

**145.365 TRAFFICKING IN SKUNKS.**

Subdivision 1. **Prohibition.** In order to protect the public health and prevent human and domestic animal exposure to rabies, it shall be unlawful to:

(1) import into or export out of this state any live skunk, for sale, barter, exchange or gift for any purpose whatsoever;

(2) acquire, sell, barter, exchange, give, or purchase any live skunks.

Subd. 2. **Exception.** The provisions of subdivision 1 do not apply to the importation, acquisition, or exportation of a skunk by a publicly or privately owned zoological park or circus or any other show where a skunk is exhibited but is not in physical contact with the public, or by scientific or educational institutions for research or educational purposes.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1982 c 591 s 1]

Subd. 4. **Penalty.** Violation of subdivision 1 is a misdemeanor.

**History:** 1982 c 591 s 1; 2019 c 50 art 1 s 41