CHAPTER 295

COMPANIES SUBJECT TO GROSS EARNINGS TAXES

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295.50 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subds 1 to 2a, see M.S.2000]

- Subd. 3. Gross revenues. "Gross revenues" are total amounts received in money or otherwise by:
 - (1) a hospital for patient services;
 - (2) a surgical center for patient services;
- (3) a health care provider, other than a staff model health carrier, for patient services;
- (4) a wholesale drug distributor for sale or distribution of legend drugs that are delivered in Minnesota by the wholesale drug distributor, by common carrier, or by mail, unless the legend drugs are delivered to another wholesale drug distributor who sells legend drugs exclusively at wholesale. Legend drugs do not include nutritional products as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0325; and
- (5) a staff model health plan company as gross premiums for enrollees, copayments, deductibles, coinsurance, and fees for patient services.
 - Subd. 4. Health care provider. (a) "Health care provider" means:
- (1) a person whose health care occupation is regulated or required to be regulated by the state of Minnesota furnishing any or all of the following goods or services directly to a patient or consumer: medical, surgical, optical, visual, dental, hearing, nursing services, drugs, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services;
- (2) a person who provides goods and services not listed in clause (1) that qualify for reimbursement under the medical assistance program provided under chapter 256B;
 - (3) a staff model health plan company;
 - (4) an ambulance service required to be licensed; or
- (5) a person who sells or repairs hearing aids and related equipment or prescription eyewear.
 - (b) Health care provider does not include:
- (1) hospitals; medical supplies distributors, except as specified under paragraph (a), clause (5); nursing homes licensed under chapter 144A or licensed in any other jurisdiction; pharmacies; surgical centers; bus and taxicab transportation, or any other providers of transportation services other than ambulance services required to be licensed; supervised living facilities for persons with mental retardation or related conditions, licensed under Minnesota Rules, parts 4665.0100 to 4665.9900; residential care homes licensed under chapter 144B; board and lodging establishments providing only custodial services that are licensed under chapter 157 and registered under section 157.17 to provide supportive services or health supervision services; adult foster homes as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9555.5105; day training and habilitation services for adults with mental retardation and related conditions as defined in section 252.41, subdivision 3; boarding care homes, as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 4655.0100; and adult day care centers as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9555.9600;
- (2) home health agencies as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0175, subpart 15; a person providing personal care services and supervision of personal care services

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as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0335; a person providing private duty nursing services as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0360; and home care providers required to be licensed under chapter 144A;

- (3) a person who employs health care providers solely for the purpose of providing patient services to its employees; and
- (4) an educational institution that employs health care providers solely for the purpose of providing patient services to its students if the institution does not receive fee for service payments or payments for extended coverage.

[For text of subds 6 to 14, see M.S.2000]

Subd. 15. Legend drug. "Legend drug" means a drug that is required by federal law to bear one of the following statements: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription" or "Rx only".

History: 1Sp2001 c 5 art 14 s 2-4

295.52 TAXES IMPOSED.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.2000]

- Subd. 4. Use tax; prescription drugs. (a) A person that receives prescription drugs for resale or use in Minnesota, other than from a wholesale drug distributor that is subject to tax under subdivision 3, is subject to a tax equal to the price paid to the wholesale drug distributor multiplied by the tax percentage specified in this section. Liability for the tax is incurred when prescription drugs are received or delivered in Minnesota by the person.
- (b) A person that receives prescription drugs for use in Minnesota from a nonresident pharmacy required to be registered under section 151.19 is subject to a tax equal to the price paid by the nonresident pharmacy to the wholesale drug distributor or the price received by the nonresident pharmacy, whichever is lower, multiplied by the tax percentage specified in this section. Liability for the tax is incurred when prescription drugs are received in Minnesota by the person.

[For text of subds 4a to 6, see M.S.2000]

Subd. 7. Tax reduction. Notwithstanding subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, and 4, the tax imposed under this section equals for calendar years 1998 to 2003, 1.5 percent of the gross revenues received on or after January 1, 1998, and before January 1, 2004.

History: 1Sp2001 c 5 art 14 s 5,6

295.55 PAYMENT OF TAX.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.2000]

Subd. 4. **Electronic payments.** A taxpayer with an aggregate tax liability of \$120,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all liabilities by electronic means in the subsequent calendar year.

[For text of subds 5 to 7, see M.S.2000]

History: 1Sp2001 c 5 art 17 s 14

295.57 COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT; REFUNDS; RULEMAKING; APPLICATION OF OTHER CHAPTERS; ACCESS TO RECORDS; INTEREST ON OVER-PAYMENTS.

Subdivision 1. Application of other chapters. Unless specifically provided otherwise by sections 295.50 to 295.59, the enforcement, interest, appeal, criminal penalties, and refunds provisions in chapter 289A, civil penalty provisions applicable to withholding and sales taxes under section 289A.60, and collection and rulemaking provisions under chapter 270, apply to taxes imposed under sections 295.50 to 295.59.

[For text of subds 2 to 4, see M.S.2000].

History: 1Sp2001 c 5 art 14 s 7

295.60 SPECIAL FUR CLOTHING TAX.

Subdivision 1. **Imposition.** If clothing made of fur is not subject to the sales tax under chapter 297A, a tax is imposed on each furrier equal to 6.5 percent of gross revenues from retail sales in Minnesota of clothing made from fur.

- Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.
 - (b) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of revenue.
 - (c) "Furrier" means a retailer that sells clothing made of fur.
- (d) "Clothing made of fur" means articles of clothing made of fur on the hide or pelt, and articles of clothing of which such fur is the component material of chief value, but only if such value is more than three times the value of the next most valuable material.
 - (e) "Retail sale" has the meaning given in section 297A.61, subdivision 4.
- Subd. 3. Payment. (a) Each furrier shall make estimated payments of the taxes for the calendar year in quarterly installments to the commissioner by April 15, July 15, October 15, and January 15 of the following calendar year.
- (b) Estimated tax payments are not required if:
 - (1) the tax for the current calendar year is less than \$500; or
- (2) the tax for the previous calendar year is less than \$500, if the taxpayer had a tax liability and was doing business the entire year.
- (c) Underpayment of estimated installments bear interest at the rate specified in section 270.75, from the due date of the payment until paid or until the due date of the annual return, whichever comes first. An underpayment of an estimated installment is the difference between the amount paid and the lesser of (1) 90 percent of one-quarter of the tax for the calendar year, or (2) one-quarter of the total tax for the previous calendar year if the taxpayer had a tax liability and was doing business the entire year.
- Subd. 4. Electronic funds transfer payments. A taxpayer with an aggregate tax liability of \$120,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all liabilities by electronic means.
- Subd. 5. Annual return. The taxpayer must file an annual return reconciling the estimated payments by March 15 of the following calendar year.
- Subd. 6. Form of returns. The estimated payments and annual return must contain the information and be in the form prescribed by the commissioner.
- Subd. 7. Application of other chapters. Unless specifically provided otherwise by this section, the enforcement, interest, and penalty provisions under chapter 294, appeal provisions in sections 289A.43 and 289A.65, criminal penalties in section 289A.63, refunds provisions in section 289A.50, and collection and rulemaking provisions under chapter 270, apply to a liability for the taxes imposed under this section.
- Subd. 8. Interest on overpayments. Interest must be paid on an overpayment refunded or credited to the taxpayer from the date of payment of the tax until the date the refund is paid or credited. For purposes of this subdivision, the date of payment is the due date of the return or the date of actual payment of the tax, whichever is later.
- Subd. 9. **Deposit of revenues.** The commissioner shall deposit all revenues, including penalties and interest, derived from the tax imposed by this section in the general fund.

History: 1Sp2001 c 5 art 12 s 4