

(c) Where the commissioner has determined that a merger, consolidation or purchase of assets and assumption of liabilities is necessary and in the public interest to prevent the probable failure of a state bank or national banking association, the limitations on location and number of detached facilities in section 47.52 shall not apply to the establishment of a detached facility directly resulting from such acquisition. The establishment of a detached facility in order to prevent the probable failure of a bank as provided in this subdivision shall not require the written consent of banks having a principal office in the municipality in which the resulting detached facility will be located, notwithstanding the provisions of section 47.52.

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CHAPTER 162—H.F.No. 217

An act relating to traffic regulations; providing for the operation by certain police departments and sheriffs' offices of specially marked vehicles for highway traffic law enforcement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 169.98, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 169.98, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Except as provided in ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 2 and 2a, all motor vehicles which are primarily used in the enforcement of highway traffic rules by the state patrol or for general uniform patrol assignment by any municipal police department or other law enforcement agency, except conservation officers, shall have uniform colors and markings as provided herein. Motor vehicles of:

(a) Municipal police departments, including the University of Minnesota police department and park police units, and constables shall be predominantly blue, brown, green or white;

(b) The state patrol shall be predominantly maroon; and

(c) The county sheriffs' office shall be predominantly brown or white.

The identity of the governmental unit operating the vehicle shall be displayed on both front door panels and on the rear of the vehicle. The identity may be in the form of a shield or emblem, or may be the word "police," "sheriff," or the words "state patrol" or "conservation officer," as appropriate, with letters not less than 2-1/2 inches high, one inch wide and of a three-eighths inch brush stroke. The identity shall be of a color contrasting with the back-

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ground color so that the motor vehicle is easily identifiable as belonging to a specific type of law enforcement agency. Each vehicle shall be marked with its own identifying number on the rear of the vehicle. The number shall be printed in the same size and color required pursuant to this subdivision for identifying words which may be displayed on the vehicle.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1986, section 169.98, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. The chief of police of a home rule or statutory city, and the sheriff of a county, may authorize within the jurisdiction the use of specially marked police or sheriff's vehicles for primary use in the enforcement of highway traffic laws and ordinances when in the judgment of the chief of police or sheriff the use of specially marked vehicles will contribute to the safety of the traveling public. A specially marked vehicle is a vehicle that is marked only with the shield of the city or county and the name of the proper authority on the right front door of the vehicle. The number of specially marked vehicles owned by a police department of a city of the first class may not exceed ten percent of the total number of vehicles used by that police department in traffic law enforcement, and a city or county that uses fewer than 11 vehicles in traffic law enforcement may not own more than one specially marked vehicle. A specially marked vehicle may be operated only by a uniformed officer and must be equipped and operated to indicate clearly to the driver of a vehicle signalled to stop that the specially marked vehicle is being operated by a police department or sheriff's office.

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CHAPTER 163—H.F.No. 489

An act relating to local government; authorizing annexation proceedings for certain land between the city of Nashwauk and the town of Nashwauk.

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

Section 1. CITY OF NASHWAUK AND TOWN OF NASHWAUK; ANNEXATION PROCEEDINGS.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 414.031, relating to incorporated property abutting a municipality, the Minnesota municipal board may take jurisdiction in an annexation proceeding between the city of Nashwauk and the town of Nashwauk of nonabutting unincorporated property located in the town of Nashwauk described as:

the Southwest Quarter;

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