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**CHAPTER 342—S.F.No.3105**

*An act relating to predators; county or town bounties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 348.12.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 348.12, is amended to read:

**348.12 BOUNTIES; CERTAIN BIRDS AND ANIMALS.** Any county board or board of town supervisors may, by resolution, offer a bounty for the destruction of gophers, ground squirrels, ~~ground hogs, or woodchucks, or~~ rattlesnakes ; ~~erows; or blackbirds~~ . The resolution may be made to cover the whole or any part of the county, and may be annually renewed, but it shall have force and effect only during the calendar year in which it was adopted or renewed. The bounty shall ~~in no case exceed 20 cents for each pocket gopher; three cents for each common gopher or ground squirrel; 15 cents for each ground hog or woodchuck; \$1 for each rattlesnake; and ten cents a dozen for blackbirds; and 20 cents for each crow killed during~~ be in such amount or amounts and apply during such months, as may be designated by the county board or board of town supervisors by resolution.

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**CHAPTER 343—S.F.No.3108**

*An act relating to highway traffic regulations; length of vehicles; permits for certain vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 169.09, Subdivision 5; Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Sections 169.81, Subdivisions 2 and 3; and 169.861.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 169.09, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; LENGTH OF VEHICLES; NOTIFY OWNER OF DAMAGED PROPERTY.** The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting only in damage to fixtures legally upon or adjacent to a highway shall take reasonable steps to locate and notify the owner or person in charge of such property of such fact and of his name and address and of the registration number of the vehicle he is driving and shall, upon request and if available, exhibit his

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driver's or chauffeur's license, and make report of such accident ~~when and as required by the provisions of this chapter in every case. The report shall be made in the same manner as a report made pursuant to subdivision 7.~~

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 169.81, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **LENGTH.** No single unit motor vehicle, except truck cranes which shall not exceed 45 feet, unladen or with load shall exceed a length of 40 feet extreme overall dimensions inclusive of front and rear bumpers, except that the governing body of any city or village is hereby authorized by ordinance to provide for the maximum length of any motor vehicle, or combination of motor vehicles, or the number of vehicles that may be fastened together, and which may be operated upon the streets or highways of such city; provided, that such ordinance shall not prescribe a length less than that permitted by state law. Any such motor vehicle operated in compliance with such ordinance on the streets or highways of such city shall not be deemed to be in violation of this chapter. A truck tractor and semitrailer shall be regarded as a combination of vehicles for the purpose of determining lawful length.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 169.81, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **LENGTH OF COMBINATIONS AND SEMITRAILERS AND TRACTORS.** No combination of vehicles coupled together unladen or with load, including truck tractor and semitrailers, shall consist of more than two units unless such combination consists of a truck and semitrailer or a truck-tractor and semitrailer drawing one additional semitrailer equipped with an auxiliary dolly, and no combination of vehicles shall exceed a total length of 55 feet except as provided by section 169.861, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the transportation of telegraph poles, telephone poles, electric light and power poles, piling, or pole length pulpwood, and subject to the following further exceptions: Said length limitations shall not apply to vehicles when transporting pipe, or other objects by a public utility when required for emergency or repair of public service facilities or when operated under special permits as provided in this subdivision, but in respect to night transportation every such vehicle and the load thereon shall be equipped with a sufficient number of clearance lamps and marker lamps on both sides and upon the extreme ends of any projecting load to clearly mark the dimensions of such load. Mount combinations may be drawn but such combinations may not exceed 55 feet in length. Said limitation on the number of units shall not apply to vehicles used for transporting milk from point of production to point of first processing, in which case no combination of vehicles coupled together unladen or with load, including truck tractor and semitrailers, shall consist of more than three units and no such combination of vehicles shall exceed a total length of 55 feet. For the purpose of registra-

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tion, trailers coupled with a truck-tractor, semi-trailer combination shall be considered the same as semi-trailers. The state, as to state trunk highways, and any city, village, borough or town, as to roads or streets located therein, may issue permits authorizing the transportation of combinations of vehicles exceeding the limitations herein contained over highways, roads or streets within their boundaries.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 169.861, is amended to read:

**169.861 PERMITS FOR CERTAIN COMBINATIONS.** Subdivision 1. **APPLICATIONS.** The commissioner shall issue an annual permit to enable a combination of vehicles consisting of a truck and semitrailer or a truck-tractor and semitrailer drawing one additional semitrailer equipped with an auxiliary dolly between 55 and 65 feet in length to operate on the public highways. The permit shall entitle the combination of vehicles to operate only on divided highways having four or more lanes of travel, and on such other highways as may be designated by the commissioner of highways subject to section 169.87, subdivision 1, and subject to the approval of the authority having jurisdiction over such highway, for the purpose of providing access between such divided highways of four or more lanes of travel and truck terminals and marshalling yards or for the purpose of providing continuity of route. All vehicles operated under the provisions of this section shall conform to the standards for such vehicles as prescribed by the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Bureau of Motor Carrier Safety, and as may be amended.

Subd. 2. **DISPLAY.** The permit issued under this section shall be ~~displayed on the left side of the truck-tractor of the combination of vehicles, in the immediate vicinity of the painted, printed, stenciled, or decalcomanic, numbering showing the gross registered weight of the combination of vehicles~~ at all times be carried in or upon the vehicle supplying the mode of power for the combination of vehicles for which it has been issued .

Subd. 3. **FEES.** The commissioner is authorized to charge a fee of \$75 for ~~an such~~ annual permit for each combination exceeding 55 but not more than 60 feet in length; and \$200 for each combination exceeding 60 but not more than 65 feet in length. All such fees for permits issued by the commissioner shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the highway user tax distribution fund. This fee may be prorated in the same manner as registration fees are prorated pursuant to section 168.187 ~~and~~ . For those vehicles not covered by section 168.187 or reciprocal agreements pursuant to section 168.181 , a trip fee of \$10 for combinations exceeding 55 but not more than 60 feet in length and \$20 for combinations exceeding 60 but not more than 65 feet in length may be charged .

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