299F.093 POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER.

Subdivision 1. **Duties; rules.** The commissioner shall:

(1) adopt rules no later than July 1, 1987, with the advice of the Hazardous Substance Notification Advisory Committee, establishing the form and content of the hazardous substance notification report form, as required by section 299F.094, and describing one or more hazard categories with specified ranges of quantities in each hazard category, representing increments of substantially increased risk;

(2) print and provide to individual fire departments the requested number of hazardous substance notification reports, which must be made available to a fire department no more than 90 days following its request, for the fire department to mail or otherwise make available to employers in the jurisdiction;

(3) report to the legislature, as needed, on the effectiveness of sections 299F.091 to 299F.099 and recommend amendments to sections 299F.091 to 299F.099 that are considered necessary;

(4) adopt rules to implement sections 299F.091 to 299F.099, compatible with the State Fire Code so as to not limit the authority of local fire officials under that code; and

(5) adopt rules that are based on the most recent standard 704, adopted by the National Fire Protection Association, and that allow a fire department to require employers within its jurisdiction to post signs conforming to standard 704, and indicating the presence of hazardous substances. If the signs are required, a fire department shall supply the signs or provide information to assist an employer to obtain them.

Subd. 2. **Investigation powers.** The commissioner shall, at the request of a local fire department, investigate suspected violations of sections 299F.091 to 299F.099.

History: *1Sp1986 c 1 art 10 s 12; 1993 c 337 s 18; 1997 c 187 art 1 s 22; 2005 c 10 art 1 s 64; 2005 c 136 art 9 s 14*