

to adjust the claim in accordance with the evidence shown on the claim or other information available to him. If the commissioner be satisfied that the claimant is entitled to payment, he shall approve the claim and transmit it to the state auditor. No repayment shall be made unless the claim and invoice shall be filed with the commissioner within ~~four months~~ one year from the date of the purchase ~~except that such refund claims filed within 15 days beyond the four months period shall be honored by the commissioner less a penalty of 25 percent of the amount of the approved claim.~~ The postmark on the envelope in which the claim is mailed shall determine the date of filing. The words "gasoline" or "special fuel" as used in this subdivision do not include aviation gasoline or special fuel for aircraft.

Sec. 2. This act shall apply to all purchases made after January 1, 1973.

Approved May 3, 1973.

CHAPTER 147—S.F.No.274

An act relating to motor vehicles; transfer of ownership and fees therefor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 168.54, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 168.54, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **MOTOR VEHICLES; TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP; FEES.** There is hereby imposed a fee of \$2 upon every transfer of ownership by the commissioner of public safety of any motor vehicle for which a registration certificate has heretofore been issued under this chapter, except vehicles sold for the purposes of salvage or dismantling or permanent removal from the state.

~~To facilitate the collection of the fee imposed by this section, the registrar shall provide a "Transfer Filing Fee" stamp to any person upon payment of the required fee of \$2. Such stamp shall be affixed to each application for transfer of ownership before such application shall be accepted for recording. The stamps, in a design to be determined by the registrar, shall bear the words~~

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~~“Transfer Filing Fee, \$2” and shall be numbered serially. Stamps may be sold in advance in such quantities as the registrar may deem proper provided that payment in full of \$2 for each stamp sold is received at the time of the sale. Refund may be made upon return of any unused stamps or any used stamps where such use was not required by law. When a stamp has been returned for refund, such stamp shall be canceled and preserved. The registrar shall maintain records, inventories and controls necessary to account for and safeguard the sale, refund and use of all stamps.~~

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CHAPTER 148—S.F.No.277

An act relating to highway traffic regulations; size, weight and load limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 169.80, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 169.80, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

169.80 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; SIZE, WEIGHT, LOAD. Subdivision 1. LIMITATIONS. It is a misdemeanor for any person to drive or move, or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven or moved, on any highway any vehicle or vehicles of a size or weight exceeding the limitations stated in sections 169.80 to 169.88, or otherwise in violation of sections 169.80 to 169.88, and the maximum size and weight of vehicles herein specified shall be lawful throughout this state, and local authorities shall have no power or authority to alter these limitations except as express authority may be granted in sections 169.80 to 169.88.

When all the axles of a vehicle or combination of vehicles are weighed separately the sum of the weights of the axles so weighed shall be evidence of the total gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles so weighed.

When each of the axles of any group that contains two or more consecutive axles of a vehicle or combination of vehicles have been weighed separately the sum of the weights of the axles so weighed shall be evidence of the total gross weight on the group of axles so weighed.

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