### **CHAPTER 299**

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#### 299.01 TAX ON ROYALTIES.

Subdivision 1. There shall be levied and collected upon all royalty received during each calendar year for permission to explore, mine, take out and remove ore from land in this state, a tax of 15 percent before January 1, 1986, a tax of 14.5 percent after December 31, 1985, and before January 1, 1987, and a tax of 14 percent after December 31, 1986.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1985 c 300 s 30]

History: 1985 c 300 s 24; 1Sp1985 c 14 art 10 s 24

# 299.012 TAX CREDIT UPON PRODUCTION OF HIGH LABOR COST ORES AND TACONITES.

Subdivision 1. For the purpose of increasing the utilization of low-grade, underground, and high labor cost ores and taconites, the royalty tax levied by virtue of section 299.01 on royalty received because of the production of ores in any calendar year from land forming part of any mine which was in production during said year, shall be reduced by a credit in an amount which will make the net effective tax rate thereon equal to the net effective rate of the occupation tax imposed pursuant to section 298.01, because of the production of ores during such calendar year from the mine of which such land forms a part, after the application of the credits against such occupation tax allowed under section 298.02; provided, if such mine produced ore in such calendar year, but the ore produced had no valuation for occupation tax purposes because of the allowable deductions equaling or exceeding the value of the ore produced, the credit allowed hereunder shall be three-fourths of 11 percent of the royalty received. Any person making payments of royalty taxes in advance of the final determination of such taxes, may assume for the purposes of section 299.08, that the net rate of the tax for the calendar year in question shall be the last full year's net effective occupation tax rate known at the time of the first payment of royalty tax during the current calendar year.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1984]

History: 1985 c 300 s 25

### 299.05 ASSESSMENT BY COMMISSIONER.

Upon receipt of the report provided for in section 299.03, the commissioner of revenue shall determine, from information as may be possessed, or obtained, whether the report is correct, or incorrect; and, if found correct, the commissioner shall determine the amount of tax due from the person, enter the amount of the tax in department records, make assessment of taxes due from the person, and the amount that has been paid; and, on or before June 30, of each year, demand payment from the person. The commissioner of revenue shall have power, in case he shall deem the report incorrect, or in case the report is not made and filed with the commissioner as provided in section 299.03, to make findings as to the amount of taxes due after hearing upon notice to the person interested, and the findings shall have the same

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effect as the determination of the amount of such taxes upon a report made as hereinbefore provided.

A person subletting land for the use of which is received royalty shall be required to pay taxes only on the difference between the amount of royalty paid by him or her and the amount received.

If the amount of tax determined by the commissioner is subsequently found to be erroneous, the commissioner may, at any time within three years from the date allowed above for the original assessment, redetermine the amount of the tax. No redetermination shall be made increasing the tax unless the person from whom the additional amount is due is given ten days written notice of the proposed increase and the person's right to a hearing pursuant to chapter 14. Any person who has paid a royalty tax may apply to the commissioner within three years from the date allowed above for the original assessment for a redetermination of the tax and if the commissioner determines that the tax has been overpaid, he or she shall make and file an order determining the amount of the overpayment and credit the overpayment against the royalty taxes otherwise payable by the person who overpaid the tax. If the tax is increased, interest at the rate specified in section 270.75 from the date payment should have been made shall be determined and added to the tax. If the tax is reduced, interest at the rate specified in section 270.76 from the date of the overpayment shall be allowed.

History: 1Sp1985 c 14 art 15 s 16