of Broadway for the point of beginning of this description, thence North on the last described line to said "Point A," thence West and parallel with the North line of said Lot 5 a distance of 10 feet, thence South and parallel with the East line of said Lot 5 to said Northerly line of Broadway, thence Northeasterly along said North line of Broadway to the point of beginning; subject to Broadway along the Southerly line.

(b) The following area is added to William O'Brien state park, all in Section 36, Township 32 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota: The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter.

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Signed by the governor March 26, 1996, 10:32 a.m.

## CHAPTER 373—S.F.No. 2260

An act relating to state government; modifying classifications for certain positions in the higher education system.

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

#### Section 1. UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS.

Employees in positions unclassified under Minnesota Statutes, section 43A.08, subdivision 1, clause (9), in the professional bargaining unit in technical colleges, or current or future colocated technical college and community colleges at the Minnesota state colleges and universities, have the same rights as classified employees relating to seniority, lay-off, and recall.

# Sec. 2. BARGAINING.

The exclusive representative for the professional bargaining unit and Minnesota state colleges and universities shall begin negotiations no later than July 1, 1996, to reach agreement regarding the remaining unclassified community college employees in the professional bargaining unit as to seniority, lay-off, and recall provisions. The parties shall also begin negotiations no later than July 1, 1996, regarding the right to just cause protection for employees in the customized trainer class.

#### Sec. 3. EXCEPTION.

Section 1 does not apply to technical college employees in the customized trainer class.

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# Sec. 4. DURATION.

Section 1 is effective until a memorandum of understanding is agreed to by the exclusive representative of the professional bargaining unit and Minnesota state colleges and universities, or until a successor agreement is negotiated by the parties.

#### Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 4 are effective the day following final enactment.

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## CHAPTER 374—S.F.No. 2552

An act relating to workers' compensation; modifying provisions governing calculation of premiums; modifying provisions relating to independent contractors; exempting certain rules from expiration; changing terms of a pilot program; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, sections 79.53, subdivision 1; 79.55, subdivision 5; 176.136, subdivision 1a; 176.1812, subdivisions 1 and 6; and 176.261; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 176.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, section 79.53, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **METHOD OF CALCULATION.** Each insurer shall establish premiums to be paid by an employer according to its filed rates and rating plan as follows:

Rates shall be applied to an exposure base to yield a base premium which may be further increased or decreased up to 25 percent modified by merit rating, premium discounts, and other appropriate factors contained in the rating plan of an insurer to produce premium if the increase or decrease is not unfairly discriminatory. Nothing in this chapter shall be deemed to prohibit the use of any premium, provided the premium is not excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, section 79.55, subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. **DISCOUNTS PERMITTED.** An insurer may offer a scheduled credit or debit to discount from a manual premium of up to 25 percent if the premium otherwise complies with this section. The commissioner shall not by rule, or otherwise, prohibit a credit or discount from a manual premium solely because it is greater than a certain fixed percentage of the premium.

## Sec. 3. [176.042] INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.

Subdivision 1. GENERAL RULE; ARE EMPLOYEES. Except as provided in subdivision 2, every independent contractor doing commercial or residential building

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