

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 63.36, is amended to read as follows:

**63.36. Certain organizations exempted.** No employer shall make deductions from the wages of his employees for the purpose of furnishing them with *life insurance, funeral benefits*, medical or hospital care, accident, sickness or old age insurance or benefits, unless he first receives from the commissioner of insurance a license for the benefit plan he operates or proposes to operate. Such license shall be granted only when the commissioner is satisfied that the benefits given are commensurate with the charges made and that the charges will keep the fund solvent. All such licenses shall be for the period of one year. The commissioner may require a statement of the operation of the fund, on a form to be prescribed by him, before granting a renewal. The fee for any such license is \$1.00 and for filing the annual statement \$1.00. Before granting a license the commissioner of insurance shall submit the proposed plan to the chairman of the industrial commission in order that he may determine whether the benefits are in conjunction with benefits under the workmen's compensation act. This section shall not apply to deductions made from employees' wages for group insurance issued by insurers authorized to transact business in this state.

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#### CHAPTER 291—H. F. No. 796

*An act relating to the right of persons insured by domestic Mutual Life Insurance Companies to vote at meetings thereof and providing for notices of such meetings; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 61.04.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 61.04, is amended to read as follows:

**61.04. Rights of members of domestic mutual companies.** Every person insured by a domestic mutual life insurance company shall be a member, entitled to one vote and one vote additional for each \$1,000 of insurance in excess of the first

\$1,000; provided, that no member shall be entitled to more than 100 votes; and, provided, further, that in the case of group insurance on employees such group shall be deemed to be a single member and the employer shall be deemed to be such member for the purpose of voting, having not to exceed 100 votes, provided, that in cases where the employees pay all or any part of the premium, either directly or by payroll deductions, the employees shall be allowed to choose their representative, who shall exercise a voting power in proportion to the percentage of premium paid by such employees. Every member shall be notified of its annual meetings by a written notice mailed to his address, or by an imprint on the back of his policy, *premium notice*, receipt or certificate of renewal, as follows:

“The insured is hereby notified that by virtue of his policy he is a member of the ..... Insurance Company, and that the annual meetings of said company are held at its home office on the ..... day of ..... in each year, at ..... o'clock.” .....

The blanks shall be duly filled in print. Any member of a domestic life insurance company may vote by proxy, provided, that the written proxy appointment shall be filed with the company at least five days before the meeting at which it is to be used.

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#### CHAPTER 292—H. F. No. 798

[Section 2 Coded as Section 73.171]

*An act authorizing the adoption, promulgation, and enforcement of uniform rules and regulations for the safekeeping, storage, handling, use, transportation, or other disposition of flammable liquids; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 73.17.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 73.17, is hereby amended to read: