

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

Section 1. [144.584] **PUBLIC WELFARE; COUNTY NURSING HOMES; TRANSFER OF STATE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS; STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.** All authority granted to the commissioner of public welfare under Laws 1953, Chapter 574, relating to licensing of county nursing homes established under the authority of Laws 1951, Chapter 610, and the authority relating to the establishment by rule and regulation of minimum standards for the construction, equipment, maintenance and operation therefor is hereby transferred to, vested in, and conferred upon the state board of health.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 144.583, is repealed.  
Approved April 27, 1973.

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#### CHAPTER 140—S.F.No.285

*An act relating to motor vehicles; providing for the manufacture of motor vehicle license number plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 168.381.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 168.381, is amended to read:

**168.381 MOTOR VEHICLES; MANUFACTURE OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE NUMBER PLATES.** All License number plates required by law ~~shall~~ may be manufactured by the state reformatory for men, the state prison or other institution established by law for the confinement of persons convicted of felony upon order from the registrar of motor vehicles, such order to state the quality of material desired in such plates, the specifications thereof, and the amount or number desired.

Should the commissioner of corrections decide not to supply the required quantity of license plates, or discontinue the manufacture of plates, the commissioner of public safety is authorized to seek other suppliers on a competitive basis. Materials purchased to be used in the manufacture of such motor vehicle number plates shall be tested as to conformance with specifications established by the department of public safety and the commissioner of administration in a privately operated laboratory service to be designated by the commissioner. The cost of such laboratory shall be included in the

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cost of materials purchased. ~~The expenses of the state reformatory in manufacturing number plates shall include~~ The cost of delivery of such number plates to the commissioner of public safety at places which he may designate shall be included in the expenses incurred in their manufacture.

Moneys appropriated to the department of public safety to procure the plates for any fiscal year or years shall be available for allotment, encumbrance, and expenditure from and after the date of the enactment of such appropriation. Materials and equipment used in the manufacture of such number plates are subject to the approval of the commissioner of administration.

~~Whenever the state reformatory for men certifies to the commissioner of administration that expenses have been incurred for materials, labor, and equipment which may have been purchased for the manufacture of number plates the commissioner of administration may, even though a number plate order has not been completed, approve the certification and direct the state auditor and state treasurer to pay such expenses, or to reimburse the state reformatory for men therefor from moneys appropriated by law to the department of public safety for license plates. If the commissioner of administration incurs expenses for materials or for any additional equipment which may have been purchased for the manufacture of number plates he may, in a like manner, direct the auditor and treasurer to pay such expenses.~~

This section contemplates that moneys to be appropriated to the department of public safety in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this section will be appropriated by the legislature from the highway user tax distribution fund.

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#### CHAPTER 141—S.F.No.188

*An act relating to welfare; providing for an exemption for personal property used as an abode in determining eligibility for aid to the disabled and medical assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Sections 256.457, Subdivision 3; and 256B.07.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 256.457, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

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