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CHAPTER 434—H.F.No. 2388

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CHAPTER 435—H.F.No. 1489

An act relating to cooperatives; applying the open meeting law to certain electric cooperatives; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 308A.

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

Section 1. [308A.327] **ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE; BOARD MEETINGS.**

A regular or special meeting of the board of directors of an electric cooperative that has more than 50,000 members must be open to all members of the cooperative. The board shall give reasonable prior notice of meetings. The board may close a meeting or a portion of a meeting, provided the board has made a written determination that a closed meeting is necessary for one of the following reasons:

(1) to discuss personnel matters, compensation issues, labor negotiations, billing and credit information, or an issue that may tend to prejudice the reputation of an individual;

(2) to discuss threatened or pending litigation, issues subject to an attorney-client privilege, or other legal information, the knowledge of which may have an adverse effect on the cooperative's legal position; or

(3) to discuss or disclose information that, if discussed in an open meeting, would result in impairment of the cooperative's competitive or financial position, interfere with a business opportunity, or reveal proprietary information.

For the purposes of clause (3), a business opportunity means an opportunity for substantial financial improvement of the cooperative that, if generally known, would likely jeopardize the opportunity itself.

The board may close a portion of a meeting after announcing during an open meeting the item of business to be discussed during the closed portion.

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CHAPTER 436—H.F.No. 2640

An act relating to occupations and professions; elevators and boilers; providing that boilers used for mint oil extraction are considered to be used for agricultural or horticultural purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 183.56.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 183.56, is amended to read:

183.56 EXCEPTIONS.

The provisions of sections 183.38 to 183.62, shall not apply to:

(1) boilers in buildings occupied solely for residence purposes with accommodations for not more than five families;

(2) railroad locomotives operated by railroad companies for transportation purposes;

(3) air tanks installed on the right-of-way of railroads and used directly in the operation of trains;

(4) boilers and pressure vessels under the direct jurisdiction of the United States;

(5) unfired pressure vessels having an internal or external working pressure not exceeding 15 p.s.i.g. with no limit on size;

(6) pressure vessels used for storage of compressed air not exceeding five cubic feet in volume and equipped with an American Society of Mechanical Engineers code stamped safety valve set at a maximum of 100 p.s.i.g.;

(7) pressure vessels having an inside diameter not exceeding six inches;

(8) every vessel that contains water under pressure, including those containing air that serves only as a cushion, whose design pressure does not exceed 300 p.s.i.g. and whose design temperature does not exceed 210 degrees Fahrenheit;

(9) boiler or pressure vessels located on farms used solely for agricultural or horticultural purposes; for purposes of this section, boilers used for mint oil extraction are considered used for agricultural or horticultural purposes, provided that the owner or lessee complies with the inspection requirements contained in section 183.42;

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