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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 169.82, is amended to read:

169.82 TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; TOWED VEHICLES; FLAGS; TRAILER EQUIPMENT. Any trailer exceeding a gross weight of 6,000 pounds shall be equipped with brakes adequate to stop and hold such trailer, and which are so constructed that they will so operate whenever such trailer becomes detached from the towing vehicle.

When one vehicle is towing another the draw-bar or other connection shall be of sufficient strength to pull all weight towed thereby, and said draw-bar or other connection shall not exceed 15 feet from one vehicle to the other except the connection between any two vehicles transporting poles, pipe, machinery or other objects of structural nature which cannot readily be dismembered.

When one vehicle is towing another and the connection consists of a chain, rope, or cable, there shall be displayed upon such connection a white, red, yellow or orange flag or cloth not less than 12 inches square.

Every trailer or semi-trailer shall be hitched to the motor vehicles furnishing the tractive power for it by a device approved by the commissioner of public safety as safe and in addition shall be equipped with safety chains permanently attached to the trailer except that where the coupling device is a regulation fifth wheel and king pin assembly approved by the commissioner of public safety such safety chains shall not be required. In towing, such chains shall be carried through a ring on the tow-bar and attached to the towing vehicle, and shall be of sufficient strength to control the trailer in event of failure of the towing device.

Approved March 7, 1973.

CHAPTER 11-S.F.No.5

An act relating to public safety; exits and fire drills in educational institutions; fire marshal's duties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 299F.30, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 299F.30, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

299F.30 PUBLIC SAFETY; FIRE DRILLS REQUIRED IN SCHOOLS; DOORS AND EXITS TO BE KEPT OPEN. Subdivision 1. It shall be the duty of the state fire marshal, his deputies and assistants, to require teachers of public and private schools and educational institutions to have one at least nine fire drill drills each month school year and to keep all doors and exits unlocked from the inside of the building during school hours.

Approved March 7, 1973.

CHAPTER 12—S.F.No.63

An act relating to real property; time limits upon certain actions relating to; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Sections 519.09 and 519.101.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 519.09, is amended to read:

- 519.09 **DOWER AND CURTESY ABOLISHED.** All inchoate estates or statutory interests in lieu of dower and curtesy in all lands in this state which have been conveyed prior to January 1, 1950 1960, by the husband or wife of the one entitled to such inchoate dower or curtesy, or statutory interest, by a conveyance in writing, are hereby abolished.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 519.101, is amended to read:
- 519.101 ACTIONS NOT MAINTAINABLE. No action for the recovery of real property, or of any right therein, or the possession thereof, shall be maintained by any person having any estate in dower or by the curtesy or any estate or statutory interest in lieu of dower or by the curtesy therein, or by anyone claiming, by, through or under any such person, where it appears that the husband or wife of such person conveyed such real property, or any interest therein, by a conveyance in writing, prior to the first day

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