

this act.

Subd. 2. The commission of an act which is unlawful under the provisions of subdivision 1 of this section is a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5. Subdivision 1. All moneys collected as taxes under this act shall be deposited in the county treasury and credited as follows:

Ninety percent to the county road and bridge fund; and

Ten percent to the reserve fund for the restoration of abandoned gravel pits or deposits of gravel, which is hereby created in the county treasury, and is hereinafter referred to as the reserve fund.

Subd. 2. All moneys deposited and credited as provided in subdivision 1 of this section shall be expended only for the maintenance, construction, or reconstruction of roads traveled by trucks hauling gravel or for the restoration of abandoned gravel pits or deposits of gravel, as the case may be. The board of county commissioners shall determine where, when, and how such moneys shall be expended but such moneys in the reserve fund shall be expended only upon lands to which the county holds title or upon lands forfeited to the state of Minnesota as trustee, for nonpayment of taxes.

Sec. 6. For all purposes of this act the word "person" shall be construed to include individuals, copartnerships, companies, corporations, and all associations, however and for whatever purpose organized.

Sec. 7. The provisions of sections 1 to 7 shall not apply to the state of Minnesota or its contractors when the gravel removed is used in the construction or maintenance of trunk highways.

Sec. 8. The provisions of this act that relate to Kittson county shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the members of the board of county commissioners of Kittson county and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021. The provisions of this act that relate to Marshall county shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the members of the board of county commissioners of Marshall county and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 19, 1977.

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#### CHAPTER 113—H.F.No.334

*An act relating to highway traffic regulations; lengths of certain vehicles and combinations of vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.81, Subdivision 3.*

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 169.81, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **HIGHWAY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; LENGTH OF COMBINATIONS AND SEMITRAILERS AND TRACTORS.** (a) 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 60 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 60 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 60 feet. For the purpose of registration, 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 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. Combinations of vehicles authorized by this subdivision may be restricted as to the use of highways by the commissioner, as to state trunk highways, and any road authority, as to highways or streets subject to its jurisdiction. Nothing in this subdivision shall be deemed to alter or change the authority vested in local authorities under the provisions of section 169.04. This subdivision shall not apply to the operation of combinations of vehicles subject to the provisions of section 169.861.

(b) No single semitrailer or trailer shall have an overall length, exclusive of rear protective bumpers which do not increase the overall length by more than six inches and further exclusive of any accessory equipment mounted or located on the end of the semitrailer or trailer adjacent to the truck or truck-tractor, in excess of 45 feet, except for those semitrailers governed by subdivisions 3a and 7. For purposes of determining compliance with the provisions of this subdivision, the length of the semitrailer or trailer shall be determined separate from the overall length of the combination of vehicles.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 19, 1977.

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