

Section 1. **HUBBARD COUNTY; GENERAL REVENUE TAX LEVY.** Notwithstanding the provisions and limitations of Minnesota Statutes, Section 275.09 to the contrary, the board of county commissioners of the county of Hubbard may levy annually a tax for general revenue purposes at such a rate as will produce not to exceed \$175,000.

Sec. 2. Before any increase in the levy authorized by section 1 is made, the governing body of the governmental subdivision named in section 1 shall hold a public hearing on the question. Notice of the time and place of said hearing shall be published in one or more legal newspapers of general circulation in the area once in each week for two successive weeks prior to said hearing. The published notice shall be in a form determined by the governing body, which form shall be sufficient in size and prominent in format in order to attract the attention of the reader. In any event the notice shall be of a size at least two columns in width by six inches in length. The notice shall set forth the percentage of increase over the existing levy and the number of mills or dollars increase proposed.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the governmental subdivision named in section 1, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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CHAPTER 491—S.F.No.1106

An act relating to the commissioner of public safety; transferring certain powers from the commissioner of highways to the commissioner of public safety; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 84.86; 84.87, Subdivision 1; 84.88; 126.15, Subdivision 4; 169.09, Subdivisions 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13; 169.10; 169.44, Subdivisions 1 and 2; 169.50, Subdivision 3; 169.522, Subdivision 1; 169.58, Subdivision 2; 169.63; 169.64, Subdivisions 2 and 5; 169.65; 169.66; 169.672; 169.68; 169.69; 169.71, Subdivision 1; 169.74, Subdivision 2; 169.75, Subdivision 4; 169.751; 169.76; 169.77, Subdivision 1; 169.771, Subdivision 3; 169.82; 169.973, Subdivision 2; 169.974, Subdivision 4; 169.98, Subdivision 2; 169.99, Subdivision 1; 169.993; 169.995; 169.996; 169.997; and 260.193, Subdivisions 5 and 6.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 84.86, is amended to read:

84.86 PUBLIC SAFETY; TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS; RULES AND REGULATIONS. Subdivision 1. With a view of achieving maximum use of snowmobiles the commissioner of natural resources shall adopt rules and regulations in the manner provided by chapter 15, for the following purposes:

(1) Registration of snowmobiles and display of registration numbers.

(2) Use of snowmobiles insofar as game and fish resources are affected.

(3) Use of snowmobiles on public lands and waters under the jurisdiction of the commissioner of natural resources.

(4) Uniform signs to be used by the state, counties, cities, villages, and boroughs, which are necessary or desirable to control, direct, or regulate the operation and use of snowmobiles.

(5) Specifications relating to snowmobile mufflers.

(6) A comprehensive snowmobile information and safety education and training program, including but not limited to the preparation and dissemination of snowmobile information and safety advice to the public, the training of snowmobile operators, and the issuance of snowmobile safety certificates to snowmobile operators who successfully complete the snowmobile safety education and training course. For the purpose of administering such program and to defray a portion of the expenses of training and certifying snowmobile operators, the commissioner shall collect a fee of not to exceed \$2 from each person who receives the training and shall deposit the fee in the general fund and the amount thereof is appropriated annually to the commissioner of natural resources for the administration of such programs. The commissioner shall cooperate with private organizations and associations, private and public corporations, and local governmental units in furtherance of the program established under this clause. The commissioner shall consult with the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety in regard to training program subject matter and performance testing that leads to the certification of snowmobile operators.

Subd. 2. The commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety may adopt rules and regulations not inconsistent herewith in the manner provided by chapter 15, regulating the use of snowmobiles on streets and highways.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 84.87, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

84.87 OPERATION; REGULATION BY MUNICIPALITIES.

Subdivision 1. **OPERATION ON STREETS AND HIGHWAYS.** (a) No person shall operate a snowmobile upon the roadway, shoulder, or inside bank or slope of any trunk, county state aid, or county highway in this state and, in the case of a divided trunk or county highway, on the right of way between the opposing lanes of traffic, except as provided in this act. No person shall operate a snowmobile within the right of way of any trunk, county state aid, or county highway between the hours of one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, except on the right hand side of such right of way and in the same direction as the highway traffic on the nearest lane of the roadway adjacent thereto. No snowmobile shall be operated at any time within the right of way of any interstate highway or freeway within this state.

(b) A snowmobile may make a direct crossing of a street or highway at any hour of the day provided:

(1) The crossing is made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing; and

(2) The snowmobile is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or main traveled way of the highway; and

(3) The driver yields the right of way to all oncoming traffic which constitutes an immediate hazard; and

(4) In crossing a divided highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such highway with another public street or highway; and

(5) If the crossing is made between the hours of one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise or in conditions of reduced visibility, only if both front and rear lights are on.

(c) No snowmobile shall be operated upon a public street or highway unless it is equipped with at least one head lamp, one tail lamp, each of minimum candlepower as prescribed by regulations of the commissioner, reflector material of a minimum area of 16 square inches mounted on each side forward of the handle bars, and with brakes each of which shall conform to standards prescribed by rule of the commissioner pursuant to the authority vested in him by section 84.86, and each of which shall be subject to approval of the commissioner of highways public safety.

(d) A snowmobile may be operated upon a public street or highway other than as provided by clause (b) in an emergency during

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the period of time when and at locations where snow upon the roadway renders travel by automobile impractical.

(e) All provisions of chapter 169 shall apply to the operation of snowmobiles upon streets and highways, except for those relating to required equipment, and except those which by their nature have no application.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 84.88, is amended to read:

84.88 **PENALTIES.** Any person who shall violate any provision of Laws 1967, Chapter 876 or any regulation of the commissioner of natural resources or of the commissioner of highways public safety promulgated pursuant to Laws 1967, Chapter 876 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 126.15, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **IDENTIFY, OPERATION.** Identification and operation of school safety patrols shall be uniform throughout the state and the method of identification and signals to be used shall be as prescribed by the commissioner of highways public safety.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **ACCIDENT REPORT TO COMMISSIONER.** The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or total property damage to an apparent extent of \$100 or more, shall promptly forward a written report of the accident to the commissioner of public safety. If, in the opinion of the commissioner of public safety, the original report of any driver of a vehicle involved in an accident of which report must be made as provided in this section is insufficient he may require the driver to file supplementary reports.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **OFFICERS TO REPORT ACCIDENT TO THE COMMISSIONER.** Every law enforcement officer who, in the regular course of duty, investigates a motor vehicle accident of which report must be made as required in this section, either at the time of and at the scene of the accident or thereafter by interviewing participants or witnesses, shall, within 24 hours after completing such investigation, forward a written report of such accident to the commissioner of public safety.

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Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **ACCIDENT REPORT FORMS.** The department of public safety shall prepare, and upon request supply to police departments, coroners, sheriffs, garages and other suitable agencies or individuals, forms for accident reports required hereunder, appropriate with respect to the persons required to make such reports and the purposes to be served. The written reports to be made by persons involved in accidents and by investigating officers shall call for sufficiently detailed information to disclose with reference to a traffic accident the causes, conditions then existing, and the persons and vehicles involved.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **USE OF FORM REQUIRED.** Every accident report required to be made in writing shall be made on the appropriate form approved by the department of public safety and contain all of the information required therein unless not available.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **CORONER TO REPORT DEATH.** Every coroner or other official performing like functions shall report in writing to the department of public safety the death of any person within his jurisdiction as the result of an accident involving a motor vehicle and the circumstances of such accident. Such report shall be made within five days after such death.

In the case of drivers killed in motor vehicle accidents and of the death of pedestrians 16 years of age or older, who die within four hours after accident, the coroner or other official performing like functions shall examine the body and shall make such tests as are necessary to determine the presence and percentage concentration of alcohol, and drugs if feasible, in the blood of the victim. This information shall be included in each report submitted pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision and shall be tabulated on a monthly basis by the department of public safety. This information may be used only for statistical purposes which do not reveal the identity of the deceased.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **GARAGES TO REPORT.** The person in charge of any garage or repair shop to which is brought any motor vehicle which shows evidence of having been struck by any bullet shall immediately report to the local police or sheriff and to the commis-

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sioner of public safety within 24 hours after such motor vehicle is received, giving the engine number, registration number and the name and address of the owner or operator of such vehicle.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.09, Subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **ACCIDENT REPORTS CONFIDENTIAL.** All required accident reports and supplemental reports shall be without prejudice to the individual so reporting and shall be for the confidential use of the department of public safety for accident prevention purposes, except that the department of public safety or any law enforcement department of any municipality or county in this state shall, upon written request of any person involved in an accident or upon written request of the representative of his estate, his surviving spouse, or one or more of his surviving next of kin, or a trustee appointed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 573.02, disclose to such requester, his legal counsel or a representative of his insurer any information contained therein except the parties' version of the accident as set out in the written report filed by such parties. No such report shall be used as evidence in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident, except that the department of public safety shall furnish upon the demand of any person who has, or claims to have, made such a report, or, upon demand of any court, a certificate showing that a specified accident report has or has not been made to the department of public safety solely to prove a compliance or a failure to comply with the requirements that such report be made to the department of public safety. Disclosing any information contained in any accident report, except as provided herein, is unlawful and a misdemeanor.

Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent any person who has made a report pursuant to this chapter from testifying in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident, as to facts within his knowledge. It is intended by this subdivision to render privileged the reports required but it is not intended to prohibit proof of the facts to which such reports relate. Legally qualified newspaper publications shall upon request to a law enforcement agency be given an oral statement covering only the time and place of the accident, the names and addresses of the parties involved, and a general statement as to how the accident happened without attempting to fix liability upon anyone, but said legally qualified newspaper publications shall not be given access to the hereinbefore mentioned confidential reports, nor shall any such statements or information so orally given be used as evidence in any court proceeding, but shall merely be used for the purpose of a proper publication of the news.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.10, is amended to read:

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169.10 STATISTICAL INFORMATION. The department of public safety shall tabulate and may analyze all accident reports and shall publish annually or at more frequent intervals statistical information based thereon as to the number and circumstances of traffic accidents.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.44, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.44 SCHOOL BUSES; STOP SIGNALS; CONDUCT OF OTHER VEHICLES. Subdivision 1. **MEETING OR OVERTAKING BUSES; STOP SIGNALS; STOPPING.** The driver of a vehicle upon a street or highway, upon meeting or overtaking from front or rear any school bus which has stopped on the street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children, shall stop the vehicle not less than 20 feet from the bus when the bus is stopped and is displaying an extended stop arm and flashing red signals and shall remain stopped until the school bus driver retracts the stop signal arm and extinguishes the flashing red signals. Every school bus with a seating capacity in excess of 12 persons shall be equipped with a stop signal arm which shall be used only when the school bus is stopped on a street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children and flashing red signals of a type, and actuated in a manner, approved by the state board of education and commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety, which shall be used when preparing to stop and while stopped on a street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children.

Vehicles district owned or under contract having a seating capacity of 12 or fewer persons transporting school children to or from school when operating outside of an incorporated municipality, shall be equipped front and rear with alternately flashing amber signals. The alternately flashing signals shall be used only when preparing to stop and while stopped on a street or highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child or children. Such vehicle shall display signs front and rear plainly marked "school bus," such signs and signal lights to comply with standards set by the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.44, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **LOADING AND UNLOADING PASSENGERS; USE OF SIGNALS.** (a) Drivers of a school bus with a capacity of more than 12 persons shall actuate the flashing red signals of the bus at least 300 feet before stopping to load or unload a school child or children, when outside an incorporated municipality and 100 feet when operating within an incorporated municipality and shall not extinguish such lights until loading or unloading is completed and persons who must cross the highway are safely across.

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(b) School bus drivers shall not actuate the flashing signals:

(1) in special school bus loading areas where the bus is entirely off the traveled portion of the road;

(2) in residence or business districts of cities, villages, and boroughs except when directed by the local school administrator; and

(3) when a school bus is being used on a highway for purposes other than the actual transportation of school children to or from school or a school approved activity, in which event the words "school bus" on the front and rear of the bus shall be removed or completely concealed.

(c) Where school children must cross the road before boarding or after being discharged from the bus, the driver of a school bus or a school bus patrol may supervise such crossings making use of the standard school patrol flag or signal as approved and prescribed by the commissioner of highways public safety. When children are alighting from a school bus, and not crossing the road, the driver shall visually ascertain that alighting children shall be a safe distance from the bus before moving the bus.

(d) Vehicles having a seating capacity of 12 or fewer persons shall load or unload school children only from the right hand side of the vehicle except on a one way street.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.50, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **REFLECTORS.** On and after January 1, 1960, each new motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, hereafter sold and each such vehicle hereafter operated on a highway, shall carry at the rear either as a part of the rear lamp, or separately, at least two reflectors. The reflectors shall be of a type approved by the commissioner of public safety and shall be mounted as close as is practicable to the extreme edges of the vehicle at a height not more than 60, nor less than 20 inches above the surface upon which the vehicle stands. Each such reflector shall be so designed and maintained as to be visible at night from all distances within 300 to 50 feet from the vehicle, except that on a commercial vehicle the reflectors shall be visible from all distances within 500 to 50 feet from the vehicle, when directly in front of a motor vehicle displaying lawfully lighted headlamps.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.522, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.522 SLOW MOVING VEHICLES, SIGNS REQUIRED.
Subdivision 1. All animal-drawn vehicles, implements of husbandry and other machinery, including all road construction machinery,

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which are designed for operation at a speed of 25 miles per hour or less shall display a triangular slow moving vehicle emblem except when being used in actual construction and maintenance work and traveling within the limits of a construction area which is marked in accordance with requirements of the manual of uniform traffic control devices, as set forth in section 169.06. Such emblem shall be mounted so as to be visible from a distance of not less than 500 feet to the rear. When a primary power unit towing an implement of husbandry or other machinery displays a slow moving vehicle emblem visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear, it shall not be necessary to display a similar emblem on the secondary unit. The commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety shall adopt standards and specifications for the design and position of mounting the slow moving vehicle emblem. The standards and specifications for these emblems shall conform with those approved by the American society of agricultural engineers. A violation of this section shall not be admissible evidence in any civil cause of action arising prior to January 1, 1970.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.58, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Any motor vehicles operated by an active member of a volunteer fire department authorized by or contracting with any city, village, borough, town, or township in this state and upon obtaining a permit therefor from the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety may be equipped with a lamp emitting a red light to the front of such vehicle. The lens of such lamp shall be not more than three inches in diameter. Such lamp shall be lighted only when the member of the volunteer fire department is responding to an emergency call in connection with his duties as a volunteer fireman. The commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety is hereby authorized to issue permits on applications of a member of a volunteer fire department properly certified to by the chief of said volunteer fire department, and it shall be the duty of the chiefs of all volunteer fire departments to notify the commissioner of public safety immediately upon the termination of such membership.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.63, is amended to read:

169.63 NUMBER OF LAMPS. At all times when lighted lamps on vehicles are required in this chapter, at least two lighted head lamps shall be displayed, one on each side at the front of every motor vehicle, other than a motor-cycle; provided, that under adverse weather conditions two lighted auxiliary lamps, one on each side at the front of the vehicle, may be used in lieu of two lighted head lamps, except when such vehicle is parked subject to the regulations governing lights on parked vehicles.

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When a motor vehicle equipped with head lamps, as herein required, is also equipped with any auxiliary lamps, spot lamps or any other lamps on the front thereof projecting a beam of intensity greater than 300-candle power, not more than a total of four of any such lamps on the front of a vehicle shall be lighted at any one time when upon a highway.

The maximum beam candle power from any combination of lamps used at any time for road lighting shall not exceed that authorized by the commissioner of public safety.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.64, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **COLORED LIGHTS.** Unless otherwise authorized by the commissioner of public safety, no vehicle shall be equipped, nor shall any person drive or move any vehicle or equipment upon any highway with any lamp or device displaying a red light or any colored light other than those required or permitted in this chapter.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.64, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **FLASHING RED LIGHT ON WRECKER.** A device displaying a flashing or intermittent red light of a type approved by the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety for that purpose, and in accordance with section 169.64, may be used on a wrecker while engaged in emergency service at the scene of an accident. Such flashing red light shall not be displayed when traveling upon the highway or at any time other than at the scene of an accident.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.65, is amended to read:

169.65 SPECIFICATIONS FOR LIGHTING DEVICES. The commissioner of public safety is hereby authorized and required to adopt and enforce standard specifications as to the amount, color and direction of light to be emitted or reflected by lighting devices and as to the general construction and mounting on the vehicle for compliance with the requirements and limitations of this chapter.

No person shall have for sale, sell, or offer for sale for use upon or as a part of the equipment of a vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer, or use upon any such vehicle, any head lamp, auxiliary driving lamp, rear lamp, signal lamp, spot lamp, clearance lamp, marker lamp or reflector, or parts of any of the foregoing, unless of a type which has been submitted to the commissioner of public safety and approved by him.

No person shall have for sale, sell, or offer for sale for use upon or as a part of the equipment of a vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer, or

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bicycle any lamp or device mentioned in this section, which has been approved by the commissioner of public safety unless such lamp or device bears thereon the trade-mark or name and model designation all permanently marked under which it is approved so as to be legible when installed.

No person shall use upon any vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer or bicycle any lamps mentioned in this section unless such lamps are equipped with bulbs of a type approved by the commissioner of public safety, having a rated candle power, and are mounted and adjusted as to focus and aim in accordance with instructions of the commissioner of public safety.

The commissioner of public safety is hereby authorized to approve or disapprove lighting devices.

The commissioner of public safety is hereby required to approve or disapprove any lighting device, of a type on which approval is specifically required in this chapter, within a reasonable time after such device has been submitted.

The commissioner of public safety is further authorized to set up a procedure which shall be followed when any device is submitted for approval.

The commissioner of public safety is authorized to set and collect a reasonable fee for the testing and approval of all types of devices upon which approval is required in this chapter. Such fee may be sufficient in amount to reimburse the department of public safety for all costs connected with such test and approval.

The commissioner of public safety, upon approving any such lamp or device, shall issue to the applicant a certificate of approval, together with any instructions determined by him.

The commissioner of public safety shall publish lists of all lamps and devices by name and type which have been approved by him, together with instructions as to the permissible candlepower rating of the bulbs which he has determined for use therein and such other instructions as to adjustment as he may deem necessary. No person shall sell for use or use on any vehicle any reconvered lamp or any device redesigned for a use other than for which it was originally approved unless authorized by the commissioner of public safety.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.66, is amended to read:

169.66 HEARINGS ON SPECIFICATIONS. When the commissioner of public safety has reason to believe that an approved device which is being sold commercially does not comply with the requirements of this chapter, he may, after giving 30 days' previous notice to

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the person holding the certificate of approval for such device in this state, conduct a hearing upon the question of compliance of the approved device. After the hearing the commissioner of public safety shall determine whether the approved device meets the requirements of this chapter. If it does not meet the requirements of this chapter, he shall give notice to the person holding the certificate of approval for such device in this state.

If, at the expiration of 90 days after such notice, the person holding the certificate of approval for such device has failed to satisfy the commissioner of public safety that the approved device as thereafter to be sold meets the requirements of this chapter, the commissioner of public safety shall suspend or revoke the approval issued therefor until or unless such device is resubmitted to and retested by an authorized testing agency and is found to meet the requirements of this chapter, and may require that all such devices sold since the notification following the hearing be replaced with devices that do comply with the requirements of this chapter. The commissioner of public safety may at the time of the retest purchase in the open market and submit to the testing agency one or more sets of such approved devices, and if such device upon such retest fails to meet the requirements of this chapter, the commissioner of public safety may refuse to renew the certificate of approval of such device.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.672, is amended to read:

169.672 BRAKE FLUID; APPROVAL REQUIRED. From and after July 1, 1953, no person shall have for sale, sell or offer for sale for use in motor vehicle brake systems in this state any hydraulic brake fluid unless of a type and brand approved by the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.68, is amended to read:

169.68 HORNS. Every motor vehicle when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet, but no horn or other warning device shall emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or a whistle. The driver of a motor vehicle shall, when reasonably necessary to insure safe operation, give audible warning with his horn, but shall not otherwise use such horn when upon a highway.

No vehicle shall be equipped with, nor shall any person use upon a vehicle, any siren, whistle, or bell, except as otherwise permitted in this section. It is permissible, but not required, that any commercial vehicle be equipped with a theft alarm signal device which is so

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arranged that it cannot be used by the driver as an ordinary warning signal. All authorized emergency vehicles shall be equipped with a siren capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 500 feet and of a type approved by the department of public safety, but such siren shall not be used except when such vehicle is operated in response to an emergency call or in the immediate pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, in which latter events the driver of such vehicle shall sound the siren when necessary to warn pedestrians and other drivers of the approach thereof.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.69, is amended to read:

169.69 MUFFLERS. Every motor vehicle shall at all times be equipped with a muffler in good working order which blends the exhaust noise into the overall vehicle noise and is in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise, and no person shall use a muffler cutout, by-pass, or similar device upon a motor vehicle on a street or highway. The exhaust system shall not emit or produce a sharp popping or crackling sound. Every motor vehicle shall at all times be equipped with such parts and equipment so arranged and kept in such state of repair as to prevent carbon monoxide gas from entering the interior of the vehicle.

No person shall have for sale, sell or offer for sale or use on any motor vehicle any muffler that fails to comply with the specifications as required by the commissioner of highways public safety.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.71, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.71 WINDSHIELDS. Subdivision 1. No person shall drive or operate any motor vehicle with a windshield cracked or discolored to an extent to limit or obstruct proper vision, or with any objects suspended between the driver and the windshield, other than sun visors and rear vision mirrors, or with any sign, poster, or other nontransparent material upon the front windshield, sidewings, side or rear windows of such vehicle, other than a certificate or other paper required to be so displayed by law, or authorized by the state director of civil defense, or the commissioner of highways public safety.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.74, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **DEFINITION.** "Safety glass" means any product composed of glass, or other material, as may be approved by the commissioner of public safety, as safety glass.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.75, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

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Subd. 4. **APPROVED TYPE.** Every flare, lantern, signal, or reflector required in this section shall be of a type approved by the commissioner of public safety.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.751, is amended to read:

169.751 **DEFINITIONS.** For the purposes of sections 169.751 to 169.754 the following words shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section:

(a) "First aid equipment" shall mean equipment for the purpose of rendering first aid to sick or injured persons as prescribed by the ~~state highway~~ department of public safety for its highway patrol vehicles, such equipment to include materials for the application of splints to fractures.

(b) "Patrol motor vehicles" shall mean the highway patrol motor vehicles used in law enforcement of the state highway department, the county sheriffs, and the various city, village, town, and other local police departments.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.76, is amended to read:

169.76 **EXPLOSIVES.** Any person operating any vehicle transporting any explosives as a cargo or part of a cargo upon a highway shall at all times comply with the provisions of this section. The vehicle shall be marked or placarded on each side and the rear with the word "Explosives" in letters not less than eight inches high, and shall be equipped with fire-extinguishers of a type and number approved by the commissioner of public safety, filled and ready for immediate use and placed at a convenient point on the vehicle so used.

The commissioner of public safety is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate such additional regulations governing the transportation of explosives and other dangerous articles by vehicles upon the highways as he shall deem advisable for the protection of the public.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.77, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.77 **LAMP AND BRAKE ADJUSTING STATIONS.** Subdivision 1. **OFFICIAL STATIONS.** The commissioner of public safety shall designate, furnish instructions to and supervise official stations for adjusting head lamps and auxiliary lamps and official stations for testing brakes to conform with the provisions of this chapter. The commissioner of public safety shall cause inspections to be made of such stations and shall revoke and require the surrender of the certificate issued to a station which he finds is not properly equipped

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or conducted. When head lamps and auxiliary lamps or brakes have been adjusted in conformity with the instructions issued by the commissioner of public safety a certificate of adjustment shall be issued to the driver of the motor vehicle on forms issued in duplicate by the commissioner of public safety showing date of issue, registration number of the motor vehicle, owner's name, make of vehicle, and official designation of the adjusting station.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.771, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. The commissioner of public safety may establish such reasonable rules and regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, but all spot check inspections shall be held in such a manner that the motor vehicle operators, either private or commercial, shall not be unnecessarily inconvenienced either by extended detours, unnecessary delays, or any other unreasonable cause.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.82, is amended to read:

169.82 TRAILER EQUIPMENT. Any trailer exceeding a gross weight of 6,000 pounds shall be equipped with brakes adequate to stop and hold such trailer, and which are so constructed that they will so operate whenever such trailer becomes detached from the towing vehicle.

When one vehicle is towing another the draw-bar or other connection shall be of sufficient strength to pull all weight towed thereby, and said draw-bar or other connection shall not exceed 15 feet from one vehicle to the other except the connection between any two vehicles transporting poles, pipe, machinery or other objects of structural nature which cannot readily be dismembered.

When one vehicle is towing another and the connection consists of a chain, rope, or cable, there shall be displayed upon such connection a white flag or cloth not less than 12 inches square.

Every trailer or semi-trailer shall be hitched to the motor vehicles furnishing the tractive power for it by a device approved by the commissioner of public safety as safe and in addition shall be equipped with safety chains permanently attached to the trailer except that where the coupling device is a regulation fifth wheel and king pin assembly approved by the commissioner of public safety such safety chains shall not be required. In towing, such chains shall be carried through a ring on the tow-bar and attached to the towing vehicle, and shall be of sufficient strength to control the trailer in event of failure of the towing device.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.973, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. The commissioner of public safety may appoint a driver improvement clinic director within the department of public safety and such other employees as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of Laws 1965, Chapter 711.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.974, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **EQUIPMENT FOR OPERATORS AND PASSENGERS.** (a) When operating a motorcycle on the streets and highways of this state, the operator and passenger, if any, shall wear protective headgear that complies with standards established by the commissioner of public safety .

(b) The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to persons during their participation in a parade for which parade a permit or other official authorization has been granted by a local governing body or other governmental authority.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.98, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Subdivision 1 shall apply to those motor vehicles used primarily in traffic law enforcement purchased subsequent to the effective date of Laws 1959, Chapter 554 and also subsequent to the effective date of any rules and regulations that the commissioner of public safety shall establish pursuant to the purposes set forth in subdivision 1.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.99, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.99 UNIFORM TRAFFIC TICKET. Subdivision 1. Except as provided in subdivision 3, there shall be a uniform ticket issued throughout the state by the police and peace officers or by any other person for violations of the highway traffic regulations, which are Minnesota Statutes 1957, Chapter 169 and acts amendatory thereof, and ordinances in conformity thereto. Such uniform traffic ticket shall be in the form and have the effect of a summons and complaint. There shall also be included on the uniform ticket a receipt in lieu of bail which, when signed by the defendant, shall be a guarantee by him of his appearance in the court having jurisdiction over the matter. The uniform traffic ticket shall consist of four parts, on paper sensitized so that copies may be made without the use of carbon paper, as follows:

(1) The complaint, with reverse side for officer's notes for testifying in court, driver's past record, and court's action, printed on white paper;

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(2) The abstract of court record for the department of ~~highways~~ public safety, which shall be a copy of the complaint with the certificate of conviction on the reverse side, printed on yellow paper;

(3) The police record, which shall be a copy of the complaint and of the reverse side of copy (1), printed on pink paper;

(4) The summons, with, on the reverse side, such information as the court may wish to give concerning the traffic violations bureau, and a plea of guilty and waiver, printed on off-white tag stock.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.993, is amended to read:

169.993 MEMBERSHIP ON VEHICLE EQUIPMENT SAFETY COMMISSION. The commissioner of this state on the vehicle equipment safety commission shall be the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety who shall serve during his continuance as such officer. The commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety may designate an alternate from among the officers and employees of the department of ~~highways~~ public safety to serve in his place and stead on the vehicle equipment safety commission. Subject to the provisions of the compact and bylaws of the vehicle equipment safety commission, the authority and responsibilities of such alternate shall be as determined by the commissioner of public safety designating such alternate.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.995, is amended to read:

169.995 FILING OF DOCUMENTS, NOTICES. Filing of documents as required by article III, clause (j) of the compact shall be with the department of ~~highways~~ public safety. Any and all notices required by commission bylaws to be given pursuant to article III, clause (j) of the compact shall be given to the commissioner of public safety of this state or his alternate, if any.

Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.996, is amended to read:

169.996 BUDGETS OF VEHICLE EQUIPMENT SAFETY COMMISSION. Pursuant to article VI, clause (a) of the compact, the vehicle equipment safety commission shall submit its budget to the commissioner of ~~highways~~ public safety. Such budget and the state's share thereof shall be subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 16, and any act amendatory thereof.

Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 169.997, is amended to read:

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169.997 **INSPECTION OF ACCOUNTS.** Pursuant to article VI, clause (e) of the compact, the public examiner is hereby empowered and authorized to inspect the accounts of the vehicle equipment safety commission as a part of his audit of the department of highways public safety.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 260.193, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. If the juvenile court finds that the child is a juvenile highway or water traffic offender, it may make any one or more of the following dispositions of the case:

(a) Reprimand the child and counsel with the child and his parents;

(b) Continue the case for a reasonable period under such conditions governing the child's use and operation of any motor vehicles or boat as the court may set;

(c) Require the child to attend a driver improvement school if one is available within the county;

(d) Recommend to the highway department of public safety suspension of the child's driver's license as provided in section 171.16;

(e) If the child is found to have committed two moving highway traffic violations or to have contributed to a highway accident involving death, injury, or physical damage in excess of \$100, the court may recommend to the commissioner of highways public safety or to the licensing authority of another state the cancellation of the child's license until he reaches the age of 18 years, and the commissioner of public safety is hereby authorized to cancel the license without hearing. At any time before the termination of the period of cancellation, the court may, for good cause, recommend to the commissioner of highways public safety, or to the licensing authority of another state, that the child's license be returned to him, and the commissioner of public safety is authorized to return the license;

(f) Place the child under the supervision of a probation officer in his own home under conditions prescribed by the court including reasonable rules relating to his operation and use of motor vehicles or boats directed to the correction of his driving habits.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 260.193, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. The juvenile court shall report the disposition of all juvenile highway traffic cases to the commissioner of highways public safety, as provided in section 171.16, on the standard form

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provided by the ~~highway~~ department of public safety under section 169.95.

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CHAPTER 492—S.F.No.1274

[Coded]

An act relating to the trunk highway system; adding new routes in substitution of existing routes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1: **TRUNK HIGHWAYS; ROUTES 260 AND 291.** There is hereby added to the trunk highway system new routes described as follows:

[161.115] Route No. 260. Beginning at a point on Route No. 5 southwesterly of Shakopee, thence extending in a northerly direction to a point on proposed Route No. 12, thence extending in a northeasterly direction to a point on Route No. 5 at or near Edina.

[161.115] Route No. 291. Beginning at a point on Route No.3, at or near the intersection of Vermillion and 18th Streets in the City of Hastings, thence extending in an easterly direction to a point at or in the grounds of the Hastings State Hospital, thence extending in a general northeasterly direction to a point on present County State Aid Highway No. 54, situated in the northwest one quarter of the northwest one quarter of Section 35, Township 115 North, Range 17 West, in the City of Hastings.

Sec. 2. The routes established in section 1 hereof are substituted respectively for trunk highway routes numbered 260 and 291 as contained and described in Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 161.115, and said routes numbered 260 and 291 as contained and described in said section, are discontinued and removed from the trunk highway system.

Sec. 3. The revisor of statutes, in compiling the Minnesota Statutes, shall substitute the routes established in section 1 hereof for the routes discontinued and removed from the trunk highway system in section 2 hereof.

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