

CHAPTER 660—H. F. No. 21

An act relating to the giving of proof of financial responsibility by owners and drivers of motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 170.21, Subdivision 10; Section 170.25, Subdivision 3; Section 170.34, Subdivision 1; and Section 170.40, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 170.21, Subdivision 10, is amended to read :

Subd. 10. "Proof of Financial Responsibility" means proof of ability to respond in damages for liability, on account of accidents occurring subsequent to the effective date of said proof, arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle, in the amount of \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, and, subject to said limit for one person, in the amount of \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of \$2,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 170.25, Subdivision 3, is amended to read :

Subd. 3. No such policy or bond shall be effective under this section unless issued by an insurance carrier or surety company authorized to do business in this state, except that if such motor vehicle was not registered in this state, or was a motor vehicle which was registered elsewhere than in this state at the effective date of the policy or bond, or the most recent renewal thereof, such policy or bond shall not be effective under this section unless the insurance carrier or surety company, if not authorized to do business in this state, shall execute a power of attorney authorizing the commissioner to accept service, on its behalf, of notice of process in any action upon such policy or bond arising out of such accident; provided, every such policy or bond is subject, if the accident has resulted in bodily injury or death, to a limit, exclusive of interest and costs, of not less than \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to said limit for one person, to a limit of not less than \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and, if the accident has resulted in injury to or destruction of property, to a limit of not less than \$2,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident. Upon receipt of a report of an accident and information that an automobile liability policy or

surety bond was in effect at the time of the accident, the commissioner shall forward by United States mail to the insurance carrier or surety company copy of such information and shall assume that such policy or bond was in effect and provided coverage to both the owner and the driver unless the insurance carrier or surety company shall notify the commissioner otherwise within 30 days from the mailing of the notice to the insurance carrier; provided that if the commissioner shall later ascertain that a policy or bond was not in effect and did not provide coverage for both the owner and the driver, he shall at such time take such action as he is otherwise authorized to do under this chapter.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 170.34, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

170.34 Satisfaction of judgment. Subdivision 1. Judgments herein referred to shall, for the purpose of this chapter only, be deemed satisfied:

(1) When \$10,000 has been credited upon any judgment or judgments rendered in excess of that amount because of bodily injury to or death of one person as the result of any one accident; or

(2) When, subject to such limit of \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person, the sum of \$20,000 has been credited upon any judgment or judgments rendered in excess of that amount because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons as the result of any one accident; or

(3) When \$2,000 has been credited upon any judgment or judgments rendered in excess of that amount because of damage to or destruction of property of others as a result of any one accident.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 170.40, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Such owner's policy of liability insurance:

(1) Shall designate by explicit description or by appropriate reference all motor vehicles with respect to which coverage is thereby to be granted; and

(2) Shall insure the person named therein and any other person, as insured, using any such motor vehicle or motor vehicles with the express or implied permission of such named insured, against loss from liability imposed by law for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of such motor vehicle or motor vehicles within the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada, subject to limits ex-

clusive of interest and costs, with respect to each such motor vehicle, as follows: \$10,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and, subject to said limit for one person, \$20,000 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and \$2,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

Approved April 23, 1953.

CHAPTER 661—H. F. No. 66

[Coded]

An act prescribing that certain defined conduct shall constitute disorderly conduct and a misdemeanor and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof.

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

Section 1. [615.17] **Brawling or fighting, disorderly conduct.** Every person who engages in brawling or fighting, shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, herein defined to be a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$100 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not to exceed 90 days.

Approved April 23, 1953.

CHAPTER 662—H. F. No. 113

[Coded]

An act relating to summoning and selection of jurors in certain cases.

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

Section 1. [593.135] **Jurors; summoning and selecting in certain cases.** A county commissioner who has participated in the selection from the qualified voters of the county [of] a list of petit jurors as provided in Laws 1951, Chapter 449, shall not be tried on a charge of crime before a jury impaneled from a venire drawn from such list, but in such case, the jury panel from which the jury for the trial of such criminal charge is selected shall be provided by the judge or judges of the district court of the district wherein such county commissioner is to be tried. Such judge or judges may by order filed with the clerk of court of such county at least 15 days before the