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CHAPTER 645

INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES

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Each act, except one making appropriations, enacted finally at any session of the legislature takes effect on August 1 next following its final enactment, unless a different date is specified in the act. A special law required to be approved by the local government unit affected before it goes into effect becomes effective as to the approving unit the day following the day on which the certificate of approval prescribed by section 645.021 is filed with the secretary of state, unless a later date is specified in the act. When approval of such a special law is required by two or more local government units before it may become effective, the day after the day when the last of the required certificates is filed is the effective date, unless a later date is specified in the act.

An appropriation act or an act having appropriation items enacted finally at any session of the legislature takes effect at the beginning of the first day of July next following its final enactment, unless a different date is specified in the act.

Each act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day it becomes effective, unless a different time is specified in the act.

History: 1987 c 384 art 1 s 48

645.445 SMALL BUSINESS; DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1986]

- Subd. 2. "Small business" means a business entity organized for profit, including but not limited to any individual, partnership, corporation, joint venture, association or cooperative, which entity:
- (a) Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation; and
 - (b) Has 20 or fewer full-time employees; or
- (c) In the preceding fiscal year has not had more than the equivalent of \$1,000,000 in annual gross revenues; or
- (d) If the business is a technical or professional service, shall not have had more than the equivalent of \$2,500,000 in annual gross revenues in the preceding fiscal year.
- Subd. 3. "Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than 20 full-time employees and more than \$1,000,000 in annual gross revenues or \$2,500,000 in annual gross revenues if a technical or professional service.

[For text of subd 4, see M.S. 1986]

Subd. 5. "Socially or economically disadvantaged person" means a person who has been deprived of the opportunity to develop and maintain a competitive position in the economy because of social or economic conditions. This disadvantage may arise from cultural, social or economic circumstances, or background, physical location if the person resides or is employed in an area designated a labor surplus area by the United States Department of Labor, or other similar cause. It includes racial minorities, women, or persons who have suffered a substantial physical disability. For purposes of sections 16B.19 to 16B.22 and 137.31, the definition of "socially or economically disadvantaged person" includes sheltered workshops and work activity programs.

History: 1987 c 365 s 21,22; 1987 c 401 s 31