Sec. 3. FINDINGS.

The legislature finds that extra unemployment benefits in addition to those provided for under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 268, may be appropriate in the event of a large layoff only where the following conditions are met:

(1) the employer involved in the layoff has permanently ceased operations and has commenced bankruptcy proceedings;

(2) the community or communities in which the affected employees live is disproportionately affected by the layoff;

(3) the community or communities in which the affected employees live is in a remote location where opportunities for reemployment are limited; and

(4) employees receive extra benefits only while they are making satisfactory progress in an education or job training program.

In cases where these criteria are not fully met, the legislature finds that the availability of benefits should be limited to the amount and duration provided by Minnesota Statutes, chapter 268, including any additional benefits available under Minnesota Statutes, section 268.125.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 3 are effective the day following final enactment and are retroactive to August 1, 2000.

Presented to the governor April 11, 2001

Signed by the governor April 11, 2001, 4:47 p.m.

CHAPTER 31-S.F.No. 274

An act relating to professions; extending the expiration date of the respiratory care practitioner advisory council; providing for cancellation of athletic trainer registration for nonrenewal after two years; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 147C.35, subdivision 2; and 148.7809, subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 147C.35, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. ORGANIZATION. The advisory council shall be organized and administered under section 15.059. The council expires June 30, 2001 2003.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 148.7809, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.

Subd. 4. LAPSE OF REGISTRATION STATUS. (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), an athletic trainer whose registration has lapsed must:

(1) apply for registration renewal under this section; and

(2) submit evidence satisfactory to the board from a licensed medical physician verifying employment in athletic training for eight weeks every three years during the time of the lapse in registration.

(b) The board shall not renew, reissue, reinstate, or restore a registration that has lapsed after June 30, 1999, and has not been renewed within two annual renewal cycles starting July 1, 2001. An athletic trainer whose registration is canceled for nonrenewal must obtain a new registration by applying for registration and fulfilling all requirements then in existence for an initial registration.

Presented to the governor April 20, 2001

Signed by the governor April 24, 2001, 10:05 a.m.

CHAPTER 32-S.F.No. 283

An act relating to natural resources; clarifying the prohibition of the commissioner of natural resources in establishing quotas for enforcement officer activity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 84.0285.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 84.0285, is amended to read:

84.0285 GAME AND FISH CITATION QUOTAS PROHIBITED.

The commissioner of natural resources, or the director of the division of enforcement and field service, may not order, mandate, require, or in any manner suggest, directly or indirectly, to a conservation officer that the conservation officer issue a certain number of game and fish law violations on a daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, or yearly quota basis, except that the commissioner or director may utilize a conservation officer's total enforcement activity, in comparison to the total enforcement activity of all conservation officers, in the evaluation of an officer's performance.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective the day following final enactment. Presented to the governor April 20, 2001 Signed by the governor April 24, 2001, 9:55 a.m.

CHAPTER 33-S.F.No. 1435

An act relating to state government; modifying provisions relating to the designer selection board; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 16B.33, subdivision 4.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.