

CHAPTER 960—H. F. No. 1577

An act regulating the business of junk dealers and dealers in secondhand goods and the purchase of wire and similar items and keeping of records thereof; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 614.18.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 614.18, is amended to read:

614.18 Purchase or pledge from minor prohibited.
Subdivision 1. It shall be unlawful for any junk dealer, pawnbroker, or secondhand dealer to purchase or to receive on deposit or pledge anything of value as security for a loan of money from any person under lawful age.

Subd. 2. Every person, firm or corporation, including an agent, employee or representative thereof, engaging in the business of buying and selling wire and cable commonly and customarily used by communication and electric utilities shall keep a record, in the English language, legibly written in ink or typewriting, at the time of each purchase or acquisition, an accurate account or description, including the weight if customarily purchased by weight, of such wire and cable commonly and customarily used by communication and electric utilities purchased or acquired, the date, time and place of the receipt of the same, the name and address of the person selling or delivering the same and the number of the driver's license of such person. Such record, as well as such wire and cable commonly and customarily used by communication and electric utilities purchased or received, shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of any sheriff or deputy sheriff of the county, or of any policeman or constable in any incorporated city or village, in which such business may be carried on. Such person shall not be required to furnish or keep such record of any property purchased from merchants, manufacturers or wholesale dealers, having an established place of business, or of any goods purchased at open sale from any bankrupt stock, but a bill of sale or other evidence of open or legitimate purchase of such property shall be obtained and kept by such person which must be shown upon demand to the sheriff or deputy sheriff of the county, or to any policeman or constable in any incorporated city or village, in which such business may be carried on. The provisions of this subdivision and of subdivision 3 shall not apply to or include any person, firm or corporation engaged exclusively in the business of buying or selling motor vehicles, new or used, paper or wood products, rags or furniture, secondhand machinery.

Subd. 3. It shall be the duty of every such person, firm or corporation defined in subdivision 2 hereof, to make out and to deliver or mail to the office of the sheriff of the county in which business is conducted, not later than the second business day of each week, a legible and correct copy of the record required in subdivision 2 of the entries during the preceding week. In the event such person, firm or corporation has not made any purchases or acquisitions required to be recorded under subdivision 2 hereof during the preceding week no report need be submitted to the sheriff under this subdivision.

Subd. 4. Records required to be maintained by this act shall be retained by the person making them for a period of three years.

Approved April 29, 1957.

CHAPTER 961—S.F. No. 704

An act relating to the taxation of motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.013, Subdivision 1, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.013, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1955, Chapter 605, Section 1, is amended to read:

168.013 Rate of tax. Subdivision 1. Computation. Motor vehicles, except as set forth in section 168.012, using the public streets or highways in the state, shall be taxed in lieu of all other taxes thereon, except wheelage taxes, so-called, which may be imposed by any borough, city or village, as provided by law, and except gross earnings taxes paid by companies subject or made subject thereto, and shall be privileged to use the public streets and highways, on the basis and at the rate for each calendar year as follows:

1. On passenger automobiles, house trailers, ambulances, and hearses, except as otherwise provided, the tax during each the first three years of life shall be based on the manufacturer's shipping weight and graduated according to the following schedule:

Manufacturer's Shipping Weight	Tax
Under 801 lbs., incl.	\$ 5.00
801 to 2000 lbs., incl.	15.20
2001 to 2200 lbs., incl.	16.80