340A.7035 CONSUMER IMPORTATION; ILLEGAL ACTS.

A person who enters Minnesota from another state and who imports or possesses alcoholic beverages in excess of the tax-exempt quantities provided for in section 297G.07, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), is guilty of a misdemeanor. A person who enters Minnesota from a foreign country who imports or possesses alcoholic beverages on which the excise tax imposed by chapter 297G has not been paid, other than the tax-exempt quantities provided for in section 297G.07, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), is guilty of a misdemeanor. A peace officer, the commissioner of public safety, and employees designated by the commissioner of public safety may seize alcoholic beverages imported or possessed in violation of this section. This section does not apply to the consignments of alcoholic beverages shipped into this state by holders of Minnesota import licenses or Minnesota manufacturers and wholesalers when licensed by the commissioner of public safety or to common carriers with licenses to sell alcoholic beverages in more than one state when licensed by the commissioner of public safety to sell alcoholic beverages in this state.

History: *1995 c 264 art 14 s 17; 1997 c 179 art 2 s 6*