

Approved March 11, 1975.

CHAPTER 10—S.F.No.128

An act relating to motor vehicles; manufacture of motor vehicle license number plates; commissioner of public safety to establish quality specifications of plates with the advice of law enforcement organizations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 168.381.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 168.381, is amended to read:

168.381 MOTOR VEHICLES; LICENSE NUMBER PLATES; SPECIFICATIONS. License number plates required by law 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 commissioner~~ 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 cost of materials purchased. 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. The commissioner of public safety shall establish new or revised specifications for the material and equipment used in the manufacture of number plates ordered for manufacture after August 1, 1975, and may from time to time revise such specifications, provided that such specifications conform to the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Section 168.12. In establishing new or revised specifications he shall consult with and give consideration to the advice and recommendations of representatives of the Minnesota highway patrol, local police officers' associations and the county sheriffs' association.

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

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the manufacture of such number plates are subject only to the approval of the commissioner of ~~administration~~ public safety.

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 11—S.F.No.208

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the city of Bigelow; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds authorized by the voters without including the bonds in the computation of net debt.

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

Section 1. BIGELOW, CITY OF; BONDS, FIRE HALL AND EQUIPMENT. The general obligation bonds of the city of Bigelow in the principal amount not exceeding \$45,000 which were authorized by the voters at an election held on April 3, 1974 for the purpose of providing funds to construct and equip a building for a fire hall and purchasing fire fighting equipment shall not be included for the purpose of any computation of net debt of the city, and, when issued, shall be valid and binding general obligations of the city.

Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following final enactment.

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CHAPTER 12—S.F.No.7

An act relating to motor vehicle registration; exempting trailers used by farmers to carry liquid fertilizer from licensing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 168.012, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 168.012, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2b. MOTOR VEHICLES; LIQUID FERTILIZER TRAILERS; REGISTRATION EXEMPTION. A trailer owned by a farmer and used

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