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169.974 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATION

(d) Drive the motorcycle without wearing protective headgear of a type approved by the commissioner of public safety.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, the commissioner of public safety may, however, issue a special motorcycle permit, restricted or qualified in such manner as he shall deem proper, to any person demonstrating a need therefor and unable to qualify for a standard driver's license.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 4. **Equipment for operators and passengers.** (a) No person under the age of 18 shall operate or ride a motorcycle on the streets and highways of this state, unless he is wearing protective headgear that complies with standards established by the commissioner of public safety; and no person shall operate a motorcycle unless he is wearing an eye-protective device except when the motorcycle is equipped with a wind screen.

(b) The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to persons during their participation in a parade for which parade a permit or other official authorization has been granted by a local governing body or other governmental authority or to persons riding within an enclosed cab.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 6. **Negligence; damages without protective headgear.** In an action to recover damages for negligence resulting in any head injury to an operator or passenger of a motorcycle, evidence of whether or not the injured person was wearing protective headgear of a type approved by the commissioner shall be admissible only with respect to the question of damages for head injuries. Damages for head injuries of any person who was not wearing protective headgear shall be reduced to the extent that those injuries could have been avoided by wearing protective headgear of a type approved by the commissioner. For the purposes of this subdivision "operator or passenger" means any operator or passenger regardless of whether that operator or passenger was required by law to wear protective headgear approved by the commissioner.

Subd. 7. **Noise limits.** After December 31, 1978, noise regulations adopted by the pollution control agency for motor vehicles pursuant to section 169.693 shall also apply to motorcycles.

[1977 c 17 s 1-4; 1977 c 134 s 1]

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171.01 Definitions.

[For text of subds 1 to 16, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 17. "Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, including motor scooters and bicycles with motor attached, but excluding tractors and motorized bicycles.

[For text of subds 18 and 19, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 20. "Motorized bicycle" means a bicycle with fully operatable pedals

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which may be propelled by human power or a motor, or by both, with a motor of a capacity of less than 50 cubic centimeters piston displacement, and a maximum of two brake horsepower, which is capable of a maximum speed of not more than 30 miles per hour on a flat surface with not more than one percent grade in any direction when the motor is engaged.

[1977 c 214 s 10,11]

171.02 License; surrender of other licenses.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3. **Motorized bicycles.** No motorized bicycle shall be operated on any public roadway by any person who does not possess a valid drivers license, unless such person has obtained a motorized bicycle operator's permit from the commissioner of public safety. Such permit may be issued to any person who has attained the age of 15 years and who has passed the examination prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner may promulgate rules and regulations prescribing the content of such examination and the information to be contained on the permit.

[1977 c 214 s 12]

171.07 Department to issue license and nonqualification certificates; anatomical gift indication.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3. Upon payment of the required fee for a driver's license bearing a colored photograph, the department may issue to every applicant who does not physically qualify for a driver's license, or any person not currently licensed to drive, who does not intend to apply for a driver's license under this section or who wishes to discontinue driving and surrenders his current driver's license, a Minnesota identification card. The card shall bear thereon a distinguishing number assigned to the applicant, the full name, date of birth, residence address, a description of the applicant in such manner as the commissioner deems necessary, and a space upon which the applicant shall write his usual signature with pen and ink.

Each Minnesota identification card shall be on an all plastic or laminated plastic card of a distinguishing color and plainly marked "non-driver". The fee for a Minnesota identification card issued to any person who is mentally retarded, as defined in section 252A.02, subdivision 2, shall be 50 cents.

Subd. 4. The expiration date of Minnesota identification cards of applicants under the age of 65 shall be the birthday of the applicant in the fourth year following the date of issuance of the card. Minnesota identification cards issued to applicants age 65 or over shall be valid for the lifetime of the applicant.

Subd. 5. The department may provide a donor document to each person making application for a driver's license or a Minnesota identification card whereby any such person, 18 years of age or more, may execute an anatomical gift, pursuant to the provisions of the uniform anatomical gift act, sections 525.921 to 525.93. The commissioner of public safety shall prescribe the form of the donor document. The donor document must be signed by the donor in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the donor document in the donor's presence. If the donor cannot sign, the donor document may be signed for the donor at the donor's direction, in the donor's presence, and in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the donor document in the donor's presence. The department shall identify donors of anatomical gifts by the designation "donor" on the front side of the donor's driver's license or Minnesota identification card. The designation "donor" shall constitute sufficient

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legal authority for the removal of all body organs or parts upon death of the donor for the purpose of transplantation and the designation shall be removed only upon written notice to the department. No designation may be noted upon the driver's license or Minnesota identification card of any person under 18. Delivery of the license or Minnesota identification card during the donor's lifetime is not necessary to make the gift valid.

[1977 c 361 s 1-3]

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174.02 Commissioner; powers; duties.

Subdivision 1. **Appointment.** The department shall be supervised and controlled by the commissioner of transportation, who shall be appointed by the governor and serve under the provisions of section 15.06.

[For text of subds 2 to 5, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 305 s 23]

174.06 Transfer of powers.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1977 c 454 s 49]

[For text of subds 5 and 6, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 7. **Proposals for implementation.** It is the intent of the legislature that gas, oil, slur and other pipelines, long distance conveyor belt systems and other modes of transportation not now regulated by the state be constructed and operated in a manner that best serves the public good and complements other means of transportation. The commissioner of transportation shall submit to the governor and the legislature, no later than January 1, 1979, specific proposals, drafted in bill form if appropriate, to implement this policy within the areas of responsibility assigned to the department of transportation.

[For text of subd 8, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 124 s 1]

174.14 Value analysis of projects; policy.

The legislature finds that the application of the principles and techniques of value analysis in reducing the cost of state construction projects is in the interest of the efficient operation of state government. It is therefore the policy of the legislature to support, encourage and, where necessary, to authorize the application of some or all of those principles by agencies and departments of the state.

[1977 c 251 s 1]