## CHAPTER 27-S.F.No.401

An act relating to motor vehicles, modifying certain motor vehicle dealer licensing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 168.27, Subdivisions 2 and 10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 168.27, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. MOTOR VEHICLES; NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LICENSES. No person shall engage in the business of selling new motor vehicles or shall offer to sell, solicit or advertise the sale of new motor vehicles without first acquiring a new motor vehicle dealer license. A new motor vehicle dealer licensee shall be entitled thereunder to sell, broker, wholesale or auction and to solicit and advertise the sale, broker, wholesale or auction of new motor vehicles covered by his franchise and any used motor vehicles or to lease; broker, wholesale or auction and to solicit and advertise the sale, lease; broker, wholesale or auction of both new motor vehicles covered by his franchise and any used motor vehicles and such sales or leases may be either for consumer use at retail or for resale to a dealer.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 168.27, Subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. PLACE OF DOING BUSINESS. All licensees under this section shall have an established place of business which shall include as a minimum,

(1) For a new motor vehicle dealer, the following:

(a) a permanent enclosed commercial building on a permanent foundation, owned or under lease by the licensee. The lease shall be for a minimum term of one year. The building shall contain office space where the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business are kept and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours;

(b) a bona fide contract or franchise in effect with a manufacturer or distributor of the new motor vehicles or new motor vehicles he proposes to deal in sell, broker, wholesale or auction;

(c) a facility for the repair and servicing of motor vehicles and the storage of parts and accessories, not to exceed ten miles distance from the principal place of business. Such service may be provided through contract with bona fide operators actually engaged in such services.

(2) For a used motor vehicle dealer the following: a permanent enclosed commercial building on a permanent foundation, owned or under lease by the licensee.

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The lease shall be for a minimum term of one year. The building shall contain office space for the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours or automatic telephone answering service during normal working hours.

(3) For a motor vehicle lessor, the following: a permanent enclosed commercial building on a permanent foundation, owned or under lease by the licensee. The lease shall be for a minimum term of one year. The building shall contain office space where the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business are kept and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours or an automatic telephone answering service during normal business hours.

(4) For a motor vehicle broker, the following: a commercial office space where the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business are kept and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours or an automatic telephone answering service during normal business hours.

(5) For a motor vehicle wholesaler, the following: a commercial office space where the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business are kept and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours or an automatic telephone answering service during normal business hours.

(6) For a motor vehicle auctioneer, the following: a permanent enclosed commercial building, within or without the state, on a permanent foundation, owned or under lease by the licensee. The lease shall be for a minimum term of one year. The building shall contain office space where the books, records and files necessary to conduct the business are kept and maintained with personnel available during normal business hours or an automatic telephone answering service during normal business hours.

(7) If a new or used motor vehicle dealer maintains more than one place of doing business in a county, the separate places shall be listed on the application. If additional places of business are maintained outside of one county, separate licenses shall be obtained for each county.

(8) If a motor vehicle lessor, broker or auctioneer maintains more than one permanent place of doing business, either in one or more counties, the separate places shall be listed in the application, but only one license shall be required.

Sec. 3. This act is effective on the day following final enactment.

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## CHAPTER 28-H.F.No.235

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An act relating to agriculture; soybean research and promotion council; powers of the Changes or additions indicated by <u>underline</u> deletions by strikeout