as separate classes of governmental units, businesses, or individuals; and

- (6) the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the proposed rule, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals; and
- (6) (7) an assessment of any differences between the proposed rule and existing federal regulations and a specific analysis of the need for and reasonableness of each difference.

The statement must describe how the agency, in developing the rules, considered and implemented the legislative policy supporting performance-based regulatory systems set forth in section 14.002.

The statement must also describe the agency's efforts to provide additional notification under section 14.14, subdivision 1a, to persons or classes of persons who may be affected by the proposed rule or must explain why these efforts were not made.

The agency must send a copy of the statement of need and reasonableness to the legislative reference library when the notice of hearing is mailed under section 14.14, subdivision 1a.

## Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective July 1, 2003, and applies to a rulemaking proceeding for which notice of intent to adopt rules is published in the State Register on or after that date.

Presented to the governor March 20, 2003

Signed by the governor March 24, 2003, 9:30 a.m.

## CHAPTER 4—H.F.No. 95

An act relating to commerce; eliminating an archaic prohibition on misrepresenting the size of certain items; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 325F.38.

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

Section 1. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 325F.38, is repealed.

Presented to the governor March 27, 2003

Signed by the governor March 31, 2003, 10:05 a.m.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by strikeout.