## CHAPTER 12

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

12.31 National security or peacetime emergency; declaration. 12.38 State agencies; temporary waiver of fees.

## 12.31 NATIONAL SECURITY OR PEACETIME EMERGENCY; DECLARATION.

Subdivision 1. **Declaration of national security emergency.** When information from the President of the United States, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Department of Defense, or the National Warning System indicates the imminence of a national security emergency within the United States, which means the several states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the occurrence within the state of Minnesota of a major disaster from enemy sabotage or other hostile action, the governor may, by proclamation, declare that a national security emergency exists in all or any part of the state. If the legislature is then in regular session or, if it is not, if the governor concurrently with the proclamation declaring the emergency issues a call convening immediately both houses of the legislature, the governor may exercise for a period not to exceed 30 days the powers and duties conferred and imposed by sections 12.31 to 12.37. The lapse of these emergency powers does not, as regards any act occurring or committed within the 30-day period, deprive any person, political subdivision, municipal corporation, or body politic of any right to compensation or reimbursement that it may have under this chapter.

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.2000]

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## 12.38 STATE AGENCIES; TEMPORARY WAIVER OF FEES.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a state agency as defined in section 16B.01, subdivision 2, with the approval of the governor, may waive fees that would otherwise be charged for agency services. The waiver of fees must be confined to geographic areas within a presidentially declared disaster area, and to the minimum periods of time necessary to deal with the emergency situation. The requirements of section 14.05, subdivision 4, do not apply to a waiver made under this section. The agency must promptly report the reasons for and the impact of any suspended fees to the chairs of the legislative committees that oversee the policy and budgetary affairs of the agency.

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