

CHAPTER 299A

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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[For text of subds 1 to 5, see M.S.1984]

Subd. 6. The commissioner of public safety shall have the power to promulgate such rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 14, as are necessary to carry out the purposes of Laws 1969, chapter 1129. In addition, the commissioner may prescribe by rule fees for the rental of films from the department.

History: *1Sp1985 c 10 s 87*

299A.02 COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND REVENUE; LIQUOR CONTROL FUNCTIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Director of division of liquor control.** No employee of the department of public safety or the department of revenue having any responsibility for the administration or enforcement of Laws 1985, chapter 305, articles 2 to 11 shall have a direct or indirect interest, except through ownership or investment in pension or mutual funds, in the manufacture, transportation or sale of intoxicating liquor or any malt or vinous beverages, intoxicating, nonintoxicating, or commercial or industrial alcohol. The commissioner of public safety or the commissioner of revenue may remove an employee of his department in the unclassified civil service for any intentional violation of any provision in Laws 1985, chapter 305, articles 2 to 11. Intentional violation of the preceding sections by a classified employee of one of the departments may be grounds for removal of that employee pursuant to section 43A.33.

Subd. 2. **General powers.** The commissioner shall administer and enforce the provisions of Laws 1985, chapter 305, articles 2 to 11 except for those provisions thereof for which administration and enforcement are reserved to the commissioner of revenue.

Subd. 3. **Reports; rules.** The commissioner shall have power to require periodic factual reports from all licensed importers, manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers of intoxicating liquors and to make all reasonable rules to effect the object of Laws 1985, chapter 305, articles 2 to 11. The rules shall include provisions for assuring the purity of intoxicating liquors and the true statement of its contents and proper labeling thereof with regard to all forms of sale.

Subd. 4. **Subpoenas.** In all matters relating to his official duties, the commissioner shall have the powers possessed by courts of law to issue subpoenas and cause them to be served and enforced. All public officials, and their respective deputies and employees, and all individuals, partnerships, firms, corporations, incorporated and unincorporated associations, and others who manufacture, transport, or sell intoxicating liquor, or are connected therewith in any manner, shall at all times attend and answer under oath the commissioner's lawful inquiries, produce and exhibit such books, accounts, documents and property as he may desire to inspect, and in all things aid him in the performance of his duties.

History: *1985 c 305 art 12 s 2*