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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3720

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to employment; providing for the minimum age for safe amusement ride
1.3 operation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 181A.04, subdivision 5;
1.4 184B.021.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 181A.04, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 5. **Hazardous occupations.** (a) No minor under the age of 18 shall be permitted
1.8 to work in any occupation which the commissioner shall find to be particularly hazardous
1.9 for the employment of children under 18 years of age or detrimental to their well-being. A
1.10 list of such occupations shall be established and promulgated by rule pursuant to section
1.11 181A.09.

1.12 (b) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, this subdivision does not apply to
1.13 the following:

1.14 (1) minors employed in retail stores that are nonseasonal and are of a nontransient nature
1.15 and which sell or offer for sale explosives or pyrotechnics; or

1.16 (2) minors, at least 16 years of age, employed in an amusement park in the loading or
1.17 unloading of passengers on rides or in the operation of amusement rides, as defined in
1.18 section 184B.01.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 184B.021, is amended to read:

2.2 **184B.021 RIDE OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS.**

2.3 Subdivision 1. **Minimum age of ride operators.** Ride operators must be at least 16
2.4 years of age.

2.5 Subd. 2. **Training of ride operators.** The owner of an amusement ride must have a
2.6 documented training policy for the operation of an amusement ride. The ride owner must
2.7 maintain a written certification for each person controlling the physical operation of an
2.8 amusement ride that the person has received the training for the ride that is required by the
2.9 documented training policy.