

Sec. 12. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1984, sections 358.32, 358.33, 358.34, 358.35, 358.36, 358.37, 358.38, 358.39, and 358.40 are repealed.

Sec. 13. **TIME OF TAKING EFFECT.**

This act takes effect August 1, 1985.

Approved May 31, 1985

**CHAPTER 269 — S.F.No. 279**

*An act relating to natural resources; eliminating the mandatory shooting by conservation officers of dogs pursuing deer; restricting the shooting by others; increasing the penalty for owners of dogs that kill deer; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, sections 100.29, subdivision 19; and 347.01.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 100.29, subdivision 19, is amended to read:

Subd. 19. ~~Any person may, and it shall be the duty of every conservation officer to, kill any dog pursuing or killing deer or moose, and no action for damages shall be maintained against the person for the killing. The owner of any dog which is found pursuing or killing deer, moose, or domestic livestock shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor. A dog that is known to have killed or which is observed wounding, killing, or pursuing in a manner which endangers a big game animal may be killed by a peace officer or conservation officer, or, between January 1 and July 14, by any person. The officer or person is not liable for damages for killing the dog. The owner of the dog is guilty of a petty misdemeanor and is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$500 for each violation.~~

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 347.01, is amended to read:  
347.01 **OWNER'S LIABILITY; PENALTY.**

(a) Owners or keepers of any dog or dogs, that kill, wound, or worry any domestic animal or animals, shall be jointly and severally liable to the owner of such animal or animals for all damages done by such dog or dogs, without proving notice to or knowledge by any such owner or keeper of such dog or dogs, that any or either of them was mischievous or disposed to kill or worry any domestic animal.

(b) The owner of any dog that kills or pursues domestic livestock is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

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