

## ARTICLE 6

## INSURANCE REGULATION

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 79.58, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. FLEX RATING. (a) Whenever an insurer files a change in its existing rate level that is greater than eight percent in a 12-month period, the commissioner may hold a hearing to determine if the rate is excessive. The hearing must be conducted as provided under chapter 14. The commissioner shall give notice of intent to hold a hearing within 60 days of the filing of the change. The commissioner of labor and industry may appear as an interested party at the hearing. At the hearing, the insurer has the responsibility of showing the rate is not excessive. The rate is effective unless it is determined as a result of the hearing that the rate is excessive. The disapproval of a rate under this subdivision must be done in the same manner as provided under section 70A.11.

(b) This subdivision applies only to changes resulting from an insurer's utilization of either (1) the pure premium base rate level filed by any data service organization plus the insurer's loading for expenses and profit, or (2) the insurer's own filed rate levels. This subdivision does not apply to any changes resulting from assessments for the assigned risk plan, reinsurance association, guarantee fund, special compensation fund, benefit level changes, or other rates or rating plans utilized by an insurer.

Presented to the governor April 17, 1992

Signed by the governor April 28, 1992, 8:40 a.m.

## CHAPTER 511—H.F.No. 2940

*An act relating to the financing and operation of government in Minnesota; revising the operation of the local government trust fund; modifying the administration, computation, collection, and enforcement of taxes; imposing taxes; changing tax rates, bases, credits, exemptions, withholding, and payments; modifying aids to local governments; authorizing and modifying provisions relating to property tax classifications and levies; reducing the amount in the budget and cash flow reserve account; authorizing imposition of local taxes; updating references to the Internal Revenue Code; modifying provisions relating to political campaign contribution refunds; changing certain bonding and local government finance provisions; changing definitions; making technical corrections and clarifications; enacting provisions relating to certain cities, counties, school districts, special taxing districts, and watershed districts; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 60A.15, subdivision 1; 60A.19, subdivision 6; 103B.241; 103B.255, by adding a subdivision; 103B.335; 103F.221, subdivision 3; 124.2131, subdivision 1; 174.27; 216C.06, by adding a subdivision; 256E.06, by adding a subdivision; 270.07, subdivision 3; 270.075, subdivision 1; 270.69, by adding a sub-*

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division; 270A.05; 270A.07, subdivisions 1 and 2; 270A.11; 270B.01, subdivision 8; 270B.12, by adding a subdivision; 271.06, subdivision 7; 272.115; 273.11, by adding subdivisions; 273.1104, subdivision 1; 273.135, subdivision 2; 273.1391, subdivision 2; 274.19, subdivision 8; 274.20, subdivisions 1, 2, and 4; 275.065, subdivisions 1a and 4; 275.125, subdivision 10; 278.02; 279.37, subdivision 1; 281.23, subdivision 8; 282.01, subdivision 7; 282.012; 282.016; 282.09, subdivision 1; 282.241; 282.36; 289A.11, subdivision 3; 289A.25, by adding a subdivision; 289A.26, subdivisions 3, 4, 7, and 9; 289A.50, subdivision 5; 290.05, subdivision 4; 290.091, subdivision 6; 290.0922, subdivision 2; 290.9201, subdivision 11; 290.923, by adding a subdivision; 290A.03, subdivision 8; 290A.19; 290A.23; 297A.07; 297A.14, subdivision 1; 297A.15, subdivisions 5 and 6; 297A.25, subdivisions 7, 11, 24, 34, 45, and by adding subdivisions; 297B.01, subdivision 8; 298.24, subdivision 1; 298.28, by adding a subdivision; 299F.21, subdivision 1; 327C.01, by adding a subdivision; 327C.12; 373.40, subdivision 7; 381.12, subdivision 2; 383.06; 383B.152; 398A.06, subdivision 2; 401.02, subdivision 3; 401.05; 462A.22, subdivision 1; 469.004, subdivisions 1 and 1a; 469.034; 469.107, subdivision 2; 469.153, subdivision 2; 469.177, subdivision 1a; 471.571, subdivision 2; 473.388, subdivision 4; 473.446, subdivision 1; 473.711, subdivision 2; 473.714; 473H.10, subdivision 3; 477A.013, subdivision 5; 488A.20, subdivision 4; 541.07; 641.24; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, sections 4A.02; 16A.15, subdivision 6; 16A.711, subdivisions 3, 4, and by adding a subdivision; 47.209; 69.021, subdivisions 5 and 6; 124A.23, subdivision 1; 256.025, subdivisions 3 and 4; 256E.05, subdivision 3; 256E.09, subdivision 6; 270A.04, subdivision 2; 270A.08, subdivision 2; 271.21, subdivision 6; 272.02, subdivision 1; 273.124, subdivisions 1, 6, 9, and 13; 273.13, subdivisions 22, 25, and 33; 273.1398, subdivisions 5, 6, and 7; 273.1398, 273.1399; 275.065, subdivisions 1, 3, 5a, and 6; 275.125, subdivisions 5 and 6j; 275.61; 277.01, subdivision 1; 277.17; 278.01, subdivision 1; 278.05, subdivision 6; 279.01, subdivision 1; 279.03, subdivision 1a; 281.17; 289A.18, subdivision 4; 289A.20, subdivisions 1 and 4; 289A.26, subdivisions 1 and 6; 289A.37, subdivision 1; 290.01, subdivision 19; 290.05, subdivision 3; 290.06, subdivision 23; 290.0671, subdivision 1; 290.091, subdivision 2; 290.0921, subdivision 8; 290.0922, subdivision 1; 290A.04, subdivision 2h; 297A.135, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; 297A.21, subdivision 4; 297A.25, subdivision 12; 375.192, subdivision 2; 423A.02, subdivision 1a; 477A.011, subdivisions 27 and 29; 477A.012, subdivision 6; 477A.013, subdivisions 1 and 3; 477A.03, subdivision 1; 508.25; 508A.25; Laws 1953, chapter 560, section 2, subdivision 3; Laws 1971, chapter 773, section 1, subdivision 2, as amended; and section 2, as amended; Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 65; and article 7, section 27; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13; 16A; 60A; 207A; 273; 275; 289A; 290; 290A; 297A; 298; 473F; 477A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 60A.15, subdivision 6; 134.342, subdivisions 2 and 4; 275.065, subdivision 1b; 278.01, subdivision 2; 289A.12, subdivision 1; 290.48, subdivision 7; 297.32, subdivision 7; Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, sections 271.04, subdivision 2; 273.124, subdivision 15; 295.367; Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 2, section 3; and article 15, section 9.

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

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## ARTICLE 1

## AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 16A.711, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **GENERAL FUND ADVANCES.** If the money in the trust fund is insufficient to make payments on the dates provided by law, but the commissioner estimates receipts for the ~~fiscal year~~ biennium will be sufficient, the commissioner shall advance money from the general fund to the trust fund necessary to make the payments. On or before the close of the biennium the trust shall repay the advances ~~with interest, calculated at the rate of earnings on invested treasurer's cash;~~ to the general fund.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 16A.711, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. ADJUSTMENTS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRUST FUND REVENUES. For the second fiscal year of each biennium, the commissioner of revenue shall make adjustments in aid amounts so that the anticipated total obligations of the local government trust fund are equal to anticipated total revenues.

In the event that anticipated total obligations of the trust fund exceed anticipated total revenues, each jurisdiction's aid will be reduced as provided under section 477A.0132. For fiscal year 1993 only, if reductions are necessary in an amount greater than \$6,700,000, the additional reduction for the shortfall beyond \$6,700,000 will be applied only to aids under section 477A.013.

In the event that anticipated total obligations of the trust fund are less than anticipated total revenues, aid amounts for the following programs will be proportionately increased to bring anticipated total expenditures into conformance with anticipated total revenues:

- (1) local government aid and equalization aid under section 477A.013;
- (2) community social services aid under section 256E.06; and
- (3) county criminal justice aid under section 477A.0121.

If the commissioner estimates further aid adjustments are necessary after aid amounts have already been certified, but before all aid amounts have been paid, all remaining aid payments will be increased or decreased proportionately.

Sec. 3. [16A.712] LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRUST; APPROPRIATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 1993 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS.

(a) The amounts necessary to make the following payments in fiscal year 1993 and subsequent years are appropriated from the local government trust fund to the commissioner of revenue unless otherwise specified:

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(1) attached machinery aid to counties under section 273.138;

(2) in fiscal year 1993 only, supplemental homestead credit under section 273.1391. The school district's supplemental homestead credit shall be appropriated to the commissioner of education;

(3) \$560,000 in fiscal year 1993 and \$300,000 annually in fiscal years 1994 and 1995 for tax administration;

(4) \$105,000 annually to the commissioner of finance in fiscal years 1993, 1994, and 1995 to administer the trust fund;

(5) \$25,000 annually to the advisory commission on intergovernmental relations in fiscal years 1993, 1994, and 1995 to pay nonlegislative members' per diem expenses and such other expenses as the commission deems appropriate;

(6) \$350,000 in fiscal year 1993 and \$1,200,000 annually in fiscal years 1994 and 1995 to the intergovernmental information systems advisory council to develop a local government financial reporting system, with the participation and ongoing oversight of the legislative commission on planning and fiscal policy; and

(7) in fiscal year 1993 only, the transition credit under section 273.1398, subdivision 5, and the disparity reduction credit under section 273.1398, subdivision 4, for school districts. The school districts' transition credit and disparity reduction credit shall be appropriated to the commissioner of education.

(b) In addition, the legislature shall appropriate the rest of the trust fund receipts for fiscal year 1993 and subsequent years to finance intergovernmental aid formulas or programs prescribed by law.

#### Sec. 4. [207A.10] REIMBURSEMENT OF ELECTION EXPENSES.

Subdivision 1. DUTIES OF SECRETARY OF STATE. The secretary of state shall reimburse the counties and municipalities for expenses incurred in the administration of the presidential primary from the funds appropriated by the legislature for this purpose, as provided in this section. Up to \$7,500 of the appropriation for reimbursement of election expenses may be retained by the secretary of state to administer the reimbursement program.

Subd. 2. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES. The following expenses are eligible for reimbursement: salaries of election judges; postage for absentee ballots; preparation of polling places, in an amount not to exceed \$25 per polling place; preparation of electronic voting systems or lever voting machines, in an amount not to exceed \$50 per precinct; compensation of county canvassing board members; and compensation for temporary staff or overtime payments.

Subd. 3. CERTIFICATION OF COSTS. The county auditor shall certify to the secretary of state the costs incurred by the county for the presidential primary. The municipal clerk shall certify to the secretary of state the costs incurred by the municipality for the presidential primary. If the total amount certified by all units for temporary staff and overtime payments exceeds \$480,000, the secretary of state shall reduce those amounts so that they do not

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exceed \$480,000. The secretary of state shall provide each county and municipality with the appropriate forms for this certification. The secretary of state may require that the county auditor or municipal clerk provide documentation of actual expenditures made for the presidential primary. The certification of costs must be submitted to the secretary of state no later than 60 days after the presidential primary. No reimbursement of expenses must be made unless the certification of costs has been submitted as provided in this subdivision.

Subd. 4. APPORTIONMENT OF REIMBURSEMENTS. If the total amount of requests for reimbursement of expenses exceeds the total amount appropriated to the secretary of state for this purpose, the secretary of state shall proportionately reduce the reimbursements so that they do not exceed the amount appropriated.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 256.025, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. PAYMENT METHODS. (a) Beginning July 1, 1991, the state will reimburse counties for the county share of county agency expenditures for benefits and services distributed under subdivision 2 and funded by the human services account established under section 273.1392; ~~except as follows:~~

~~(1) beginning July 1, 1992, the county shall pay 25 percent of the costs of the growth in emergency general assistance payments which exceed expenditures during the base year of calendar year 1990;~~

~~(2) beginning July 1, 1992, the county shall pay 25 percent of the costs of the growth in eligible general assistance negotiated rate payments which exceed expenditures during the base year of calendar year 1990;~~

~~(3) beginning July 1, 1992, the county shall pay 15 percent of the costs of the growth in Minnesota supplemental aid negotiated rate payments made which exceed expenditures during the base year of calendar year 1990;~~

~~(4) beginning July 1, 1992, the county shall pay 50 percent of the nonfederal portion of the growth in emergency assistance payments made which exceed expenditures during the base year of calendar year 1990.~~

(b) Payments under subdivision 4 are only for client benefits and services distributed under subdivision 2 and do not include reimbursement for county administrative expenses.

(c) The state and the county agencies shall pay for assistance programs as follows:

(1) Where the state issues payments for the programs, the county shall monthly advance to the state, as required by the department of human services, the portion of program costs not met by federal and state funds. The advance shall be an estimate that is based on actual expenditures from the prior period and that is sufficient to compensate for the county share of disbursements as well as state and federal shares of recoveries;

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(2) Where the county agencies issue payments for the programs, the state shall monthly advance to counties all federal funds available for those programs together with an amount of state funds equal to the state share of expenditures; and

(3) Payments made under this paragraph are subject to section 256.017. Adjustment of any overestimate or underestimate in advances shall be made by the state agency in any succeeding month.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 256.025, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **PAYMENT SCHEDULE.** Except as provided for in subdivision 3, beginning July 1, 1991, the state will reimburse counties, according to the following payment schedule, for the county share of county agency expenditures for the programs specified in subdivision 2.

(a) Beginning July 1, 1991, the state will reimburse or pay the county share of county agency expenditures according to the reporting cycle as established by the commissioner, for the programs identified in subdivision 2. Payments for the period of January 1 through July 31, for calendar years 1991, 1992, and 1993 shall be made on or before July 10 in each of those years. Payments for the period August through December for calendar years 1991, 1992, and 1993 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31 in each of those years.

(b) Payment for 1/24 of the base amount and the January 1994 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before January 3, 1994. For the period of February 1, 1994, through July 31, 1994, payment of the base amount shall be made on or before July 10, 1994, and payment of the growth amount over the base amount shall be made on or before ~~the third of each month~~ July 10, 1994. Payments for the period August 1994 through December 1994 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1994.

(c) Payment for the county share of county agency expenditures during January 1995 shall be made on or before January 3, 1995. Payment for 1/24 of the base amount and the February 1995 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before February 3, 1995. For the period of March 1, 1995, through July 31, 1995, payment of the base amount shall be made on or before July 10, 1995, and payment of the growth amount over the base amount shall be made on or before ~~the third of each month~~ July 10, 1995. Payments for the period August 1995 through December 1995 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1995.

(d) Monthly payments for the county share of county agency expenditures from January 1996 through February 1996 shall be made on or before the third of each month through February 1996. Payment for 1/24 of the base amount

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and the March 1996 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before March 1996. For the period of April 1, 1996, through July 31, 1996, payment of the base amount shall be made on or before July 10, 1996, and payment of the growth amount over the base amount shall be made on or before ~~the third of each month~~ July 10, 1996. Payments for the period August 1996 through December 1996 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1996.

(e) Monthly payments for the county share of county agency expenditures from January 1997 through March 1997 shall be made on or before the third of each month through March 1997. Payment for 1/24 of the base amount and the April 1997 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before April 3, 1997. For the period of May 1, 1997, through July 31, 1997, payment of the base amount shall be made on or before July 10, 1997, and payment of the growth amount over the base amount shall be made on or before ~~the third of each month~~ July 10, 1997. Payments for the period August 1997 through December 1997 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1997.

(f) Monthly payments for the county share of county agency expenditures from January 1998 through April 1998 shall be made on or before the third of each month through April 1998. Payment for 1/24 of the base amount and the May 1998 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before May 3, 1998. For the period of June 1, 1998, through July 31, 1998, payment of the base amount shall be made on or before July 10, 1998, and payment of the growth amount over the base amount shall be made on or before ~~the third of each month~~ July 10, 1998. Payments for the period August 1998 through December 1998 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1998.

(g) Monthly payments for the county share of county agency expenditures from January 1999 through May 1999 shall be made on or before the third of each month through May 1999. Payment for 1/24 of the base amount and the June 1999 county share of county agency expenditures growth amount for the programs identified in subdivision 2 shall be made on or before June 3, 1999. ~~For the period of June 1, 1999, through July 31, 1999, payment shall be made on or before July 10, 1999.~~ Payments for the period ~~August~~ July 1999 through December 1999 shall be made on or before the third of each month thereafter through December 31, 1999.

(h) Effective January 1, 2000, monthly payments for the county share of county agency expenditures shall be made subsequent to the first of each month.

Payments under this subdivision are subject to the provisions of section 256.017.

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Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 256E.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12. APPROPRIATION. \$51,566,000 is appropriated from the local government trust fund in fiscal year 1993 and \$53,113,000 annually in fiscal years 1994 and thereafter to the commissioner of human services for payment of aid under this section. Notwithstanding subdivisions 1 and 2, the increased appropriation available in fiscal year 1994 and thereafter shall be used to increase each county's aid proportionately over the aid received in calendar year 1992. For calendar year 1993 only, each county's aid will be adjusted appropriately to reflect the increase that is dictated to occur in the second half of the calendar year.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD AND AGRICULTURAL TRANSITION CREDIT GUARANTEE. Beginning with taxes payable in 1990, each unique taxing jurisdiction may receive additional homestead and agricultural transition credit guarantee payments.

Each year, the commissioner shall determine the total education aids paid under chapters 124 and 124A, homestead and agricultural credit aid and disparity reduction aid paid under this section, local government aid to cities, counties, and towns paid under chapter 477A, and human services aids, including, for aids paid in 1991 and thereafter, the amount paid under subdivision 5b, paid to counties for each taxing jurisdiction. The commissioner shall apportion each governmental unit's aids to each school district portion of each city and town based upon the proportion that each school district portion of each city and town's tax capacity bears to the total tax capacity of the local governmental unit. For purposes of this subdivision, "governmental unit" includes counties, cities, towns, and school districts, and excludes special taxing districts.

If the amount determined is less than the amount of homestead credit and agricultural credit received by all properties for taxes payable in 1989 in the school district portion of each city or town, the difference will be additional homestead and agricultural transition credit guarantee payments for that school district portion of the city or town in the following taxes payable year. The additional credit amount shall proportionately reduce the local tax rates of all governmental units levying taxes within that school district portion of the city or town in the following year. The commissioner shall certify the amounts of additional credits determined under this subdivision to the county auditor at the time provided in subdivision 6. For aid payable in 1992 and subsequent years, the aid payable under this subdivision shall be reduced by any reductions required in the current year and permanent reductions required in previous years under section 477A.0132.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

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Subd. 7. **APPROPRIATION.** (a) An amount sufficient to pay the aids and credits provided under this section for school districts, intermediate school districts, or any group of school districts levying as a single taxing entity, except aid provided under subdivisions 4 and 5 for fiscal year 1993 only, is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue education. An amount sufficient to pay the aids and credits provided under this section for counties, cities, towns, and special taxing districts, except as provided under paragraph (b), is annually appropriated from the local government trust fund to the commissioner of revenue. A jurisdiction's aid amount may be increased or decreased based on any prior year adjustments for homestead credit or other property tax credit or aid programs.

(b) An amount sufficient to pay the aid provided under subdivision 5a is appropriated four percent from the local government trust fund and 96 percent from the general fund in fiscal year 1993 and entirely from the general fund in fiscal year 1994 and thereafter.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 274.20, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **APPROPRIATION.** There is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue education a sum sufficient to pay the aids provided under this section for school districts, intermediate school districts, or any group of school districts levying as a single taxing entity. There is annually appropriated from the local government trust fund to the commissioner of revenue a sum sufficient to pay the aids provided under this section to counties, cities, towns, and special taxing districts.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290A.23, is amended to read:

**290A.23 APPROPRIATION.**

Subdivision 1. RENTERS CREDIT AND TARGETING. There is appropriated from the general fund in the state treasury to the commissioner of revenue the amount necessary to make the payments required by ~~this chapter~~ under section 290A.04, subdivisions 2a and 2h.

Subd. 2. HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX REFUND. There is appropriated from the local government trust fund to the commissioner of revenue the amount necessary to make the payments required under section 290A.04, subdivision 2.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299C.18, is amended to read:

**299C.18 REPORTS.**

Biennially, on or before November 15, in each even-numbered year the superintendent shall submit to the governor and the legislature a detailed report of the operations of the bureau, of information about crime and the handling of crimes and criminals by state and local officials collected by the bureau, and the

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superintendent's interpretations of the information, with comments and recommendations. The data contained in the report on Part I offenses cleared by arrest, as defined by the United States Department of Justice, shall be collected and tabulated geographically at least on a county-by-county basis. In such reports the superintendent shall, from time to time, include recommendations to the legislature for dealing with crime and criminals and information as to conditions and methods in other states in reference thereto, and shall furnish a copy of such report to each member of the legislature.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.012, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **AID OFFSET FOR 1992 COURT AND PUBLIC DEFENDER COSTS.** (a) There shall be deducted from the payment to a county under this section an amount equal to the cost of jury fees and, in the case of a county located in the third or sixth judicial district, of public defense services in juvenile and misdemeanor cases, to the extent those costs are assumed by the state for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1992. The amount of the deduction is computed as provided in this subdivision.

(b) By June 30, 1991, the supreme court shall determine and certify to the department of revenue for each county, except counties located in the eighth judicial district, the cost for each county of jury fees during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1992.

(c) By June 30, 1991, the board of public defense shall determine and certify to the department of revenue the pro rata share for each county in the third or sixth judicial district of the cost of the state-financed public defense services in juvenile and misdemeanor cases in the third or sixth judicial district during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1992.

(d) One-half of the amount computed under paragraphs (b) and (c) for each county shall be deducted from each local government aid payment to the county under section 477A.015 in 1992 and each subsequent year. If the amount computed under paragraph (b) exceeds the amount payable to a county under subdivision 1, the excess shall be deducted from the aid payable to the county under section 273.1398, subdivision 2, and then, if necessary, from the disparity reduction aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 3. No payments shall be made from the local government trust fund to the general fund for county aid reductions under subdivisions 3, 4, and 6.

Sec. 14. [477A.0121] COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE AID.

Subdivision 1. PURPOSE. County criminal justice aid is intended to reduce the reliance of county criminal justice and corrections programs and associated costs on local property taxes.

County criminal justice aids must be used to pay expenses associated with criminal justice activities including law enforcement, criminal adjudication, and corrections.

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Subd. 2. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) "population" means the population according to the most recent federal census, or according to the state demographer's most recent estimate if it has been issued subsequent to the most recent federal census; and

(2) "Part I crimes" means the total number of Part I crimes reported for each county by the department of public safety for the most recent year available. By July 1 of each year the commissioner of public safety shall certify to the commissioner of revenue the number of Part I crimes reported for each county.

Subd. 3. FORMULA. Each calendar year, the commissioner of revenue shall distribute county criminal justice aid to each county in an amount determined according to the following formula:

(1) one-half shall be distributed to each county in the same proportion that the county's population is to the population of all counties in the state; and

(2) one-half shall be distributed to each county in the same proportion that the county's Part I crimes are to the total Part I crimes for all counties in the state.

Subd. 4. PUBLIC DEFENDER COSTS. Each calendar year, four percent of the total appropriation for this section shall be retained by the commissioner of revenue to make reimbursements to the commissioner of finance for payments made under section 611.27. The reimbursements shall be to defray the additional costs associated with court-ordered counsel under section 611.27. Any retained amounts not used for reimbursement in a year shall be carried over and distributed as additional county criminal justice aid in the following year.

Subd. 5. PAYMENT DATES. The aid amounts for each calendar year shall be paid as provided in section 477A.015.

Subd. 6. REPORT. By March 15 of each year following the year in which criminal justice aids are received, each county must file a report with the commissioner of revenue describing how criminal justice aids were spent, and demonstrating that they were used for criminal justice purposes.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.013, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **TOWNS.** In calendar year 1990, each town that had levied for taxes payable in the prior year a local tax rate of at least .008 shall receive a distribution equal to 106 percent of the amount received in 1989 under this subdivision. In calendar year years 1991 and ~~subsequent years~~ 1992, each town that had levied for taxes payable in the prior year a local tax rate of at least .008 shall receive a distribution equal to the amount it received in the previous year under this subdivision less any permanent reductions made under section 477A.0132.

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In 1993 and thereafter, each town that had levied for taxes payable in the prior year a local tax rate of at least .008 shall receive a distribution equal to the amount it received in 1992 before any nonpermanent reductions made under section 477A.0132 plus \$1 per capita based on the town's population.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.013, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **CITY AID DISTRIBUTION.** In 1989, a city whose initial aid is greater than \$0 will receive the following aid increases in addition to an amount equal to the local government aid it received in 1988 under Minnesota Statutes 1987 Supplement, section 477A.013:

(1) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.5, two percent of city revenue;

(2) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.4 but less than 1.5, 2.5 percent of city revenue;

(3) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.3 but less than 1.4, three percent of city revenue;

(4) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.2 but less than 1.3, four percent of city revenue;

(5) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.1 but less than 1.2, five percent of city revenue;

(6) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.05 but less than 1.1, six percent of city revenue;

(7) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least 1.0 but less than 1.05, seven percent of city revenue;

(8) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least .95 but less than 1.0, 7.5 percent of city revenue;

(9) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is at least .75 but less than .95, 8.5 percent of city revenue; and

(10) for a city whose expenditure/unlimited aid ratio is less than .75, nine percent of city revenue.

In 1990, a city whose initial aid is greater than \$0 will receive an amount equal to the aid it received under this section in the year prior to that for which aids are being calculated plus an aid increase equal to 50 percent of the rates listed in clauses (1) to (10) multiplied by city revenue.

In 1991 and ~~subsequent years~~ 1992, a city will receive an amount equal to the local government aid it received under this section in the previous year, less any permanent reductions made under section 477A.0132.

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In 1993 and thereafter, a city will receive an amount equal to 103 percent of the local government aid it received under this section in 1992 before any non-permanent reductions made under section 477A.0132.

For aids payable in 1990, a city's aid increase under this subdivision is limited to the lesser of (1) 20 percent of its levy for taxes payable in the year prior to that for which aids are being calculated, or (2) its initial aid amount, or (3) 15 percent of the total local government aid amount received under this section in the previous year, provided that no city will receive an increase that is less than two percent of its 1989 local government aid for aids payable in 1990.

A city whose initial aid is \$0 will receive in 1990 an amount equal to 102 percent of the local government aid it received in 1989 under Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 477A.013. For purposes of this subdivision, the term "local government aid" does not include equalization aid amounts under subdivision 5.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 477A.013, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **EQUALIZATION AID.** A city is eligible for equalization aid equal to the aid amount received under this subdivision in 1990 after the adjustments, if any, under subdivisions 6 and 7, plus an equalization aid increase equal to the product of (i) a city's average levy for the three immediately preceding years less the disparity reduction aids allocated to the city pursuant to section 273.1398, subdivision 3, for the year prior to the aid distribution, and less the equalization aid it received under this section in the year prior to that for which the aid is being calculated, (ii) .30, and (iii) one minus the ratio of the net tax capacity per capita to 900. The equalization aid increase under this section is limited to 12 percent of the total aid the city received under this section in the prior year. The aid under this section cannot be less than zero. For the purposes of this subdivision, "levy" includes a city's levy on fiscal disparities distribution under section 473F.08, subdivision 3, paragraph (a).

~~If the amount allocated under section 477A.03, subdivision 1, appropriated~~ is insufficient to pay the aid amounts calculated under this subdivision, the commissioner of revenue shall first proportionately reduce the equalization aid increase for each city so that the sum of the equalization aid amounts paid under this subdivision equals the amount ~~allocated in section 477A.03, subdivision 1~~ appropriated. If the equalization aid increase is reduced to zero and the amount ~~allocated under section 477A.03, subdivision 1~~ appropriated is still insufficient to pay the aid amounts under this subdivision, the remaining amount of equalization aid for each city will be reduced proportionately so that the sum of the aid paid under this subdivision equals the amount ~~allocated in section 477A.03, subdivision 1~~ appropriated.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.0132, is amended to read:

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## 477A.0132 AID REDUCTIONS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

Subdivision 1. **AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.** The following permanent and nonpermanent reductions shall be made in aids paid to the following local units of government:

(a) ~~For aids payable in 1990, there shall be a permanent reduction in aids to counties and cities of \$28,000,000.~~

(b) ~~For aids payable on July 20, 1991, there shall be a nonpermanent reduction in aid payments to counties, cities, towns, and special taxing districts of \$50,000,000.~~

(c) ~~For aids payable on December 15, 1991, there shall be a nonpermanent reduction in aids to counties, cities, towns, and special taxing districts of \$35,000,000. For purposes of this reduction, hospital districts are not considered special taxing districts.~~

(d) For aids payable in 1992, there shall be a permanent reduction in aids to counties, cities, and special taxing districts of \$86,000,000. For purposes of this reduction, hospital districts are not considered special taxing districts.

(e) ~~For (b) Aid reductions required under section 477A.014, subdivision 1a 16A.711, subdivision 5, there shall be a nonpermanent reduction reductions in aids to counties, cities, towns, and special taxing districts equal to the difference between the aid amounts certified to be paid and the amount appropriated under Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 2, section 3, of the appropriation to pay the aids.~~

Subd. 2. **CALCULATION OF AID REDUCTION.** The aid reduction to each local government as provided under subdivision 1 will be equal to the product of the reduction percentage and its reduction base. The reduction base is defined as the following:

(a) For subdivision 1, clause (a), the reduction base is equal to the adjusted revenue base for ~~1991~~ 1992.

(b) ~~For subdivision 1, clause (b), the reduction base is equal to the revenue base for 1992.~~

(c) For subdivision 1, clause (c) ~~(b)~~, the reduction base is equal to the adjusted revenue base for ~~1992~~.

(d) ~~For subdivision 1, clause (d), the reduction base is equal to the adjusted revenue base for 1992.~~

(e) ~~For subdivision 1, clause (e), the reduction base is equal to the adjusted revenue base for the year in which the aid payment is to be made.~~

Subd. 3. **ORDER OF AID REDUCTIONS.** The aid reduction to a local

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government as calculated under subdivisions 1 and 2, is first applied to its local government aid under sections 477A.012 and 477A.013 excluding aid under section 477A.013, subdivision 5; then, if necessary, to its equalization aid under section 477A.013, subdivision 5; then if necessary, to its homestead and agricultural credit aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 2; and then, if necessary, to its disparity reduction aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 3; and then, if necessary, to its homestead and agricultural transition credit guarantee under section 273.1398, subdivision 5. No aid payment may be less than \$0. Aid reductions under this section in any given year shall be divided equally between the July 20 and December 15 aid payments unless specified otherwise ~~in subdivision 4.~~

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **ANNUAL APPROPRIATION.** A sum sufficient to discharge the duties imposed by sections 477A.011 to 477A.014 is annually appropriated from the local government trust fund to the commissioner of revenue. For aids payable in ~~1991~~ 1993 and thereafter, the total amount of equalization aid paid under section 477A.013, subdivision 5, is limited to ~~\$19,485,684~~ \$20,011,000.

In 1993 and subsequent years, \$8,400,000 per year is appropriated from the local government trust fund to make payments under section 477A.0121.

Sec. 20. **CITY OF ALDEN; LOCAL GOVERNMENT AID.**

For aid payments in 1993 and thereafter, local government aid to the city of Alden, Freeborn county, as determined under Minnesota Statutes, sections 477A.013 and 477A.0132, is increased by \$838. These amounts reimburse the city for state aid decreases attributable to an error in the city's 1990 levy, payable in 1991.

If local government aid provisions are enacted in 1992 or thereafter which do not use the city's 1990 levy as a base year to determine local government aids, this section does not apply to those aids.

The commissioner of revenue shall pay the local government aid under this section from the amounts appropriated to the commissioner by law from the local government trust fund for payment of local government aid. For purposes of any proportional increases or decreases in local government aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.711, due to the amount of funds in the local government trust fund, payments under this section must be included in local government aid payable to the city of Alden.

Sec. 21. **LOCAL APPROVAL; EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 20 is effective the day following compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the governing body of the city of Alden.

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**Sec. 22. AID ADJUSTMENT.**

The amount by which any county's homestead and agricultural credit aid offset exceeded its actual public defender levy for 1991 shall be permanently added back to the county's homestead and agricultural credit aid base for aids paid in 1993. Counties may apply for an aid adjustment on a form prescribed by the commissioner of revenue by July 1, 1992. The aggregate amount of all adjustments shall not exceed \$500,000. If the sum of all counties aid adjustments exceeds this amount, the commissioner shall proportionately reduce all adjustment amounts so that the total is \$500,000.

**Sec. 23. APPROPRIATION CANCELLATION.**

Any fiscal year 1993 appropriation from the general fund enacted prior to enactment of this act to pay community social services aids under Minnesota Statutes, section 256E.06, is canceled.

**Sec. 24. APPROPRIATION.**

(a) The sum of \$978,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of human services in fiscal year 1993 for the state takeover of the growth of the income maintenance aids under section 5.

(b) The sum of \$2,483,375 is appropriated from the general fund to the secretary of state in fiscal year 1992 for the purposes authorized in section 4. If any amount certified under section 4 remain unpaid on July 1, 1992, a sum sufficient to pay the remaining aids is carried forward to fiscal year 1993 provided the total appropriation does not exceed \$2,483,375.

**Sec. 25. INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR.**

In the next edition of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall change references to the homestead and agricultural credit guarantee to transition credit wherever the terms appear in Minnesota Statutes.

**Sec. 26. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 16A.711, subdivision 3; and Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 2, section 3, is repealed.

**Sec. 27. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 4 and 24, paragraph (b), are effective the day following final enactment. Sections 1, 11, and 13 are effective July 1, 1993. Section 10 is effective July 1, 1994. Section 14 is effective for aids payable in 1993 and thereafter.

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## ARTICLE 2

## PROPERTY TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 47.209, is amended to read:

**47.209 MANUFACTURED HOME FINANCING; PROPERTY TAX ESCROW COLLECTION REQUIREMENT.**

Subdivision 1. APPLICABILITY. This section applies to any agreement entered into after December 31, ~~1991~~ 1992, for the financing or refinancing of a purchase of a manufactured home ~~shall require that the lender maintain an escrow account for deposit of payments for property taxes payable on the manufactured home, and that the borrower make the required payments.~~ As used in this section and section 277.17, "lender" includes a state bank and trust company, national banking association, state or federally chartered savings and loan association, mortgage bank, mutual savings bank, insurance company, credit union, or a dealer as defined in section 327B.01, subdivision 7, ~~who that~~ enters into an agreement for financing or refinancing a purchase of a manufactured home.

Subd. 2. CONDITION OF FINANCING AGREEMENT. Each agreement must contain a statement that it is a condition of the agreement that the borrower must agree to pay all taxes on the manufactured home when due.

Subd. 3. COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES. Within 30 days of receipt of a notice of delinquency from a county under section 277.17, the lender must notify the mortgagor that the tax must be paid in full no later than 60 days from the date of issuance of the notice. The notice must inform the mortgagor that if the tax is not paid by that date, the lender may pay the delinquent tax, together with any penalty and interest then due, in full to the county. The notice may inform the mortgagor of the lender's option to begin foreclosure proceedings. The county may only request payment and collection of taxes that have been delinquent for no longer than one year under this section. The county must notify the lender if the owner of the manufactured home pays the delinquent taxes at any time during the 60 days after the notice has been issued.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.241, is amended to read:

**103B.241 LEVY LEVIES.**

Subdivision 1. WATERSHED PLANS. A levy to pay the increased costs to a local government unit or watershed management organization of implementing sections 103B.231 and 103B.235 or to pay costs of improvements and maintenance of improvements identified in an approved and adopted plan shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized by law. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in chapter 103D, a watershed district may levy a tax sufficient to pay the increased costs to the district of implementing sections 103B.231 and

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103B.235. The proceeds of any tax levied under this section shall be deposited in a separate fund and expended only for the purposes authorized by this section. Watershed management organizations and local government units may accumulate the proceeds of levies as an alternative to issuing bonds to finance improvements. ~~The amount authorized under this section and levied by a governmental subdivision is not exempt from sections 275.50 to 275.56.~~

**Subd. 2. PRIORITY PROGRAMS; SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.** A county may levy amounts necessary to pay the reasonable increased costs to soil and water conservation districts of administering and implementing priority programs identified in an approved and adopted plan.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.255, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 13. PROPERTY TAX LEVIES.** A metropolitan county may levy amounts necessary to administer and implement an approved and adopted groundwater plan. A county may levy amounts necessary to pay the reasonable increased costs to soil and water conservation districts and watershed management organizations of administering and implementing priority programs identified in the county's groundwater plan.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.335, is amended to read:

**103B.335 TAX; EXEMPTION FROM PER CAPITA LEVY LIMIT.**

**Subdivision 1. LOCAL WATER PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT.** The governing body of any county, municipality, or township may levy a tax in an amount required to implement sections 103B.301 to 103B.355. ~~The amount of the levy up to 0.01813 percent of taxable market value is exempt from the per capita levy limit under section 275.11.~~

**Subd. 2. PRIORITY PROGRAMS; CONSERVATION AND WATERSHED DISTRICTS.** A county may levy amounts necessary to pay the reasonable increased costs to soil and water conservation districts and watershed districts of administering and implementing priority programs identified in an approved and adopted plan.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 124.2131, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. ADJUSTED GROSS TAX CAPACITY.** (a) **COMPUTATION.** The department of revenue shall annually conduct an assessment/sales ratio study of the taxable property in each school district in accordance with the procedures in paragraphs (b) and (c). Based upon the results of this assessment/sales ratio study, the department of revenue shall determine an aggregate equalized gross tax capacity and an aggregate equalized net tax capacity for the various classes of taxable property in each school district, which tax capacity shall be designated as the adjusted gross tax capacity and the adjusted net tax capac-

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ity, respectively. The department of revenue may incur the expense necessary to make the determinations. The commissioner of revenue may reimburse any county or governmental official for requested services performed in ascertaining the adjusted gross tax capacity and the adjusted net tax capacity. On or before March 15 annually, the department of revenue shall file with the chair of the tax committee of the house of representatives and the chair of the committee on taxes and tax laws of the senate a report of adjusted gross tax capacities and adjusted net tax capacities. On or before April 15 annually, the department of revenue shall file its final report on the adjusted gross tax capacities and adjusted net tax capacities established by the previous year's assessment with the commissioner of education and each county auditor for those school districts for which the auditor has the responsibility for determination of local tax rates. A copy of the report so filed shall be mailed to the clerk of each district involved and to the county assessor or supervisor of assessments of the county or counties in which each district is located.

(b) **METHODOLOGY.** In making its annual assessment/sales ratio studies, the department of revenue shall use a methodology consistent with the most recent Standard on Assessment Ratio Studies published by the assessment standards committee of the International Association of Assessing Officers. The commissioner of revenue shall supplement this general methodology with specific procedures necessary for execution of the study in accordance with other Minnesota laws impacting the assessment/sales ratio study. The commissioner shall document these specific procedures in writing and shall publish the procedures in the State Register, but these procedures will not be considered "rules" pursuant to the Minnesota administrative procedure act.

(c) **AGRICULTURAL LANDS.** For purposes of determining the adjusted gross tax capacity and adjusted net tax capacity of agricultural lands for the calculation of adjusted gross tax capacities and adjusted net tax capacities, the market value of agricultural lands shall be the price for which the property would sell in an arms length transaction.

(d) **FORCED SALES.** The commissioner may include forced sales in the assessment/sales ratio studies if it is determined by the commissioner that these forced sales indicate true market value.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270B.12, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 8. COUNTY ASSESSORS. The commissioner may disclose names and social security numbers of individuals who have applied for both homestead classification under section 273.13 and a property tax refund as a renter under chapter 290A for the purpose of and to the extent necessary to administer section 290A.25.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 271.06, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

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Subd. 7. **RULES.** (a) The rules of evidence and civil procedure for the district court of Minnesota shall govern the procedures in the tax court, where practicable. The tax court may adopt rules under chapter 14. The rules in effect on January 1, 1989, apply until superseded.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), information, including income and expense figures, verified net rentable areas, and anticipated income and expenses, for income-producing property which is not provided to the county assessor at least 45 days before any hearing under this chapter, is not admissible except if necessary to prevent undue hardship or when the failure to provide it was due to the unavailability of the evidence at that time.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) and provided that the information as contained in paragraph (b) is timely submitted to the county assessor, the county assessor shall furnish the petitioner at least five days before the hearing under this chapter with the property's appraisal, if any, which will be presented to the court at the hearing. The petitioner shall furnish to the county assessor at least five days before the hearing under this chapter with the property's appraisal, if any, which will be presented to the court at the hearing. An appraisal of the petitioner's property done by or for the county or by or for the petitioner shall not be admissible as evidence if the provisions within this paragraph are not met.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 271.21, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. ~~(a)~~ The hearing in the small claims division shall be informal and without a jury. The judge may hear any testimony and receive any evidence the judge deems necessary or desirable for a just determination of the case except as provided in paragraph (b). Sales ratio studies published by the department of revenue may be admissible as a public record without foundation. All testimony shall be given under oath. A party may appear personally or may be represented or accompanied by an attorney. No transcript of the proceedings shall be kept.

~~(b) Information, including income and expense figures, verified net rentable areas, and anticipated income and expenses, for income-producing property which is not provided to the county assessor at least 30 days before any hearing under this chapter, is not admissible except if necessary to prevent undue hardship or when the failure to provide it was due to the unavailability of the evidence at that time.~~

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 272.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. All property described in this section to the extent herein limited shall be exempt from taxation:

- (1) all public burying grounds;
- (2) all public schoolhouses;

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- (3) all public hospitals;
- (4) all academies, colleges, and universities, and all seminaries of learning;
- (5) all churches, church property, and houses of worship;
- (6) institutions of purely public charity except parcels of property containing structures and the structures described in section 273.13, subdivision 25, paragraph (c), clauses (1), (2), and (3), or paragraph (d);
- (7) all public property exclusively used for any public purpose;
- (8) except for the taxable personal property enumerated below, all personal property and the property described in section 272.03, subdivision 1, paragraphs (c) and (d), shall be exempt.

The following personal property shall be taxable:

- (a) personal property which is part of an electric generating, transmission, or distribution system or a pipeline system transporting or distributing water, gas, crude oil, or petroleum products or mains and pipes used in the distribution of steam or hot or chilled water for heating or cooling buildings and structures;
  - (b) railroad docks and wharves which are part of the operating property of a railroad company as defined in section 270.80;
  - (c) personal property defined in section 272.03, subdivision 2, clause (3);
  - (d) leasehold or other personal property interests which are taxed pursuant to section 272.01; subdivision 2; 273.124, subdivision 7; or 273.19, subdivision 1; or any other law providing the property is taxable as if the lessee or user were the fee owner;
  - (e) manufactured homes and sectional structures, including storage sheds, decks, and similar removable improvements constructed on the site of a manufactured home, sectional structure, park trailer or travel trailer as provided in section 274.19, subdivision 8, paragraph (f); and
  - (f) flight property as defined in section 270.071.
- (9) Personal property used primarily for the abatement and control of air, water, or land pollution to the extent that it is so used, and real property which is used primarily for abatement and control of air, water, or land pollution as part of an agricultural operation, as a part of a centralized treatment and recovery facility operating under a permit issued by the Minnesota pollution control agency pursuant to chapters 115 and 116 and Minnesota Rules, parts 7001.0500 to 7001.0730, and 7045.0020 to 7045.1260, as a wastewater treatment facility and for the treatment, recovery, and stabilization of metals, oils, chemicals, water, sludges, or inorganic materials from hazardous industrial wastes, or as part of an electric generation system. For purposes of this clause, personal prop-

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erty includes ponderous machinery and equipment used in a business or production activity that at common law is considered real property.

Any taxpayer requesting exemption of all or a portion of any real property or any equipment or device, or part thereof, operated primarily for the control or abatement of air or water pollution shall file an application with the commissioner of revenue. The equipment or device shall meet standards, rules, or criteria prescribed by the Minnesota pollution control agency, and must be installed or operated in accordance with a permit or order issued by that agency. The Minnesota pollution control agency shall upon request of the commissioner furnish information or advice to the commissioner. On determining that property qualifies for exemption, the commissioner shall issue an order exempting the property from taxation. The equipment or device shall continue to be exempt from taxation as long as the permit issued by the Minnesota pollution control agency remains in effect.

(10) Wetlands. For purposes of this subdivision, "wetlands" means: (i) land described in section 103G.005, subdivision 18; (ii) land which is mostly under water, produces little if any income, and has no use except for wildlife or water conservation purposes, provided it is preserved in its natural condition and drainage of it would be legal, feasible, and economically practical for the production of livestock, dairy animals, poultry, fruit, vegetables, forage and grains, except wild rice; or (iii) land in a wetland preservation area under sections 103F.612 to 103F.616. "Wetlands" under items (i) and (ii) include adjacent land which is not suitable for agricultural purposes due to the presence of the wetlands, but do not include woody swamps containing shrubs or trees, wet meadows, meandered water, streams, rivers, and floodplains or river bottoms. Exemption of wetlands from taxation pursuant to this section shall not grant the public any additional or greater right of access to the wetlands or diminish any right of ownership to the wetlands.

(11) Native prairie. The commissioner of the department of natural resources shall determine lands in the state which are native prairie and shall notify the county assessor of each county in which the lands are located. Pasture land used for livestock grazing purposes shall not be considered native prairie for the purposes of this clause. Upon receipt of an application for the exemption provided in this clause for lands for which the assessor has no determination from the commissioner of natural resources, the assessor shall refer the application to the commissioner of natural resources who shall determine within 30 days whether the land is native prairie and notify the county assessor of the decision. Exemption of native prairie pursuant to this clause shall not grant the public any additional or greater right of access to the native prairie or diminish any right of ownership to it.

(12) Property used in a continuous program to provide emergency shelter for victims of domestic abuse, provided the organization that owns and sponsors the shelter is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1986,

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notwithstanding the fact that the sponsoring organization receives funding under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended.

(13) If approved by the governing body of the municipality in which the property is located, property not exceeding one acre which is owned and operated by any senior citizen group or association of groups that in general limits membership to persons age 55 or older and is organized and operated exclusively for pleasure, recreation, and other nonprofit purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholders; provided the property is used primarily as a clubhouse, meeting facility, or recreational facility by the group or association and the property is not used for residential purposes on either a temporary or permanent basis.

(14) To the extent provided by section 295.44, real and personal property used or to be used primarily for the production of hydroelectric or hydromechanical power on a site owned by the state or a local governmental unit which is developed and operated pursuant to the provisions of section 103G.535.

(15) If approved by the governing body of the municipality in which the property is located, and if construction is commenced after June 30, 1983:

(a) a "direct satellite broadcasting facility" operated by a corporation licensed by the federal communications commission to provide direct satellite broadcasting services using direct broadcast satellites operating in the 12-ghz. band; and

(b) a "fixed satellite regional or national program service facility" operated by a corporation licensed by the federal communications commission to provide fixed satellite-transmitted regularly scheduled broadcasting services using satellites operating in the 6-ghz. band.

An exemption provided by clause (15) shall apply for a period not to exceed five years. When the facility no longer qualifies for exemption, it shall be placed on the assessment rolls as provided in subdivision 4. Before approving a tax exemption pursuant to this paragraph, the governing body of the municipality shall provide an opportunity to the members of the county board of commissioners of the county in which the facility is proposed to be located and the members of the school board of the school district in which the facility is proposed to be located to meet with the governing body. The governing body shall present to the members of those boards its estimate of the fiscal impact of the proposed property tax exemption. The tax exemption shall not be approved by the governing body until the county board of commissioners has presented its written comment on the proposal to the governing body or 30 days has passed from the date of the transmittal by the governing body to the board of the information on the fiscal impact, whichever occurs first.

(16) Real and personal property owned and operated by a private, nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to United States Code, title 26, section 501(c)(3), primarily used in the generation and distribution of hot water for heating buildings and structures.

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(17) Notwithstanding section 273.19, state lands that are leased from the department of natural resources under section 92.46.

(18) Electric power distribution lines and their attachments and appurtenances, that are used primarily for supplying electricity to farmers at retail.

(19) Transitional housing facilities. "Transitional housing facility" means a facility that meets the following requirements. (i) It provides temporary housing to ~~parents and children who are receiving AFDC or parents of children who are temporarily in foster care~~ individuals, couples, or families. (ii) It has the purpose of reuniting families and enabling parents or individuals to obtain self-sufficiency, advance their education, get job training, or become employed in jobs that provide a living wage. (iii) It provides support services such as child care, work readiness training, and career development counseling; and a self-sufficiency program with periodic monitoring of each resident's progress in completing the program's goals. (iv) It provides services to a resident of the facility for at least ~~six~~ three months but no longer than three years, except residents enrolled in an educational or vocational institution or job training program. These residents may receive services during the time they are enrolled but in no event longer than four years. (v) ~~It is sponsored by an organization that has received a grant under either section 256.7365 for the biennium ending June 30, 1989, or section 462A.07, subdivision 15, for the biennium ending June 30, 1991, for the purposes of providing the services in items (i) to (iv).~~ (vi) It is sponsored owned and operated or under lease from a unit of government or governmental agency under a property disposition program and operated by an organization that is one or more organizations exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1987. This exemption applies notwithstanding the fact that the sponsoring organization receives financing by a direct federal loan or federally insured loan or a loan made by the Minnesota housing finance agency under the provisions of either Title II of the National Housing Act or the Minnesota housing finance agency law of 1971 or rules promulgated by the agency pursuant to it, and notwithstanding the fact that the sponsoring organization receives funding under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended.

(20) Real and personal property, including leasehold or other personal property interests, owned and operated by a corporation if more than 50 percent of the total voting power of the stock of the corporation is owned collectively by: (i) the board of regents of the University of Minnesota, (ii) the University of Minnesota Foundation, an organization exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, and (iii) a corporation organized under chapter 317A, which by its articles of incorporation is prohibited from providing pecuniary gain to any person or entity other than the regents of the University of Minnesota; which property is used primarily to manage or provide goods, services, or facilities utilizing or relating to large-scale advanced scientific computing resources to the regents of the University of Minnesota and others.

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(21) Wind energy conversion systems, as defined in section 216C.06, subdivision 12, installed after January 1, 1991, and used as an electric power source.

(22) Containment tanks, cache basins, and that portion of the structure needed for the containment facility used to confine agricultural chemicals as defined in section 18D.01, subdivision 3, as required by the commissioner of agriculture under chapter 18B or 18C.

(23) Photovoltaic devices, as defined in article 8, section 1, installed after January 1, 1992, and used to produce or store electric power.

(24) Real and personal property owned and operated by a private, nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to United States Code, title 26, section 501(c)(3), primarily used for an ice arena or ice rink, and used primarily for youth and high school programs.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 272.115, is amended to read:

**272.115 CERTIFICATE OF VALUE; FILING.**

Subdivision 1. Except as provided in subdivision 1a, whenever any real estate is sold ~~on or after January 1, 1978,~~ for a consideration in excess of \$1,000, whether by warranty deed, quitclaim deed, contract for deed or any other method of sale, the grantor, grantee or the legal agent of either shall file a certificate of value with the county auditor in the county in which the property is located within 30 days of the sale. Value shall, in the case of any deed not a gift, be the amount of the full actual consideration thereof, paid or to be paid, including the amount of any lien or liens assumed. The certificate of value shall include the classification to which the property belongs for the purpose of determining the fair market value of the property. The certificate shall include financing terms and conditions of the sale which are necessary to determine the actual, present value of the sale price for purposes of the sales ratio study. The commissioner of revenue shall promulgate administrative rules specifying the financing terms and conditions which must be included on the certificate.

Subd. 1a. Whenever any real estate, a portion or all of which is classified as homestead under chapter 273 is sold or transferred on or after January 1, 1993, whether by warranty deed, quitclaim deed, contract for deed, or any other method of sale or transfer, the grantor, grantee, or the legal agent of either shall file a certificate of value with the county auditor in the county in which the property is located within 30 days of the sale or transfer.

Subd. 2. The certificate of value shall require such facts and information as may be determined by the commissioner to be reasonably necessary in the administration of the state education aid formulas. The form of the certificate of value shall be prescribed by the department of revenue which shall provide an adequate supply of forms to each county auditor.

Subd. 3. The county auditor shall transmit two true copies of the certificate

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of value to the assessor who shall insert the most recent market value and when available, the year of original construction of each parcel of property on both copies and shall transmit one copy to the department of revenue. Upon the request of a city council located within the county, a copy of each certificate of value for property located in that city shall be made available to the governing body of the city. The assessor shall remove the homestead classification for the following assessment year from a property which is sold or transferred, unless the grantee or the person to whom the property is transferred completes a homestead application under section 273.124, subdivision 13, and qualifies for homestead status.

Subd. 4. No real estate sold or transferred on or after January 1, 1978, ~~for which a certificate of value is required pursuant to~~ 1993, under subdivision 1a shall be classified as a homestead, unless a certificate of value has been filed with the county auditor in accordance with this section.

This subdivision shall apply to any real estate taxes that are payable the year or years following the sale or transfer of the property.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.11, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12. NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUSTS. (a) A neighborhood land trust, as defined under chapter 462A, is (i) a community-based nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A, which qualifies for tax exempt status under 501(c)(3), or (ii) a "city" as defined in section 462C.02, subdivision 6, which has received funding from the Minnesota housing finance agency for purposes of the neighborhood land trust program. The Minnesota housing finance agency shall set the criteria for neighborhood land trusts.

(b) All occupants of a neighborhood land trust building must have a family income of less than 80 percent of the greater of (1) the state median income, or (2) the area or county median income, as most recently determined by the department of housing and urban development. Before the neighborhood land trust can rent or sell a unit to an applicant, the neighborhood land trust shall verify to the satisfaction of the administering agency or the city that the family incomes of each person or family applying for a unit in the neighborhood land trust building is within the income criteria provided in this paragraph. The administering agency or the city shall verify to the satisfaction of the county assessor that the occupant meets the income criteria under this paragraph. The property tax benefits under paragraph (c) shall be granted only to property owned or rented by persons or families within the qualifying income limits. The family income criteria and verification is only necessary at the time of initial occupancy in the property.

(c) A unit which is owned by the occupant and used as a homestead by the occupant qualifies for homestead treatment as class 1a under section 273.13, subdivision 22. A unit which is rented by the occupant and used as a homestead by the occupant shall be class 4a or 4b property, under section 273.13, subdivi-

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sion 25, whichever is applicable. Any remaining portion of the property not used for residential purposes shall be classified by the assessor in the appropriate class based upon the use of that portion of the property owned by the neighborhood land trust. The land upon which the building is located shall be assessed at the same class rate as the units within the building, provided that if the building contains some units assessed as class 1a and some units assessed as class 4a or 4b, the market value of the land will be assessed in the same proportions as the value of the building.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.11, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 13. VALUATION OF INCOME-PRODUCING PROPERTY.** Beginning with the 1995 assessment, only accredited assessors or senior accredited assessors may value income-producing property for ad valorem tax purposes. "Income-producing property" as used in this subdivision means the taxable property in class 3a and 3b in section 273.13, subdivision 24; class 4a and 4c, except for seasonal recreational property not used for commercial purposes, and class 4d in section 273.13, subdivision 25; and class 5 in section 273.13, subdivision 31.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **GENERAL RULE.** (a) Residential real estate that is occupied and used for the purposes of a homestead by its owner, who must be a Minnesota resident, is a residential homestead.

Agricultural land, as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, that is occupied and used as a homestead by its owner, who must be a Minnesota resident, is an agricultural homestead.

Dates for establishment of a homestead and homestead treatment provided to particular types of property are as provided in this section.

The assessor shall require proof, by affidavit or otherwise as provided in subdivision 13, of the facts upon which classification as a homestead may be determined. Notwithstanding any other law, the assessor may at any time require a homestead application to be filed in order to verify that any property classified as a homestead continues to be eligible for homestead status.

(b) For purposes of this section, homestead property shall include property which is used for purposes of the homestead but is separated from the homestead by a road, street, lot, waterway, or other similar intervening property. The term "used for purposes of the homestead" shall include but not be limited to uses for gardens, garages, or other outbuildings commonly associated with a homestead, but shall not include vacant land held primarily for future development. In order to receive homestead treatment for the noncontiguous property, the owner shall apply for it to the assessor by July 1 of the year when the treat-

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ment is initially sought. After initial qualification for the homestead treatment, additional applications for subsequent years are not required.

(c) ~~In the case of property owned by a married couple in joint tenancy or tenancy in common, the assessor must not deny homestead treatment in whole or in part if only one of the spouses is occupying the property and the other spouse is absent due to divorce or separation, or is a resident of a nursing home or a boarding care facility.~~

(d) ~~If an individual is purchasing property with the intent of claiming it as a homestead, and is required by the terms of the financing agreement to have a relative shown on the deed as a coowner, the assessor shall allow a full homestead classification. Residential real estate that is occupied and used for purposes of a homestead by a relative of the owner is a homestead but only to the extent of the homestead treatment that would be provided if the related owner occupied the property. For purposes of this paragraph, "relative" means a parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, spouse, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, or aunt. This relationship may be by blood or marriage. Property that was classified as seasonal recreational residential property at the time when treatment under this paragraph would first apply shall continue to be classified as seasonal recreational residential property for the first two assessment years beginning after the date when the relative of the owner occupies the property as a homestead; this delay also applies to property that, in the absence of this paragraph, would have been classified as seasonal recreational residential property at the time when the residence was constructed. Neither the related occupant nor the owner of the property may claim a property tax refund under chapter 290A for a homestead occupied by a relative. In the case of a residence located on agricultural land, only the house, garage, and immediately surrounding one acre of land shall be classified as a homestead under this paragraph.~~

(e) ~~In the case of property owned and formerly occupied by two or more persons in joint tenancy or tenancy in common, when those persons are related to each other as parents and children or as stepparents and stepchildren, and when one or more of the owners ceases to occupy the property, the assessor shall continue to allow a full homestead classification as long as at least one of the owners continues to occupy the property for purposes of a homestead. This paragraph applies only to single family residential property.~~

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **LEASEHOLD COOPERATIVES.** When one or more dwellings or one or more buildings which each contain several dwelling units is owned by a nonprofit corporation subject to the provisions of chapter 317A and qualifying under section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, or a limited partnership which corporation or partnership operates the property in conjunction with a cooperative association, and has received public financing, homestead treatment may be claimed

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by the cooperative association on behalf of the members of the cooperative for each dwelling unit occupied by a member of the cooperative. The cooperative association must provide the assessor with the social security numbers of those members. To qualify for the treatment provided by this subdivision, the following conditions must be met:

(a) the cooperative association must be organized under chapter 308A and all voting members of the board of directors must be resident tenants of the cooperative and must be elected by the resident tenants of the cooperative;

(b) the cooperative association must have a lease for occupancy of the property for a term of at least 20 years, which permits the cooperative association, while not in default on the lease, to participate materially in the management of the property, including material participation in establishing budgets, setting rent levels, and hiring and supervising a management agent;

(c) to the extent permitted under state or federal law, the cooperative association must have a right under a written agreement with the owner to purchase the property if the owner proposes to sell it; if the cooperative association does not purchase the property it is offered for sale, the owner may not subsequently sell the property to another purchaser at a price lower than the price at which it was offered for sale to the cooperative association unless the cooperative association approves the sale;

(d) ~~the cooperative must meet one of the following criteria with respect to the income of its members: (1) a minimum of 75 percent of members must have incomes at or less than 80 percent of area median income; (2) a minimum of 40 percent of the cooperative association's members must have incomes at or less than 60 percent of area median gross income; or (3) a minimum of 20 percent of members must have incomes at or less than 50 percent of area median income as determined by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under section 142(d)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991.~~ For purposes of this clause, "member income" means the income of a member existing at the time the member acquires cooperative membership; and "median income" means the St. Paul-Minneapolis metropolitan area median income as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(e) if a limited partnership owns the property, it must include as the managing general partner a nonprofit organization operating under the provisions of chapter 317A and qualifying under section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, and the limited partnership agreement must provide that the managing general partner have sufficient powers so that it materially participates in the management and control of the limited partnership;

(f) prior to becoming a member of a leasehold cooperative described in this subdivision, a person must have received notice that (1) describes leasehold cooperative property in plain language, including but not limited to the effects of

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classification under this subdivision on rents, property taxes and tax credits or refunds, and operating expenses, and (2) states that copies of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the cooperative association, the lease between the owner and the cooperative association, a sample sublease between the cooperative association and a tenant, and, if the owner is a partnership, a copy of the limited partnership agreement, can be obtained upon written request at no charge from the owner, and the owner must send or deliver the materials within seven days after receiving any request;

(g) if a dwelling unit of a building was occupied on the 60th day prior to the date on which the unit became leasehold cooperative property described in this subdivision, the notice described in paragraph (f) must have been sent by first class mail to the occupant of the unit at least 60 days prior to the date on which the unit became leasehold cooperative property. For purposes of the notice under this paragraph, the copies of the documents referred to in paragraph (f) may be in proposed version, provided that any subsequent material alteration of those documents made after the occupant has requested a copy shall be disclosed to any occupant who has requested a copy of the document. Copies of the articles of incorporation and certificate of limited partnership shall be filed with the secretary of state after the expiration of the 60-day period unless the change to leasehold cooperative status does not proceed; ~~and~~

(h) the county attorney of the county in which the property is located must certify to the assessor that the property meets the requirements of this subdivision;

(i) the public financing received must be from at least one of the following sources:

(1) tax increment financing proceeds used for the acquisition or rehabilitation of the building or interest rate writedowns relating to the acquisition of the building;

(2) government issued bonds exempt from taxes under section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991, the proceeds of which are used for the acquisition or rehabilitation of the building;

(3) programs under section 221(d)(3), 202, or 236, of Title II of the National Housing Act;

(4) rental housing program funds under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 or the market rate family graduated payment mortgage program funds administered by the Minnesota housing finance agency that are used for the acquisition or rehabilitation of the building;

(5) low-income housing credit under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991;

(6) public financing provided by a local government used for the acquisition

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or rehabilitation of the building, including grants or loans from (i) federal community development block grants; (ii) HOME block grants; or (iii) residential rental bonds issued under chapter 474A; or

(7) other rental housing program funds provided by the Minnesota housing finance agency for the acquisition or rehabilitation of the building;

(i) at the time of the initial request for homestead classification or of any transfer of ownership of the property, the governing body of the municipality in which the property is located must hold a public hearing and make the following findings:

(1) that the granting of the homestead treatment of the apartment's units will facilitate safe, clean, affordable housing for the cooperative members that would otherwise not be available absent the homestead designation;

(2) that the owner has presented information satisfactory to the governing body showing that the savings garnered from the homestead designation of the units will be used to reduce tenant's rents or provide a level of furnishing or maintenance not possible absent the designation; and

(3) that the requirements of paragraphs (b), (d), and (i) have been met.

Homestead treatment must be afforded to units occupied by members of the cooperative association and the units must be assessed as provided in subdivision 3, provided that any unit not so occupied shall be classified and assessed pursuant to the appropriate class. No more than three acres of land may, for assessment purposes, be included with each dwelling unit that qualifies for homestead treatment under this subdivision.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **HOMESTEAD ESTABLISHED AFTER ASSESSMENT DATE.** Any property that was not used for the purpose of a homestead on the assessment date, but which was used for the purpose of a homestead by June 1 of a year, constitutes class 1 or class 2a.

Any taxpayer meeting the requirements of this subdivision must notify the county assessor, or the assessor who has the powers of the county assessor ~~pursuant to~~ under section 273.063, in writing, prior to June 15 of the year of occupancy in order to qualify under this subdivision. The assessor must not deny full homestead treatment to a property that is partially homesteaded on January 2 but occupied for the purpose of a full homestead by June 1 of a year.

The county assessor and the county auditor may make the necessary changes on their assessment and tax records to provide for proper homestead classification as provided in this subdivision.

If homestead classification has not been requested as of December 15, the assessor will classify the property as nonhomestead for the current assessment

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year for taxes payable in the following year, provided that the owner of any property qualifying under this subdivision, which has not been accorded the benefits of this subdivision, regardless of whether or not the notification has been timely filed, may be entitled to receive homestead classification by proper application as provided in section ~~270.07~~ or 375.192.

The county assessor shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the county no later than June 1 of each year a notice informing the public of the requirement to file an application for homestead prior to June 15.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIRED FOR HOMESTEAD APPLICATION.** On or before January 2, 1993, each county assessor shall mail a homestead application to the owner of each parcel of property within the county which was classified as homestead for the 1992 assessment year. The format and contents of a uniform homestead application shall be prescribed by the commissioner of revenue. The commissioner shall consult with the chairs of the house and senate tax committees on the contents of the homestead application form. The application must clearly inform the taxpayer that this application must be signed by all owners of the property and returned to the county assessor in order for the property to continue receiving homestead treatment. The envelope containing the homestead application shall clearly identify its contents and alert the taxpayer of its necessary immediate response.

Every four years after the initial homestead application has been filed under this subdivision, a county shall mail a homestead application to the owner of each parcel of property to verify the continued eligibility for homestead status for all properties classified as homestead within the county in the prior year's assessment. The homestead application and procedures shall be done in the same manner as contained in this subdivision for the 1993 homestead application.

On the homestead application each owner shall disclose the location of any other residential property in the state in which the owner holds full or partial ownership and for which homestead status has been granted or has been applied for at the time of the application. Each owner must also disclose the name and social security number of any relative occupying a property qualifying as a homestead under section 273.124, subdivision 1, paragraph (c). Failure to disclose the information required under this paragraph may result in the imposition of the penalty provided under this subdivision.

Every property owner applying for homestead classification must furnish to the county assessor ~~that owner's~~ the social security number of each person who is listed as an owner of the property listed on the homestead application. If the social security number is not provided, the county assessor shall classify the property as nonhomestead. The social security numbers of the property owners are private data on individuals as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12, but,

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notwithstanding that section, the private data may be disclosed to the commissioner of revenue.

If residential real estate is occupied and used for purposes of a homestead by a relative of the owner and qualifies for a homestead under section 273.124, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), in order for the property to receive homestead status, a homestead application must be filed with the assessor. The social security number of each relative occupying the property and the social security number of each owner of the property shall be required on the homestead application filed under this subdivision. If a different relative of the owner subsequently occupies the property, the owner of the property must notify the assessor within 30 days of the change in occupancy.

The homestead application shall also notify the property owners that the application filed under this section will not be mailed annually and that if the property is granted homestead status for the 1993 assessment, that same property shall remain classified as homestead until the property is sold or transferred to another person, or the owners or the relatives no longer use the property as their homestead. Upon the sale or transfer of the homestead property, a certificate of value must be timely filed with the county auditor as provided under section 272.115. Failure to notify the county within 30 days that the property has been sold, transferred, or that the owner or the relative is no longer occupying the property as a homestead, shall result in the penalty provided under this subdivision and the property will lose its current homestead status.

If the initial homestead application is not returned within 30 days, the county will send a second application to the present owners of record. The notice of proposed property taxes prepared under section 275.065, subdivision 3, shall reflect the property's classification. If a homestead application has not been filed with the county by December 15, the assessor shall classify the property as nonhomestead for the current assessment year for taxes payable in the following year, provided that the owner may be entitled to receive the homestead classification by proper application under section 375.192.

At the request of the commissioner, each county must give the commissioner a list that includes the name and social security number of each property owner applying for homestead classification under this subdivision.

If, in comparing the lists supplied by the counties, the commissioner finds that a property owner is claiming more than one homestead, the commissioner shall notify the appropriate counties. Within 90 days of the notification, the county assessor shall investigate to determine if the homestead classification was properly claimed. If the property owner does not qualify, the county assessor shall notify the county auditor who will determine the amount of homestead benefits that had been improperly allowed. For the purpose of this section, "homestead benefits" means the tax reduction resulting from the classification as a homestead under section 273.13, the taconite homestead credit under section 273.135, and the supplemental homestead credit under section 273.1391. The

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county auditor shall send a notice to the owners of the affected property, demanding reimbursement of the homestead benefits plus a penalty equal to ~~50~~ 100 percent of the homestead benefits. The property owners may appeal the county's determination by filing a notice of appeal with the Minnesota tax court within 60 days of the date of the notice from the county.

If the amount of homestead benefits and penalty is not paid within 60 days, and if no appeal has been filed, the county auditor shall certify the amount of taxes and penalty to the succeeding year's tax list to be collected as part of the property taxes.

Any amount of homestead benefits recovered by the county from the property owner ~~must be transmitted to the commissioner by the end of each calendar quarter shall be distributed to the county, city or town, and school district where the property is located in the same proportion that each taxing district's levy was to the total of the three taxing districts' levy for the current year.~~ Any amount recovered attributable to taconite homestead credit shall be transmitted to the St. Louis county auditor to be deposited in the taconite property tax relief account. The total amount of penalty collected must be deposited in the county general fund.

~~The commissioner will provide suggested homestead applications to each county.~~ If a property owner has applied for more than one homestead and the county assessors cannot determine which property should be classified as homestead, the county assessors will refer the information to the commissioner. The commissioner shall make the determination and notify the counties within 60 days.

In addition to lists of homestead properties, the commissioner may ask the counties to furnish lists of all properties and the record owners.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.13, subdivision 22, is amended to read:

Subd. 22. **CLASS 1.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 23, real estate which is residential and used for homestead purposes is class 1. The market value of class 1a property must be determined based upon the value of the house, garage, and land.

The first \$72,000 of market value of class 1a property has a net class rate of one percent of its market value and a gross class rate of 2.17 percent of its market value. For taxes payable in 1992, the market value of class 1a property that exceeds \$72,000 but does not exceed \$115,000 has a class rate of two percent of its market value; and the market value of class 1a property that exceeds \$115,000 has a class rate of 2.5 percent of its market value. For taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, the market value of class 1a property that exceeds \$72,000 has a class rate of two percent.

(b) Class 1b property includes real estate or manufactured homes used for the purposes of a homestead by

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(1) any blind person, if the blind person is the owner thereof or if the blind person and the blind person's spouse are the sole owners thereof; or

(2) any person, hereinafter referred to as "veteran," who:

(i) served in the active military or naval service of the United States; and

(ii) is entitled to compensation under the laws and regulations of the United States for permanent and total service-connected disability due to the loss, or loss of use, by reason of amputation, ankylosis, progressive muscular dystrophies, or paralysis, of both lower extremities, such as to preclude motion without the aid of braces, crutches, canes, or a wheelchair; and

(iii) has acquired a special housing unit with special fixtures or movable facilities made necessary by the nature of the veteran's disability, or the surviving spouse of the deceased veteran for as long as the surviving spouse retains the special housing unit as a homestead; or

(3) any person who:

(i) is permanently and totally disabled and

(ii) receives 90 percent or more of total income from

(A) aid from any state as a result of that disability; or

(B) supplemental security income for the disabled; or

(C) workers' compensation based on a finding of total and permanent disability; or

(D) social security disability, including the amount of a disability insurance benefit which is converted to an old age insurance benefit and any subsequent cost of living increases; or

(E) aid under the Federal Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, United States Code Annotated, title 45, section 228b(a)5; or

(F) a pension from any local government retirement fund located in the state of Minnesota as a result of that disability; or

(4) any person who is permanently and totally disabled and whose household income as defined in section 290A.03, subdivision 5, is 150 percent or less of the federal poverty level.

Property is classified and assessed under clause (4) only if the government agency or income-providing source certifies, upon the request of the property owner, that the property owner satisfies the disability requirements of this subdivision.

Property is classified and assessed pursuant to clause (1) only if the commis-

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sioner of jobs and training certifies to the assessor that the owner of the property satisfies the requirements of this subdivision.

Permanently and totally disabled for the purpose of this subdivision means a condition which is permanent in nature and totally incapacitates the person from working at an occupation which brings the person an income. The first \$32,000 market value of class 1b property has a net class rate of .45 percent of its market value and a gross class rate of .87 percent of its market value. The remaining market value of class 1b property has a gross or net class rate using the rates for class 1 or class 2a property, whichever is appropriate, of similar market value.

(c) Class 1c property is commercial use real property that abuts a lakeshore line and is devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreational purposes but not devoted to commercial purposes for more than ~~225~~ 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment, and that includes a portion used as a homestead by the owner, which includes a dwelling occupied as a homestead by a shareholder of a corporation that owns the resort or a partner in a partnership that owns the resort, even if the title to the homestead is held by the corporation or partnership. For purposes of this clause, property is devoted to a commercial purpose on a specific day if any portion of the property, excluding the portion used exclusively as a homestead, is used ~~or available for use~~ for residential occupancy and a fee is charged for residential occupancy. Class 1c property has a class rate of ~~.8 percent of the first \$32,000 of market value and one percent of market value in excess of \$32,000 for taxes payable in 1992, and one percent of total market value for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter with the following limitation: the area of the property must not exceed 100 feet of lakeshore footage for each cabin or campsite located on the property up to a total of 800 feet and 500 feet in depth, measured away from the lakeshore.~~

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.13, subdivision 25, as amended by Laws 1992, chapter 363, article 1, section 12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subd. 25. **CLASS 4.** (a) Class 4a is residential real estate containing four or more units and used or held for use by the owner or by the tenants or lessees of the owner as a residence for rental periods of 30 days or more. Class 4a also includes hospitals licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56, other than hospitals exempt under section 272.02, and contiguous property used for hospital purposes, without regard to whether the property has been platted or subdivided. Class 4a property has a class rate of 3.5 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, and 3.4 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

(b) Class 4b includes:

(1) residential real estate containing less than four units, other than seasonal residential, and recreational;

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(2) manufactured homes not classified under any other provision;

(3) a dwelling, garage, and surrounding one acre of property on a nonhomestead farm classified under subdivision 23, paragraph (b).

Class 4b property has a class rate of 2.8 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, 2.5 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1993, and 2.3 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1994 and thereafter.

(c) Class 4c property includes:

(1) a structure that is:

(i) situated on real property that is used for housing for the elderly or for low- and moderate-income families as defined in Title II, as amended through December 31, 1990, of the National Housing Act or the Minnesota housing finance agency law of 1971 or rules promulgated by the agency and financed by a direct federal loan or federally insured loan made pursuant to Title II of the Act; or

(ii) situated on real property that is used for housing the elderly or for low- and moderate-income families as defined by the Minnesota housing finance agency law of 1971, as amended, or rules adopted by the agency pursuant thereto and financed by a loan made by the Minnesota housing finance agency pursuant to the provisions of the act.

This clause applies only to property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity. Property is classified as class 4c under this clause for 15 years from the date of the completion of the original construction or substantial rehabilitation, or for the original term of the loan.

(2) a structure that is:

(i) situated upon real property that is used for housing lower income families or elderly or handicapped persons, as defined in section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended; and

(ii) owned by an entity which has entered into a housing assistance payments contract under section 8 which provides assistance for 100 percent of the dwelling units in the structure, other than dwelling units intended for management or maintenance personnel. Property is classified as class 4c under this clause for the term of the housing assistance payments contract, including all renewals, or for the term of its permanent financing, whichever is shorter; and

(3) a qualified low-income building as defined in section 42(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, that (i) receives a low-income housing credit under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990; or (ii) meets the requirements of that section and receives public financing, except financing provided under sections 469.174 to 469.179, which contains terms restricting the

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rents; or (iii) meets the requirements of section 273.1317. Classification pursuant to this clause is limited to a term of 15 years.

For all properties described in clauses (1), (2), and (3) and in paragraph (d), the market value determined by the assessor must be based on the normal approach to value using normal unrestricted rents unless the owner of the property elects to have the property assessed under Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55. If the owner of the property elects to have the market value determined on the basis of the actual restricted rents, as provided in Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55, the property will be assessed at the rate provided for class 4a or class 4b property, as appropriate. Properties described in clauses (1)(ii), (3), and (4) may apply to the assessor for valuation under Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55. The land on which these structures are situated has the class rate given in paragraph (b) if the structure contains fewer than four units, and the class rate given in paragraph (a) if the structure contains four or more units. This clause applies only to the property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity.

(4) a parcel of land, not to exceed one acre, and its improvements or a parcel of unimproved land, not to exceed one acre, if it is owned by a neighborhood real estate trust and at least 60 percent of the dwelling units, if any, on all land owned by the trust are leased to or occupied by lower income families or individuals. This clause does not apply to any portion of the land or improvements used for nonresidential purposes. For purposes of this clause, a lower income family is a family with an income that does not exceed 65 percent of the median family income for the area, and a lower income individual is an individual whose income does not exceed 65 percent of the median individual income for the area, as determined by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. For purposes of this clause, "neighborhood real estate trust" means an entity which is certified by the governing body of the municipality in which it is located to have the following characteristics:

- (a) it is a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A;
- (b) it has as its principal purpose providing housing for lower income families in a specific geographic community designated in its articles or bylaws;
- (c) it limits membership with voting rights to residents of the designated community; and
- (d) it has a board of directors consisting of at least seven directors, 60 percent of whom are members with voting rights and, to the extent feasible, 25 percent of whom are elected by resident members of buildings owned by the trust; and
- (5) except as provided in subdivision 22, paragraph (c), real property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes, including real property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes and not devoted to commercial purposes for

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more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment. For purposes of this clause, property is devoted to a commercial purpose on a specific day if any portion of the property is used; ~~or available for use~~ for residential occupancy, and a fee is charged for residential occupancy. Class 4c also includes commercial use real property used exclusively for recreational purposes in conjunction with class 4c property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreational purposes, up to a total of two acres, provided the property is not devoted to commercial recreational use for more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment and is located within two miles of the class 4c property with which it is used. Class 4c property classified in this clause also includes the remainder of class 1c resorts. Owners of real property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes and all or a portion of which was devoted to commercial purposes for not more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment desiring classification as class 1c or 4c, must submit a declaration to the assessor designating the cabins or units occupied for 250 days or less in the year preceding the year of assessment by January 15 of the assessment year. Those cabins or units and a proportionate share of the land on which they are located will be designated class 1c or 4c as otherwise provided. The remainder of the cabins or units and a proportionate share of the land on which they are located will be designated as class 3a. The first \$100,000 of the market value of the remainder of the cabins or units and a proportionate share of the land on which they are located shall have a class rate of three percent. The owner of property desiring designation as class 1c or 4c property must provide guest registers or other records demonstrating that the units for which class 1c or 4c designation is sought were not occupied for more than 250 days in the second year preceding the assessment if so requested. The portion of a property operated as a (1) restaurant, (2) bar, (3) gift shop, and (4) other nonresidential facility operated on a commercial basis not directly related to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes shall not qualify for class 1c or 4c;

(6) real property up to a maximum of one acre of land owned by a nonprofit community service oriented organization; provided that the property is not used for a revenue-producing activity for more than six days in the calendar year preceding the year of assessment and the property is not used for residential purposes on either a temporary or permanent basis. For purposes of this clause, a "nonprofit community service oriented organization" means any corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, fraternal, civic, or educational purposes, and which is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3), (10), or (19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990. For purposes of this clause, "revenue-producing activities" shall include but not be limited to property or that portion of the property that is used as an on-sale intoxicating liquor or nonintoxicating malt liquor establishment licensed under chapter 340A, a restaurant open to the public, bowling alley, a retail store, gambling conducted by organizations licensed under chapter 349, an insurance business, or office or other space leased or rented to a lessee

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who conducts a for-profit enterprise on the premises. Any portion of the property which is used for revenue-producing activities for more than six days in the calendar year preceding the year of assessment shall be assessed as class 3a. The use of the property for social events open exclusively to members and their guests for periods of less than 24 hours, when an admission is not charged nor any revenues are received by the organization shall not be considered a revenue-producing activity;

(7) post-secondary student housing of not more than one acre of land that is owned by a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A and is used exclusively by a student cooperative, sorority, or fraternity for on-campus housing or housing located within two miles of the border of a college campus; and

(8) manufactured home parks as defined in section 327.14, subdivision 3.

Class 4c property has a class rate of 2.3 percent of market value, except that (i) seasonal residential recreational property not used for commercial purposes under clause (5) has a class rate of 2.2 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, and for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, the first \$72,000 of market value has a class rate of two percent and the market value that exceeds \$72,000 has a class rate of 2.5 percent, and (ii) manufactured home parks assessed under clause (8) have a class rate of two percent for taxes payable in 1993 only.

(d) Class 4d property includes:

(1) a structure that is:

(i) situated on real property that is used for housing for the elderly or for low and moderate income families as defined by the Farmers Home Administration;

(ii) located in a municipality of less than 10,000 population; and

(iii) financed by a direct loan or insured loan from the Farmers Home Administration. Property is classified under this clause for 15 years from the date of the completion of the original construction or for the original term of the loan.

The class rates in paragraph (c), clauses (1), (2), and (3) and this clause apply to the properties described in them, only in proportion to occupancy of the structure by elderly or handicapped persons or low and moderate income families as defined in the applicable laws unless construction of the structure had been commenced prior to January 1, 1984; or the project had been approved by the governing body of the municipality in which it is located prior to June 30, 1983; or financing of the project had been approved by a federal or state agency prior to June 30, 1983. For property for which application is made for 4c or 4d classification for taxes payable in 1994 and thereafter, and which was not classified 4c or 4d for taxes payable in 1993, 4c or 4d classification is available only for those units meeting the requirements of section 273.1318.

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Classification under this clause is only available to property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity.

(2) For taxes payable in 1992, 1993 and 1994, only, buildings and appurtenances, together with the land upon which they are located, leased by the occupant under the community lending model lease-purchase mortgage loan program administered by the Federal National Mortgage Association, provided the occupant's income is no greater than 60 percent of the county or area median income, adjusted for family size and the building consists of existing single family or duplex housing. The lease agreement must provide for a portion of the lease payment to be escrowed as a nonrefundable down payment on the housing. To qualify under this clause, the taxpayer must apply to the county assessor by May 30 of each year. The application must be accompanied by an affidavit or other proof required by the assessor to determine qualification under this clause.

(3) ~~For taxes payable in 1992, 1993 and 1994, only, federally acquired buildings under four units and appurtenances, together with the land upon which they are located that is leased to a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A that qualifies for tax exempt status under United States Code, title 26, section 501(c); or a housing and redevelopment authority authorized under sections 469.001 to 469.047; the purpose of the lease must be to allow the nonprofit corporation to provide transitional housing for homeless persons under the program established in Code of Federal Regulations, title 55, section 49489. As used in this clause, "transitional housing" has the meaning given in section 268.38, subdivision 1; except that the two-year restriction does not apply. If the property is purchased from the federal government by the nonprofit corporation for the purpose of continuing to provide transitional housing after the expiration of the lease, the property shall continue to be eligible for this classification. To qualify under this clause, the taxpayer must apply to the county assessor by May 30 of each year. The application must be accompanied by an affidavit or other proof required by the county assessor to determine qualification under this clause. Property qualifying under this clause in 1992, 1993, or 1994 continues to receive a two percent class rate until the five-year lease has expired provided that the property continues to be used for the purposes as described in this clause. Qualifying buildings and appurtenances, together with the land upon which they are located, leased for a period of up to five years by the occupant under a lease-purchase program administered by the Minnesota housing finance agency or a housing and redevelopment authority authorized under sections 469.001 to 469.047, provided the occupant's income is no greater than 80 percent of the county or area median income, adjusted for family size and the building consists of two or less dwelling units. The lease agreement must provide for a portion of the lease payment to be escrowed as a nonrefundable down payment on the housing. The administering agency shall verify the occupants income eligibility and certify to the county assessor that the occupant meets the income criteria under this paragraph. To qualify under this clause, the taxpayer must apply to the county assessor by May 30 of each year. For purposes of this section, "qualifying buildings and appurtenances" shall be defined as one or two unit residential buildings which are unoccupied and have been abandoned and boarded for at least six months.~~

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Class 4d property has a class rate of two percent of market value.

(e) Residential rental property that would otherwise be assessed as class 4 property under paragraph (a); paragraph (b), clauses (1) and (3); paragraph (c), clause (1), (2), (3), or (4), is assessed at the class rate applicable to it under Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 273.13, if it is found to be a substandard building under section 273.1316. Residential rental property that would otherwise be assessed as class 4 property under paragraph (d) is assessed at 2.3 percent of market value if it is found to be a substandard building under section 273.1316.

**Sec. 19. [273.1318] CLASS 4C LOW-INCOME HOUSING; ELIGIBLE UNITS.**

Subdivision 1. INCOME LIMITATION. (a) Subject to the exception in paragraph (b), for a building for which application is made for class 4c for taxes payable in 1994 and thereafter, and which was not class 4c for taxes payable in 1993, only those units occupied by a household whose income is 100 percent or less of the county or area median income adjusted for family size as determined by the department of housing and urban development are eligible for class 4c.

(b) For a building for which application is made for class 4c for taxes payable in 1994 and thereafter, and which was not class 4c for taxes payable in 1993, but for which a formal application was received by a local, state, or federal agency for financing, refinancing, or insurance before July 1, 1992, the income limit is 100 percent or less of county or area median income not adjusted for family size as determined by the department of housing and urban development.

Subd. 2. ANNUAL DETERMINATION. With regard to buildings, the construction of which had been commenced after December 31, 1982; or the project of which the building was a part was approved by the governing body of the municipality in which it is located subsequent to June 29, 1983; or financing of the project had been approved by a federal or state agency subsequent to June 29, 1983, a governmental agency providing financing or mortgage insurance for a building qualifying for class 4c or 4d or other entity must annually review income records maintained by the owner of the property to determine the units that qualify for a class 4c or 4d rate under this section. The income records must reflect household income at the commencement of the tenancy, and thereafter, when household composition changes. If the entity is not a governmental agency, the entity must be approved by the department of revenue. The agency or other entity shall report to the assessor responsible for assessing the property at the time and in the manner required by the assessor. The income records must be made available to the assessor. The assessor shall determine the units that qualify for a class 4c or 4d rate.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 274.19, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

**Subd. 8. MANUFACTURED HOMES; SECTIONAL STRUCTURES. (a)**

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In this section, "manufactured home" means a structure transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis, and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and contains the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems in it. "Manufactured home" includes any accessory structure that is an addition or supplement to the manufactured home and, when installed, becomes a part of the manufactured home.

(b) A manufactured home that meets each of the following criteria must be valued and assessed as an improvement to real property, the appropriate real property classification applies, and the valuation is subject to review and the taxes payable in the manner provided for real property:

- (1) the owner of the unit holds title to the land on which it is situated;
- (2) the unit is affixed to the land by a permanent foundation or is installed at its location in accordance with the manufactured home building code in sections 327.31 to 327.34, and rules adopted under those sections, or is affixed to the land like other real property in the taxing district; and
- (3) the unit is connected to public utilities, has a well and septic tank system, or is serviced by water and sewer facilities comparable to other real property in the taxing district.

(c) A manufactured home that meets each of the following criteria must be assessed at the rate provided by the appropriate real property classification but must be treated as personal property, and the valuation is subject to review and the taxes payable in the manner provided in this section:

- (1) the owner of the unit is a lessee of the land under the terms of a lease;
- (2) the unit is affixed to the land by a permanent foundation or is installed at its location in accordance with the manufactured homes building code contained in sections 327.31 to 327.34, and the rules adopted under those sections, or is affixed to the land like other real property in the taxing district; and
- (3) the unit is connected to public utilities, has a well and septic tank system, or is serviced by water and sewer facilities comparable to other real property in the taxing district.

(d) Sectional structures must be valued and assessed as an improvement to real property if the owner of the structure holds title to the land on which it is located or is a qualifying lessee of the land under section 273.19. In this paragraph "sectional structure" means a building or structural unit that has been in whole or substantial part manufactured or constructed at an off-site location to be wholly or partially assembled on-site alone or with other units and attached to a permanent foundation.

(e) The commissioner of revenue may adopt rules under the administrative procedure act to establish additional criteria for the classification of manufactured homes and sectional structures under this subdivision.

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(f) A storage shed, deck, or similar improvement constructed on property that is leased or rented as a site for a manufactured home, sectional structure, park trailer, or travel trailer is taxable as provided in this section. The property is taxable as personal property to the lessee of the site if it is not owned by the owner of the site. The property is taxable as real estate if it is owned by the owner of the site. As a condition of permitting the owner of the manufactured home, sectional structure, park trailer, or travel trailer to construct improvements on the leased or rented site, the owner of the site must obtain the permanent home address of the lessee or user of the site. The site owner must provide the name and address to the assessor upon request.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.125, subdivision 6j, is amended to read:

Subd. 6j. **LEVY FOR CRIME RELATED COSTS.** For taxes levied in 1991 and subsequent years, payable in 1992 ~~only~~ and subsequent years, each school district may make a levy on all taxable property located within the school district for the purposes specified in this subdivision. The maximum amount which may be levied for all costs under this subdivision shall be equal to \$1 multiplied by the population of the school district. For purposes of this subdivision, "population" of the school district means the same as contained in section 275.14. The proceeds of the levy must be used for reimbursing the cities and counties who contract with the school district for the following purposes: (1) to pay the costs incurred for the salaries, benefits, and transportation costs of peace officers and sheriffs for liaison services in the district's middle and secondary schools; and (2) to teach drug abuse resistance education curricula pay the costs for a drug abuse prevention program as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 609.101, subdivision 3, paragraph (f) in the elementary schools; and (3) to pay the costs incurred for the salaries and benefits of peace officers and sheriffs whose primary responsibilities are to investigate controlled substance crimes under chapter 152. The school district must initially attempt to contract for these services with the police department of each city or the sheriff's department of the county within the school district containing the school receiving the services. If a local police department or a county sheriff's department does not wish to provide the necessary services, the district may contract for these services with any other police or sheriff's department located entirely or partially within the school district's boundaries. The levy authorized under this subdivision is not included in determining the school district's levy limitations and must be disregarded in computing any overall levy limitations under sections 275.50 to 275.56 of the participating cities or counties.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.61, is amended to read:

**275.61 REFERENDUM LEVY; MARKET VALUE.**

For local governmental subdivisions other than school districts, any levy, including the issuance of debt obligations payable in whole or in part from prop-

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erty taxes, required to be approved and approved by the voters at a general or special election for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, shall be levied against the market value of all taxable property within the governmental subdivision. Any levy amount subject to the requirements of this section shall be certified separately to the county auditor under section 275.07.

The ballot shall state the maximum amount of the increased levy as a percentage of market value and the amount that will be raised by the new referendum tax rate in the first year it is to be levied.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 277.17, is amended to read:

**277.17 ESCROW REQUIREMENT FOR DELINQUENCIES ON MANUFACTURED HOMES.**

Subdivision 1. **CERTIFICATION TO MANUFACTURED HOME OWNER.** On or before October 15 of each year, the county auditor shall send a letter to each owner of a manufactured home for which the personal property taxes due on August 31 are delinquent as of September 30. On or before December 31 of each year, the county auditor shall send a letter to each owner of a manufactured home for which the taxes due on August 31 were not delinquent but the personal property taxes due on November 15 are delinquent as of December 15. The letter must inform the owner that ~~due to the delinquency, if the delinquent taxes are not paid in full within 90 days of the date of issuance of the notice one of the following may occur:~~

(1) the owner ~~will~~ may be required under state law to begin making monthly payments of delinquent property taxes, and ~~that~~ the property taxes will also be escrowed for payment of property taxes the following year; or

(2) the county will notify the lender of the tax delinquency and request the lender to initiate the process provided under section 47.209. The form and content of the notice to the owner shall be specified by the commissioner of revenue.

Subd. 2. **ESTABLISHMENT OF TAX ESCROW ACCOUNTS.** The county auditor ~~must~~ may establish a tax escrow account for delinquent property taxes for ~~each an owner receiving a letter who receives a notice~~ under subdivision 1 if the county does not initiate the process provided under section 47.209. If an escrow account is established for an owner who receives a notice regarding taxes due August 31, the owner must pay an additional amount each month equal to ten percent of the delinquent personal property taxes, penalties, and interest due, plus ten percent of the tax payable in the following calendar year. If the owner fails to pay the tax due on November 15, the additional amount of tax due but unpaid will be added to the delinquent property taxes payable by installment under this section. If an escrow account is established for an owner who receives a notice regarding taxes due November 15, the owner must pay an additional amount each month equal to 15 percent of the delinquent taxes, pen-

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alties, and interest due, plus 12 percent of the tax payable in the following calendar year.

Subd. 3. **COUNTY ESCROW.** Within 30 days of receipt of a letter notice from the county auditor under subdivision ~~1~~ 2, the owner must make the first monthly payment under subdivision 2 to the county auditor. The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the procedures to be used for monthly collections of the delinquent and current tax payments. If an owner is making the payments at the time required under this section, no action may be taken under section 277.20 with respect to the manufactured home for which the property taxes are being paid into the escrow account.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 278.05, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN EVIDENCE.** (a) Information, including income and expense figures, verified net rentable areas, and anticipated income and expenses, for income-producing property which is not provided to the county assessor at least ~~30~~ 45 days before any hearing under this chapter, is not admissible except if necessary to prevent undue hardship or when the failure to provide it was due to the unavailability of the evidence at that time.

(b) Provided that the information as contained in paragraph (a) is timely submitted to the county assessor, the county assessor shall furnish the petitioner at least five days before the hearing under this chapter with the property's appraisal, if any, which will be presented to the court at the hearing. The petitioner shall furnish to the county assessor at least five days before the hearing under this chapter with the property's appraisal, if any, which will be presented to the court at the hearing. An appraisal of the petitioner's property done by or for the county or by or for the petitioner shall not be admissible as evidence if the provisions within this paragraph are not met.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 279.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Except as provided in subdivision 3, on May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, a penalty shall accrue and thereafter be charged upon all unpaid taxes on real estate on the current lists in the hands of the county treasurer. The penalty shall be at a rate of ~~three~~ two percent on homestead property ~~and seven percent until May 31 and four percent on June 1. The penalty on non-homestead property shall be at a rate of four percent until May 31 and eight percent on June 1.~~ This penalty shall not accrue until June 1 of each year, or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statements, whichever is later, on commercial use real property used for seasonal residential recreational purposes and classified as class 1c or 4c, and on other commercial use real property classified as class 3a, provided that over 60 percent of the gross income earned by the enterprise on the class 3a property is earned

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during the months of May, June, July, and August. Any property owner of such class 3a property who pays the first half of the tax due on the property after May 15 and before June 1, or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, shall attach an affidavit to the payment attesting to compliance with the income provision of this subdivision. Thereafter, for both homestead and nonhomestead property, on the first day of each month beginning July 1, up to and including October 1 following, an additional penalty of one percent for each month shall accrue and be charged on all such unpaid taxes provided that if the due date was extended beyond May 15 as the result of any delay in mailing property tax statements no additional penalty shall accrue if the tax is paid by the extended due date. If the tax is not paid by the extended due date, then all penalties that would have accrued if the due date had been May 15 shall be charged. When the taxes against any tract or lot exceed \$50, one-half thereof may be paid prior to May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later; and, if so paid, no penalty shall attach; the remaining one-half shall be paid at any time prior to October 16 following, without penalty; but, if not so paid, then a penalty of ~~four~~ two percent shall accrue thereon for homestead property and a penalty of four percent on nonhomestead property. Thereafter, for homestead property, on the first day of November an additional penalty of four percent shall accrue and on the first day of December following, an additional penalty of two percent ~~for each month~~ shall accrue and be charged on all such unpaid taxes. Thereafter, for nonhomestead property, on the first day of November and December following, an additional penalty of four percent for each month shall accrue and be charged on all such unpaid taxes. If one-half of such taxes shall not be paid prior to May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, the same may be paid at any time prior to October 16, with accrued penalties to the date of payment added, and thereupon no penalty shall attach to the remaining one-half until October 16 following.

This section applies to payment of personal property taxes assessed against improvements to leased property, except as provided by section 277.01, subdivision 3.

A county may provide by resolution that in the case of a property owner that has multiple tracts or parcels with aggregate taxes exceeding \$50, payments may be made in installments as provided in this subdivision.

The county treasurer may accept payments of more or less than the exact amount of a tax installment due. If the accepted payment is less than the amount due, payments must be applied first to the penalty accrued for the year the payment is made. Acceptance of partial payment of tax does not constitute a waiver of the minimum payment required as a condition for filing an appeal under section 278.03 or any other law, nor does it affect the order of payment of delinquent taxes under section 280.39.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 281.17, is amended to read:

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**281.17 PERIOD FOR REDEMPTION.**

The period of redemption for all lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be three years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota if the land is within an incorporated area unless it is: (a) nonagricultural homesteaded land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22; (b) homesteaded agricultural land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, paragraph (a); or (c) seasonal recreational land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, paragraph (c), 23, paragraph (c), or 25, paragraph (c), clause (5), for which the period of redemption is five years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota.

The period of redemption for homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is three years from the date of sale. The period of redemption for all lands located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, except (1) homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, and (2) for periods of redemption beginning after June 30, 1991, but before July 1, 1996, lands located in the Loring Park targeted neighborhood on which a notice of lis pendens has been served, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is one year from the date of sale.

The period of redemption for all other lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be five years from the date of sale, except that the period of redemption for nonhomesteaded agricultural land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, paragraph (b), shall be two years from the date of sale if at that time that property is owned by a person who owns one or more parcels of property on which taxes are delinquent, and (1) the aggregate tax capacity of that property exceeds five percent of the total tax capacity of the school district in which the property is located, or (2) the delinquent taxes are more than 25 percent of the prior year's school district levy.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.01, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **SALES, WHEN COMMENCED, HOW LAND OFFERED FOR SALE.** The sale herein provided for shall commence at such time as the county board of the county wherein such parcels lie, shall direct. The county auditor shall offer the parcels of land in order in which they appear in the notice of sale, and shall sell them to the highest bidder, but not for a less sum than the appraised value, until all of the parcels of land shall have been offered, and thereafter shall sell any remaining parcels to anyone offering to pay the appraised value thereof, except that if the person could have repurchased a parcel of property under section 282.012 or 282.241, that person shall not be allowed to purchase that same parcel of property at the sale under this subdivision unless approved by the county board. Said sale shall continue until all such parcels are sold or until the county board shall order a reappraisal or shall withdraw any or all such parcels from sale. Such list of lands may be added to and

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the added lands may be sold at any time by publishing the descriptions and appraised values of such parcels of land as shall have become forfeited and classified as nonconservation since the commencement of any prior sale or such parcels as shall have been reappraised, or such parcels as shall have been reclassified as nonconservation or such other parcels as are subject to sale but were omitted from the existing list for any reason in the same manner as herein-after provided for the publication of the original list, provided that any parcels added to such list shall first be offered for sale to the highest bidder before they are sold at appraised value. All parcels of land not offered for immediate sale, as well as parcels of such lands as are offered and not immediately sold shall continue to be held in trust by the state for the taxing districts interested in each of said parcels, under the supervision of the county board, and such parcels may be used for public purposes until sold, as the county board may direct.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.012, is amended to read:

**282.012 PRIOR OWNER MAY PURCHASE; CONDITIONS.**

At any time ~~not less than~~ least one week ~~prior to~~ before the date of such sale, the person who was the owner of any included parcel ~~at the time~~ when it forfeited to the state for nonpayment of taxes, or the person's heirs, successors or assigns or any person to whom the right to pay taxes on such lands was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may purchase ~~such the parcel at~~ The purchase price is the greater of (1) the appraised value thereof, of the parcel, or (2) the sum of all delinquent taxes and assessments, computed under section 282.251, together with penalties, interest, and costs, that accrued or would have accrued if the parcel had not forfeited to the state. The purchaser's title and right ~~to be~~ is conditioned upon the primary use as designated by the resolution of the county board. The right of ~~such the purchaser~~ to purchase shall be evidenced by the purchaser's duly verified written application showing the qualifications ~~as hereinabove prescribed~~ required by this section and filed with the county auditor.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.241, is amended to read:

**282.241 REPURCHASE AFTER FORFEITURE FOR TAXES.**

The owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisees, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may repurchase any parcel of land claimed by the state to be forfeited to the state for taxes unless ~~prior to~~ before the time repurchase is made ~~such the parcel shall have been~~ is sold under installment payments, or otherwise, by the state as provided by law, or is under mineral prospecting permit or lease, or proceedings have been commenced by the state or any of its political subdivisions or by the United States to condemn such parcel of land. ~~Said~~ The parcel of land may be repurchased ~~for a sum equal to the aggregate.~~ The repurchase price is the greater of (1) the appraised value of the parcel, or (2) the sum of all delinquent taxes and assessments computed as provided by under section 282.251, together with penalties, interest, and costs,

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~~which did that accrued~~ or would have accrued if ~~such the~~ parcel of land had not forfeited to the state. Except for property which was homesteaded on the date of forfeiture, such repurchase shall be permitted during one year only from the date of forfeiture, and in any case only after the adoption of a resolution by the board of county commissioners determining that thereby undue hardship or injustice resulting from the forfeiture will be corrected, or that permitting such repurchase will promote the use of such lands that will best serve the public interest. If the county board has good cause to believe that a repurchase installment payment plan for a particular parcel is unnecessary and not in the public interest, the county board may require as a condition of repurchase that the entire repurchase price be paid at the time of repurchase. A repurchase shall be subject to any easement, lease, or other encumbrance granted by the state prior thereto, and if said land is located within a restricted area established by any county under Laws 1939, chapter 340, such repurchase shall not be permitted unless said resolution with respect thereto is adopted by the unanimous vote of the board of county commissioners.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290A.04, subdivision 2h, is amended to read:

Subd. 2h. (a) If the gross property taxes payable on a homestead increase more than ~~ten~~ 12 percent over the net property taxes payable in the prior year on the same property that is owned by the same owner in both years, and the amount of that increase is ~~\$40 or more for taxes payable in 1990 and 1991, \$60 or more for taxes payable in 1992, \$80 or more for taxes payable in 1993, and \$100 or more for taxes payable in 1994~~, a claimant who is a homeowner shall be allowed an additional refund equal to ~~the sum of (1) 75 percent of the first \$250 of the amount of the increase over ten percent for taxes payable in 1990 and 1991, 75 percent of the first \$275 of the amount of the increase over ten percent for taxes payable in 1992, 75 percent of the first \$300 of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$250 for taxes payable in 1993, and 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$275 for taxes payable in 1994; and (2) 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$250 for taxes payable in 1990 and 1991, 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$275 for taxes payable in 1992, 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$300 for taxes payable in 1993, and 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$325 for taxes payable in 1994.~~ the greater of 12 percent of the prior year's net property taxes payable or \$80 for taxes payable in 1993, and 75 percent of the first \$325 of the amount of the increase over ten percent the greater of 12 percent of the prior year's net property taxes payable or \$100 for taxes payable in 1994; and (2) 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$250 for taxes payable in 1990 and 1991, 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$275 for taxes payable in 1992, 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$300 for taxes payable in 1993, and 90 percent of the amount of the increase over ten percent plus \$325 for taxes payable in 1994. This subdivision shall not apply to any increase in the gross property taxes payable attributable to improvements made to the homestead after the assessment date for the prior year's taxes.

In the case of refunds for property taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, the maximum refund allowed under this subdivision is \$1,500.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given:

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(1) "Net property taxes payable" means property taxes payable after reductions made under sections 273.13, subdivisions 22 and 23; 273.135; 273.1391; and 273.42, subdivision 2, and any other state paid property tax credits and after the deduction of tax refund amounts for which the claimant qualifies pursuant to subdivision 2 and this subdivision.

(2) "Gross property taxes" means net property taxes payable determined without regard to the refund allowed under this subdivision.

(c) In addition to the other proofs required by this chapter, each claimant under this subdivision shall file with the property tax refund return a copy of the property tax statement for taxes payable in the preceding year or other documents required by the commissioner.

On or before December 1, ~~1990, and December 1 of each of the following three years~~ 1993, the commissioner shall estimate the cost of making the payments provided by this subdivision for taxes payable in the following year. Notwithstanding the open appropriation provision of section 290A.23, if the estimated total refund claims for taxes payable in ~~1991, 1993, or 1994~~ exceed ~~the following amounts for the taxes payable year designated~~ \$5,500,000, the commissioner shall increase the ~~dollar \$100~~ amount of tax increase which must occur before a taxpayer qualifies for a refund, and increase by an equal amount the \$100 threshold used in determining the amount of the refund, so that the estimated total refund claims do not exceed the appropriation limit \$5,500,000.

<u>Taxes payable in:</u>	<u>Appropriation limit</u>
<del>1991</del>	<del>\$13,000,000</del>
<del>1993</del>	<del>\$6,000,000</del>
<del>1994</del>	<del>\$5,500,000</del>

The determinations of the revised thresholds by the commissioner are not rules subject to chapter 14.

#### Sec. 31. [290A.25] VERIFICATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS.

Annually, the commissioner of revenue shall furnish a list to the county assessor containing the names and social security numbers of persons who have applied for both homestead classification under section 273.13 and a property tax refund as a renter under this chapter.

Within 90 days of the notification, the county assessor shall investigate to determine if the homestead classification was improperly claimed. If the property owner does not qualify, the county assessor shall notify the county auditor who will determine the amount of homestead benefits that has been improperly allowed. For the purpose of this section, "homestead benefits" means the tax reduction resulting from the classification as a homestead under section 273.13, and the taconite homestead credit under section 273.1391. The county auditor shall send a notice to the owners of the property, demanding reimbursement of the homestead benefits plus a penalty equal to 100 percent of the homestead

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benefits. The property owners may appeal the county's determination by filing a notice of appeal with the Minnesota tax court within 60 days of the date of the notice from the county.

If the amount of homestead benefits and penalty is not paid within 60 days, and if no appeal has been filed, the county auditor shall certify the amount of taxes and penalty to the succeeding year's tax list to be collected as part of the property taxes.

Any amount of homestead benefits recovered by the county from the property owner shall be distributed to the county, city or town, and school district where the property is located in the same proportion that each taxing district's levy was to the total of the three taxing districts' levy for the current year. Any amount recovered attributable to taconite homestead credit shall be transmitted to the St. Louis county auditor to be deposited in the taconite property tax relief account. The total amount of penalty collected must be deposited in the county general fund.

Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 327C.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9a. RESIDENT ASSOCIATION. "Resident association" means an organization that has the written permission of the owners of at least 51 percent of the manufactured homes in the park to represent them, and which is organized for the purpose of resolving matters relating to living conditions in the manufactured home park.

Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 327C.12, is amended to read:

**327C.12 RETALIATORY CONDUCT PROHIBITED.**

A park owner may not increase rent, decrease services, alter an existing rental agreement or seek to recover possession or threaten such action in whole or in part as a penalty for a resident's:

(a) good faith complaint to the park owner or to a government agency or official; ~~or~~

(b) good faith attempt to exercise rights or remedies pursuant to state or federal law. In any proceeding in which retaliatory conduct is alleged, the burden of proving otherwise shall be on the park owner if the owner's challenged action began within 90 days after the resident engaged in any of the activities protected by this section. If the challenged action began more than 90 days after the resident engaged in the protected activity, the party claiming retaliation must make a prima facie case. The park owner must then prove otherwise; or

(c) joining and participating in the activities of a resident association as defined under section 327C.01, subdivision 9a.

Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 375.192, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. Upon written application by the owner of the property, the county board may grant the reduction or abatement of estimated market valuation or taxes and of any costs, penalties, or interest on them as the board deems just and equitable and order the refund in whole or part of any taxes, costs, penalties, or interest which have been erroneously or unjustly paid. The county board may also grant the abatement of penalties for taxes paid within 30 days of the due date, regardless of the classification of the property. The application must include the social security number of the applicant. The social security number is private data on individuals as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12. The application must be approved by the county assessor, or, if the property is located in a city of the first or second class having a city assessor, by the city assessor, and by the county auditor before consideration by the county board. If the application is for abatement of penalty or interest, the application must be approved by the county treasurer and county auditor. No reduction, abatement, or refund of any special assessments made or levied by any municipality for local improvements shall be made unless it is also approved by the board of review or similar taxing authority of the municipality. Before taking action on any reduction or abatement where the reduction of taxes, costs, penalties, and interest exceed \$10,000, the county board shall give 20 days' notice to the school board and the municipality in which the property is located. The notice must describe the property involved, the actual amount of the reduction being sought, and the reason for the reduction. If the school board or the municipality object to the granting of the reduction or abatement, the county board must refer the abatement or reduction to the commissioner of revenue with its recommendation. The commissioner shall consider the abatement or reduction under section 270.07, subdivision 1.

An appeal may not be taken to the tax court from any order of the county board made in the exercise of the discretionary authority granted in this section.

The county auditor shall notify the commissioner of revenue of all abatements resulting from the erroneous classification of real property, for tax purposes, as nonhomestead property. For the abatements relating to the current year's tax processed through June 30, the auditor shall notify the commissioner on or before July 31 of that same year of all abatement applications granted. For the abatements relating to the current year's tax processed after June 30 through the balance of the year, the auditor shall notify the commissioner on or before the following January 31 of all applications granted. The county auditor shall submit a form containing the social security number of the applicant and such other information the commissioner prescribes.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 381.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **EXPENSE, TAX LEVY.** ~~For the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred in the preservation and restoration of monuments under this section,~~ The county board of any county may levy a tax upon all the taxable property in the county for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred for:

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- (1) the preservation and restoration of monuments under this section;
- (2) the preservation or establishment of control monuments for mapping activities;
- (3) the modernization of county land records through the use of parcel-based land management systems; or
- (4) the establishment of geographic (GIS), land (LIS), management (MIS) information systems.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.388, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.** The board may grant the requested financial assistance if it determines that the proposed service is consistent with the approved implementation plan and is intended to replace the service to the applying city or town or combination thereof by the transit commission and that the proposed service will meet the needs of the applicant at least as efficiently and effectively as the existing service.

The amount of assistance which the board may provide under this section may not exceed the sum of:

- (a) the portion of the available local transit funds which the applicant proposes to use to subsidize the proposed service; and
- (b) an amount of financial assistance bearing an identical proportional relationship to the amount under clause (a) as the total amount of financial assistance to the transit commission bears to the total amount of taxes collected by the board under section 473.446. The board shall pay the amount to be provided to the recipient from the assistance the board would otherwise pay to the transit commission.

For purposes of this section "available local transit funds" means 90 percent of the tax revenues which would accrue to the board from the tax it levies under section 473.446 in the applicant city or town or combination thereof.

For purposes of this section, "tax revenues" in the city or town means the sum of the following:

- (1) the nondebt spread levy, which is the total of the taxes extended by application of the local tax rate for nondebt purposes on the taxable net tax capacity;
- (2) the portion of the fiscal disparity distribution levy under section 473F.08, subdivision 3, attributable to nondebt purposes; and
- (3) the portion of the homestead credit and agricultural credit aid and disparity reduction aid amounts under section 273.1398, subdivisions 2 and 3, attributable to nondebt purposes.

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Tax revenues do not include the state feathering reimbursement under section 473.446.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.711, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. The metropolitan mosquito control commission shall prepare an annual budget. The budget may provide for expenditures in an amount not exceeding the property tax levy limitation determined in this subdivision. The commission may levy a tax on all taxable property in the district as defined in section 473.702 to provide funds for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716. The tax shall not exceed the property tax levy limitation determined in this subdivision. A participating county may agree to levy an additional tax to be used by the commission for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716 but the sum of the county's and commission's taxes may not exceed the county's proportionate share of the property tax levy limitation determined under this subdivision based on the ratio of its total net tax capacity to the total net tax capacity of the entire district as adjusted by section 270.12, subdivision 3. The auditor of each county in the district shall add the amount of the levy made by the district to other taxes of the county for collection by the county treasurer with other taxes. When collected, the county treasurer shall make settlement of the tax with the district in the same manner as other taxes are distributed to political subdivisions. No county shall levy any tax for mosquito, disease vectoring tick, and black gnat (*Simuliidae*) control except under sections 473.701 to 473.716. The levy shall be in addition to other taxes authorized by law and shall be disregarded in the calculation of limits on taxes imposed by chapter 275.

The property tax levied by the metropolitan mosquito control commission shall not exceed the following amount for the years specified:

(a) for taxes payable in 1988, the product of six-tenths on one mill multiplied by the total assessed valuation of all taxable property located within the district as adjusted by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 272.64; 273.13, subdivision 7a; and 275.49;

(b) for taxes payable in 1989, the product of (1) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 determined under clause (a) multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the assessment year 1988 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district divided by the assessment year 1987 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district; ~~and~~

(c) for taxes payable in 1990, 1991, and subsequent years 1992, the product of (1) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the previous assessment year;

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(d) for taxes payable in 1993, the product of (1) the commission's certified property tax levy for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the previous assessment year; and

(e) for taxes payable in 1994 and subsequent years, the product of (1) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the previous assessment year.

For the purpose of determining the commission's property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 and subsequent years under this subdivision, "total market valuation" means the total market valuation of all taxable property within the district without valuation adjustments for fiscal disparities (chapter 473F), tax increment financing (sections 469.174 to 469.179), and high voltage transmission lines (section 273.425).

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.714, is amended to read:

#### 473.714 COMPENSATION OF COMMISSIONERS.

Subdivision 1. COMPENSATION. Except as provided in subdivision 2, each commissioner, including the officers of the commission shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties. The chair shall be paid a per diem for attending meetings, monthly, executive, and special, and each commissioner shall be paid a per diem for attending meetings, monthly, executive, and special, which per diem shall be established by the commission; ~~such expense reimbursement and per diem notwithstanding any other funds which such commissioners may receive from any other public body.~~ A commissioner who receives a per diem from the commissioner's county shall not be paid a per diem for the same day by the commission for attending meetings of the commission. The annual budget of the commission shall provide as a separate account anticipated expenditures for per diem, travel and associated expenses for the chair and members, and compensation or reimbursement shall be made to the chair or members only when budgeted.

Subd. 2. CERTAIN COMMISSIONERS. A commissioner whose annual public salary is \$25,000 or more shall only be reimbursed for expenses related to travel.

Sec. 39. [473F.001] CITATION.

This chapter shall be cited as the "Charles R. Weaver metropolitan revenue distribution act."

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Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473H.10, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **COMPUTATION OF TAX; STATE REIMBURSEMENT.** (a) After having determined the market value of all land valued according to subdivision 2, the assessor shall compute the ~~gross net~~ tax capacity of those properties by applying the appropriate class rates. When computing the rate of tax pursuant to section 275.08, the county auditor shall include the ~~gross net~~ tax capacity of land as provided in this clause.

(b) The county auditor shall compute the tax on lands valued according to subdivision 2 and nonresidential buildings by multiplying the ~~gross net~~ tax capacity times the total local tax rate for all purposes as provided in clause (a).

(c) The county auditor shall then compute the tax on lands valued according to subdivision 2 and nonresidential buildings by multiplying the net tax capacity times the total local tax rate for all purposes as provided in clause (a), subtracting \$1.50 per acre of land in the preserve.

(d) The county auditor shall then compute the maximum ad valorem property tax on lands valued according to subdivision 2 and nonresidential buildings by multiplying the ~~gross net~~ tax capacity times 105 percent of the previous year's statewide average local tax rate levied on property located within townships for all purposes.

~~(d)~~ (e) The tax due and payable by the owner of preserve land valued according to subdivision 2 and nonresidential buildings will be the amount determined in clause ~~(b)~~ or (c) or (d), whichever is less. ~~If the gross tax in clause (e) is less than the gross tax in clause (b);~~ The state shall reimburse the taxing jurisdictions for the amount of the difference between the net tax determined under this clause and the gross tax in clause (b). Residential buildings shall continue to be valued and classified according to the provisions of sections 273.11 and 273.13, as they would be in the absence of this section, and the tax on those buildings shall not be subject to the limitation contained in this clause.

The county may transfer money from the county conservation account created in section 40A.152 to the county revenue fund to reimburse the fund for the tax lost as a result of this subdivision or to pay taxing jurisdictions within the county for the tax lost. The county auditor shall certify to the commissioner of revenue on or before June 1 the total amount of tax lost to the county and taxing jurisdictions located within the county as a result of this subdivision and the extent that the tax lost exceeds funds available in the county conservation account. Payment shall be made by the state on December 15 to each of the affected taxing jurisdictions, other than school districts, in the same proportion that the ad valorem tax is distributed if the county conservation account is insufficient to make the reimbursement. There is annually appropriated from the Minnesota conservation fund under section 40A.151 to the commissioner of revenue an amount sufficient to make the reimbursement provided in this subdivision. If the amount available in the Minnesota conservation fund is insufficient, the balance that is needed is appropriated from the general fund.

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Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 488A.20, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **DISPOSITION OF FINES, FEES AND OTHER MONEYS; ACCOUNTS.** (a) Except as otherwise provided herein and except as otherwise provided by law, the administrator shall pay to the Ramsey county treasurer all fines and penalties collected by the administrator, all fees collected for administrator's services, all sums forfeited to the court as hereinafter provided, and all other moneys received by the administrator.

(b) The administrator of court shall for each fine or penalty, provide the county treasurer with the name of the municipality or other subdivision of government where the offense was committed and the total amount of the fines or penalties collected for each such municipality or other subdivision of government.

(c) The state of Minnesota and any governmental subdivision within the jurisdictional area of the municipal court herein established may present cases for hearing before said municipal court. In the event the court takes jurisdiction of a prosecution for the violation of a statute or ordinance by the state or a governmental subdivision other than a city or town in Ramsey county, all fines, penalties and forfeitures collected shall be paid over to the county treasurer except where a different disposition is provided by law, and the following fees shall be taxed to the state or governmental subdivision other than a city or town within Ramsey county which would be entitled to payment of the fines, forfeitures or penalties in any case, and shall be paid to the administrator of the court for disposing of the matter. The administrator shall deduct the fees from any fine collected for the state of Minnesota or a governmental subdivision other than a city or town within Ramsey County and transmit the balance in accordance with the law, and the deduction of the total of the fees each month from the total of all the fines collected is hereby expressly made an appropriation of funds for payment of the fees:

(1) In all cases where the defendant is brought into court and pleads guilty and is sentenced, or the matter is otherwise disposed of without a trial.....\$5

(2) In arraignments where the defendant waives a preliminary examination.....\$10

(3) In all other cases where the defendant stands trial or has a preliminary examination by the court.....\$15

(4) The court shall have the authority to waive the collection of fees in any particular case.

(d) At the beginning of the first day of any month, the amount in the hands of the administrator which is owing to any municipality or county shall not exceed \$5,000.

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(e) On or before the last day of each month, the county treasurer shall pay over to the treasurer of the city of St. Paul two-thirds and to the treasurer of each other municipality or subdivision of government in Ramsey county one-half of all fines or penalties collected during the previous month from those imposed for offenses committed within ~~such~~ the treasurer's municipality or subdivision of government in violation of a statute, an ordinance, charter provision, rule or regulation of a city. All other fines and forfeitures and all fees and costs collected by the county municipal court shall be paid to the treasurer of Ramsey county who shall dispense the same as provided by law.

(f) Amounts represented by checks issued by the administrator or received by the administrator which have not cleared by the end of the month may be shown on the monthly account as having been paid or received, subject to adjustment on later monthly accounts.

(g) The administrator may receive negotiable instruments in payment of fines, penalties, fees, or other obligations as conditional payments, and is not held accountable therefor but if collection in cash is made and then only to the extent of the net collection after deduction of the necessary expense of collection.

#### Sec. 42. REPAYMENT.

The city of St. Paul shall repay to Ramsey county an amount equal to the difference between the payments it receives under section 488A.20, subdivision 4, from July 1, 1992, to December 31, 1992. That amount, plus interest, must be paid over 12 equal monthly installments beginning January 31, 1993. Interest will be accrued at the average rate of return for Ramsey county's portfolio of general investments as determined by the manager of the revenue division of the Ramsey county department of taxation and records administration, using the county's normal method of calculating investment earnings on monthly balances.

Sec. 43. Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 65, is amended to read:

#### Sec. 65. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1, 4, 35, 36, 57, 58, and 62 are effective the day following final enactment.

Sections 2, 3, 11, 15 to 22, 24, 26 to 28, 30, 37 to 49, and 63 are effective for taxes levied in 1991, payable in 1992, and thereafter.

Sections 5 and 6 are effective for referenda held after November 1, 1992, for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Sections 7 and 52 are effective July 1, 1991.

Sections 8, 9 and 31 are effective for appeals filed after July 31, 1991.

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Section 10 is effective ~~only~~ for taxes payable in 1992; ~~1993; 1994; and 1995~~ and thereafter.

Sections 12 and 14 are effective for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, except the deletion of the language "or any single contiguous lot fronting on the same street" in sections 12 and 14 shall be effective for taxes payable in 1992 and thereafter.

Section 13 is effective the day following final enactment and applies to real property acquired after December 31, 1990.

Sections 23 and 25 are effective for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Section 29 is effective for referenda for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Sections 32 and 33 are effective for taxes deemed delinquent after December 31, 1991.

Sections 50 and 51 are effective for aids payable in 1991 and thereafter.

Section 53 is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Minneapolis complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 54 is effective for the 1991 and 1992 assessment year.

Section 59 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 325, Lakefield, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 60 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 77, Mankato, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 61 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 284, Wayzata, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

#### Sec. 44. **SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT; CITY OF HUTCHINSON.**

Subdivision 1. SPECIAL SERVICES DEFINED. For purposes of this section, "special services" means all services rendered or contracted for by the city of Hutchinson, including, but not limited to:

(1) the repair, maintenance, operation, and construction of any improvement authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 429.021;

(2) parking services rendered or contracted for by the city;

(3) development and promotional services rendered or contracted for by the city; and

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(4) any other service or improvement provided by the city or development authority that is authorized by law or charter.

Subd. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT. The governing body of the city of Hutchinson may adopt an ordinance establishing a special service district to be operated by the city of Hutchinson. Minnesota Statutes, chapter 428A, governs the establishment and operation of special service districts in the city.

**Sec. 45. DULUTH; TECHNICAL COLLEGE STUDENT HOUSING; PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION.**

Subdivision 1. EXEMPTION. As provided in this section, qualified student housing at the Duluth technical college is exempt from ad valorem property taxation. In order to qualify for the exemption, the requirements in subdivisions 2 to 6 must be met.

Subd. 2. FINDING OF NEED. Before authorizing a project qualifying under this section, the state board of technical colleges must find (1) that an adequate supply of appropriate housing is not available to students of the technical college, (2) that there is significant demand for housing by students of the technical college, and (3) that the private market is unable to satisfy this demand either at affordable prices or in a reasonable time.

Subd. 3. LOCATED ON LEASED PUBLIC LAND. The student housing must be located on land owned by the technical college, the school district, or the state board of technical colleges that is leased to a private or nonprofit entity. The lease must provide for nominal rent.

Subd. 4. NEW OR REHABILITATED UNITS ONLY. The qualified student housing must consist of dwelling units that either were constructed or substantially rehabilitated after the project is approved by the state board.

Subd. 5. CONTRACT WITH DEVELOPER. The state board must enter into a contract with the developer or landlord of the qualified student housing project. This contract must provide that the reduced costs of the development resulting from the property tax exemption and leased land at a nominal rent will be reflected in lower rents for student tenants. The contract must also provide a reasonable system of giving priority to students in renting the dwelling units. The contract may include any other provisions that the board determines to be reasonable and appropriate, including provisions to monitor or ensure that priority is given to students in renting, that the student rents reflect the lower costs, or that special services are available to student tenants.

Subd. 6. MINIMUM STUDENT OCCUPANCY REQUIRED. A student housing project qualifies for exemption under this section only if more than 50 percent of the units are occupied during the year by students of the technical college or other post-secondary institutions. For purposes of this section, a student must be enrolled in a certificate or degree program to qualify.

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Subd. 7. EXPIRATION. This section applies to student housing approved by the state board before January 1, 1997. The property tax exemption for a student housing development is limited to 20 years from the date of first occupancy. This section expires January 1, 2018.

Subd. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Duluth complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, and applies beginning for property taxes assessed in 1993, and payable in 1994.

**Sec. 46. THIEF RIVER FALLS; TECHNICAL COLLEGE STUDENT HOUSING; PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION.**

Subdivision 1. EXEMPTION. As provided in this section, qualified student housing at the Thief River Falls technical college is exempt from ad valorem property taxation. In order to qualify for the exemption, the requirements in subdivisions 2 to 6 must be met.

Subd. 2. FINDING OF NEED. Before authorizing a project qualifying under this section, the state board of technical colleges must find (1) that an adequate supply of appropriate housing is not available to students of the technical college, (2) that there is significant demand for housing by students of the technical college, and (3) that the private market is unable to satisfy this demand either at affordable prices or in a reasonable time.

Subd. 3. LOCATED ON LEASED PUBLIC LAND. The student housing must be located on land owned by the technical college, the school district, or the state board of technical colleges that is leased to a private or nonprofit entity. The lease must provide for nominal rent.

Subd. 4. NEW OR REHABILITATED UNITS ONLY. The qualified student housing must consist of dwelling units that either were constructed or substantially rehabilitated after the project is approved by the state board.

Subd. 5. CONTRACT WITH DEVELOPER. The state board must enter into a contract with the developer or landlord of the qualified student housing project. This contract must provide that the reduced costs of the development resulting from the property tax exemption and leased land at a nominal rent will be reflected in lower rents for student tenants. The contract must also provide a reasonable system of giving priority to students in renting the dwelling units. The contract may include any other provisions that the board determines to be reasonable and appropriate, including provisions to monitor or ensure that priority is given to students in renting, that the student rents reflect the lower costs, or that special services are available to student tenants.

Subd. 6. MINIMUM STUDENT OCCUPANCY REQUIRED. A student housing project qualifies for exemption under this section only if more than 50 percent of the units are occupied during the year by students of the technical college or other post-secondary institutions. For purposes of this section, a student must be enrolled in a certificate or degree program to qualify.

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Subd. 7. EXPIRATION. This section applies to student housing approved by the state board before January 1, 1997. The property tax exemption for a student housing development is limited to 20 years from the date of first occupancy. This section expires January 1, 2018.

Subd. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Thief River Falls complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, and applies beginning for property taxes assessed in 1993, and payable in 1994.

**Sec. 47. PROPERTY ACQUIRED FROM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE.**

Subdivision 1. PROPERTY EXEMPTION. Property owned by a cooperative association, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 273.40, that is purchased by a public utility, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.02, remains exempt from property taxes, if the property:

(1) was exempt under Minnesota Statutes, section 272.02, subdivision 1, clause (18), or section 273.41 when it was owned by the cooperative association; and

(2) is located in St. Louis, Koochiching, Itasca, and Lake counties.

This exemption applies for three assessment years from the date of purchase. The tax under Minnesota Statutes, section 273.41, continues to apply during the three-year exemption period. The rates charged by the public utility must reflect the property tax exemption provided under this section.

Subd. 2. LOCAL APPROVAL. Subdivision 1 is effective in St. Louis, Koochiching, Itasca, and Lake counties the day after the governing body of the county complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

**Sec. 48. HENNEPIN COUNTY; PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION.**

Subdivision 1. EXEMPTION. Notwithstanding the time requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 272.02, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), for taxes levied in 1991, payable in 1992, the governing body of Hennepin county may grant a property tax exemption for property that (1) meets the requirements of exempt property under Minnesota Statutes, section 272.02, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), except for the July 1 date; (2) was an athletic facility classified as class 3 commercial and industrial property on January 2, 1991; and (3) was acquired during 1991 by a church.

Subd. 2. LOCAL APPROVAL. Subdivision 1 is effective the day following compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the governing body of Hennepin county.

**Sec. 49. TRANSFERRING CLOSED ARMORIES.**

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 193.36, an armory that is mustered out of the service of the state and is closed by the adjutant general between the effective date of this act and July 1, 1994, must be disposed of as provided in this act.

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An armory subject to this section must be offered for sale to the municipality or county within which it is located for the price of \$1. In the event that both the municipality and the county desire to purchase the armory, the municipality must be given first priority to purchase the armory. If the municipality or county does not agree to purchase the armory after a reasonable opportunity, the adjutant general shall dispose of the property as provided in Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 193.36. The adjutant general shall dispose of any receipts from the sale of the property as provided in Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 193.36, subdivision 2.

#### Sec. 50. PLANNING AND REMODELING GRANTS.

\$25,000 for each armory sold or disposed of under this section is appropriated from the general fund to the department of military affairs for fiscal year 1993 for the purpose of providing grants to municipalities or counties that purchase closed armories under section 49. A grant of up to \$25,000 must be provided to each municipality or county purchasing an armory. These grants must be used by the municipality or county for preparing this property for any purpose deemed acceptable by the acquiring municipality or county. The commissioner of military affairs shall consult with representatives of the acquiring municipalities and counties in adopting rules for the distribution of the grants.

#### Sec. 51. LIMITATION; LIABILITY.

A municipality or county does not become responsible for responding to the presence of a hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant in or on property associated with an armory under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115B, solely because it takes ownership of an armory under sections 49 to 51.

#### Sec. 52. WATERSHED DISTRICT LEVIES.

(a) The Nine Mile Creek watershed district, the Riley-Purgatory Bluff Creek watershed district, the Minnehaha Creek watershed district, the Coon Creek watershed district, and the Lower Minnesota River watershed district may levy in 1992 and thereafter a tax not to exceed \$200,000 on property within the district for the administrative fund. The levy authorized under this section is in lieu of section 103D.905, subdivision 3. The administrative fund shall be used for the purposes contained in Minnesota Statutes, section 103D.905, subdivision 3. The board of managers shall make the levy for the administrative fund in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 103D.915.

(b) The Wild Rice watershed district may levy, for taxes payable in 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997, an ad valorem tax not to exceed \$200,000 on property within the district for the administrative fund. The additional \$75,000 above the amount authorized in Minnesota Statutes, section 103D.905, subdivision 3, must be used for costs incurred in connection with cost-sharing projects with the United States Army Corps of Engineers. The board of managers shall make the levy for the administrative fund in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 103D.915.

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**Sec. 53. CITY OF OTSEGO; EXCESS LEVY PENALTY ABATEMENT.**

The excess levy amount of \$63,707, levied in 1990, for taxes payable in 1991, by the city of Otsego, Wright county, is exempt from the penalties imposed under Minnesota Statutes, sections 275.51, subdivision 4, and 275.55.

This section is effective the day after approval by the Otsego city council and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

**Sec. 54. STUDY OF SINGLE-USE PROPERTY.**

For the purposes of providing information to the legislature, the commissioner of revenue shall survey selected county assessors to obtain information on the number and types of single-use industrial real estate properties in the state. For purposes of the survey, the commissioner of revenue shall develop a definition of single-use industrial real estate property in consultation with the chairs of the house and senate tax committees and county assessors. The commissioner shall make a report on the findings of the survey to the chairs of the house and senate tax committees prior to the 1993 legislative session.

**Sec. 55. STUDY OF HOMESTEAD CLAIMS.**

The commissioner of revenue shall study alternative methods for identifying improper claims for homestead classification and the extent to which improper claims have been made. The commissioner shall report the findings to the chairs of the house and senate tax committees by January 1993.

**Sec. 56. STUDY ON ECONOMICS ON RENTAL HOUSING.**

The Minnesota housing finance agency, in cooperation with the department of revenue, shall study the effect of property tax policy on the economics of the long-term affordability of rental housing, maintenance of current rental housing stock, and the changing demographics of renters. The agency shall convene a task force of representatives of interested groups to advise the agency on the study. The agency and the department shall use appropriate research resources, including the University of Minnesota. The agency shall report to the governor and the legislature by February 15, 1993.

**Sec. 57. STUDY OF VALUATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME PARKS.**

The department of revenue in consultation with the assessors and the house and senate tax staff shall study the valuation of manufactured home parks and shall make recommendations concerning the most equitable and efficient methods of valuation to the chairs of the house and senate tax committees by January 15, 1993.

**Sec. 58. REGIONAL TRANSIT BOARD AID.**

Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 473.446, subdivision 1, clause

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(3), for aids relating to taxes payable in 1992, no aid shall be paid to the regional transit board in 1992 for aid that was not used to reduce the levy extended against individual parcels as the result of a county auditor's error in taxes payable in 1992.

Aids payable to the regional transit board in 1993 under section 473.446 shall be adjusted to include the actual amount of aids not paid in 1992 under this section provided that the county auditor reduces property taxes payable in 1993 by this amount.

Sec. 59. Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 65, is amended to read:

Sec. 65. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1, 4, 28, 35, 36, 57, 58, and 62 are effective the day following final enactment.

Sections 2, 3, 11, 15 to 22, 24, 26 ~~to 28~~, 27, 30, 37 to 49, and 63 are effective for taxes levied in 1991, payable in 1992, and thereafter.

Sections 5 and 6 are effective for referenda held after November 1, 1992, for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Sections 7 and 52 are effective July 1, 1991.

Sections 8, 9 and 31 are effective for appeals filed after July 31, 1991.

Section 10 is effective only for taxes payable in 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995.

Sections 12 and 14 are effective for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, except the deletion of the language "or any single contiguous lot fronting on the same street" in sections 12 and 14 shall be effective for taxes payable in 1992 and thereafter.

Section 13 is effective the day following final enactment and applies to real property acquired after December 31, 1990.

Sections 23 and 25 are effective for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Section 29 is effective for referenda for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, except that any city or county that conducted a referendum prior to May 1, 1992, and had publicly advertised to its property owners using levy amounts that, if adopted, reflect net tax capacity, is exempt from this provision with regards to that referendum. If the city or county intends to levy the tax on net tax capacity under section 29, it must certify to the commissioner of revenue the information necessary for the commissioner to determine that the requirements of this exception have been met.

Sections 32 and 33 are effective for taxes deemed delinquent after December 31, 1991.

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Sections 50 and 51 are effective for aids payable in 1991 and thereafter.

Section 53 is effective the day after the governing body of the city of Minneapolis complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 54 is effective for the 1991 and 1992 assessment year.

Section 59 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 325, Lakefield, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 60 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 77, Mankato, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Section 61 is effective the day after the governing body of independent school district No. 284, Wayzata, complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

**Sec. 60. REPEALER.**

(a) Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.124, subdivision 15, is repealed.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 271.04, subdivision 2, is repealed.

(c) Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 15, section 9, is repealed.

**Sec. 61. EFFECTIVE DATES.**

Sections 2 to 4, 9, 13, 17, 18, 20, 25, 35, 36, 40, and 60, paragraph (a), are effective for property taxes levied in 1992, payable in 1993, and thereafter.

Section 5 is effective beginning with the 1992 sales ratio study.

Sections 6, 10, 11, 15, 16, 31, 45, and 46 are effective for property taxes levied in 1993, payable in 1994, and thereafter.

Sections 7, 8, 24 and 60, paragraph (b), are effective for hearings scheduled by the court after January 1, 1993.

Section 14 is effective the day following final enactment and applies to property taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter by property for which leasehold cooperative status had been claimed before or after the effective date.

Section 18 is effective for assessment year 1992 and thereafter, for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, provided that for the assessment year 1992, for taxes payable in 1993, the January 15, 1992, certification date in section 18 is extended to June 15, 1992.

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Section 22 is effective for referenda for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

Sections 27 to 29, 39, 43, 49 to 51, 54 to 58 and 60, paragraph (c), are effective the day following final enactment.

Section 34 is effective for abatements granted in 1992 and thereafter.

Sections 41 and 42 are effective for collections made July 1, 1992, and thereafter.

Section 59 is effective the day following final enactment and applies as provided in that section.

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### ARTICLE 3

#### PROPOSED AND FINAL TAX NOTICES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **PAYMENT.** The commissioner shall certify the aids provided in subdivisions 2, 2b, 3, and 5 before ~~December~~ September 1, 1989, and October 1 ~~thereafter~~ of the year preceding the distribution year to the county auditor of the affected local government. The aids provided in subdivisions 2, 2b, 3, and 5 must be paid to local governments other than school districts at the times provided in section 477A.015 for payment of local government aid to taxing jurisdictions, except that the first one-half payment of disparity reduction aid provided in subdivision 3 must be paid on or before August 31. The disparity reduction credit provided in subdivision 4 must be paid to taxing jurisdictions other than school districts at the time provided in section 473H.10, subdivision 3. Aids and credit reimbursements to school districts must be certified to the commissioner of education and paid under section 273.1392. Except for education districts and secondary cooperatives that receive revenue according to section 124.2721 or 124.575, payment shall not be made to any taxing jurisdiction that has ceased to levy a property tax.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.065, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **PROPOSED LEVY.** Notwithstanding any law or charter to the contrary, on or before September 15, each taxing authority, other than a school district, shall adopt a proposed budget and each taxing authority shall certify to the county auditor the proposed or, in the case of a town, the final property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year. If the board of estimate and taxation or any similar board that establishes maximum tax levies for taxing jurisdictions within a first class city certifies the maximum property tax levies for funds under its jurisdiction by charter to the county auditor by September 1

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15, the city shall be deemed to have certified its levies for those taxing jurisdictions. For purposes of this section, "taxing authority" includes all home rule and statutory cities, towns, counties, school districts, and special taxing districts. The commissioner of revenue shall determine what constitutes a special taxing district for purposes of this section. Intermediate school districts that levy a tax under chapter 136D, joint powers boards established under sections 124.491 to 124.495, and common school districts No. 323, Franconia, and No. 815, Prinsburg, are special taxing districts for purposes of this section.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.065, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **OVERLAPPING JURISDICTIONS.** In the case of a taxing authority lying in two or more counties, the home county auditor shall certify the proposed levy and the proposed local tax rate to the other county auditor by September 20 ~~for taxes levied in 1990, and thereafter, and the proposed local tax rate by September 5 for taxes levied in 1991, and thereafter,~~ for counties containing a city of the first class. The home county auditor must estimate the levy or rate in preparing the notices required in subdivision 3, if the other county has not certified the appropriate information. If requested by the home county auditor, the other county auditor must furnish an estimate to the home county auditor.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.065, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAXES.** (a) The county auditor shall prepare and the county treasurer shall deliver ~~on or before~~ after November 10 and on or before November 24 each year, by first class mail to each taxpayer at the address listed on the county's current year's assessment roll, a notice of proposed property taxes and, in the case of a town, final property taxes.

(b) The commissioner of revenue shall prescribe the form of the notice.

(c) The notice must inform taxpayers that it contains the amount of property taxes each taxing authority other than a town proposes to collect for taxes payable the following year ~~as required in paragraph (d) or (e) and,~~ for a town, the amount of its final levy. It must clearly state that each taxing authority, other than a town or special taxing district, will hold a public meeting to receive public testimony on the proposed budget and proposed or final property tax levy, or, in case of a school district, on the current budget and proposed property tax levy. It must clearly state the time and place of each taxing authority's meeting and an address where comments will be received by mail.

(d) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (e), for taxes levied in 1990 and 1991, the notice must state by county, city or town, and school district:~~

~~(1) the total proposed or, for a town, final property tax levy for taxes payable the following year after reduction for state aid;~~

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(2) the percentage increase or decrease from the actual property tax levy for taxes payable in the current year; and

(3) for counties, cities, and towns, the increase or decrease in population from the second previous calendar year to the immediately prior calendar year; and for school districts, the increase or decrease in the number of pupils in average daily membership from the current school year to the immediately following school year as determined by the commissioner of education. The data used to determine the increase or decrease in population under this clause must be the data used for purposes of the population adjustment to the levy limit base of the county, city, or town under section 275.51, subdivision 6.

For notices which are not parcel-specific, the notice must also state a total percentage increase or decrease in the proposed levy, relative to the actual property tax levy for taxes payable in the current year for the county, city or town, and school district. The county auditor shall compute the total percentage increase or decrease as an average percentage change weighted in proportion to each taxing jurisdiction's proportion of the total levy.

For purposes of this paragraph, "proposed property taxes after reduction for state aid" means the taxing authority's levy certified under section 275.07, subdivision 1.

(e) In the case of a county containing a city of the first class, or taxing authority lying wholly within a county or counties containing a city of the first class, for taxes levied in 1991, and thereafter, and for all counties for taxes levied in 1992 and thereafter, The notice must state for each parcel:

(1) the market value of the property as defined under section 272.03, subdivision 8, for property taxes payable in the following year and for taxes payable the current year; and, in the case of residential property, whether the property is classified as homestead or nonhomestead. The notice must clearly inform taxpayers of the years to which the market values apply and that the values are final values;

(2) by county, city or town, school district, the sum of the special taxing districts, and as a total of the taxing authorities, including special taxing districts, the proposed or, for a town, final net tax on the property for taxes payable the following year and the actual tax for taxes payable the current year. In the case of a parcel where tax increment or the fiscal disparities areawide tax applies, the proposed tax levy on the captured value or the proposed tax levy on the tax capacity subject to the areawide tax must each be stated separately and not included in the sum of the special taxing districts; and

(3) the increase or decrease in the amounts in clause (2) from taxes payable in the current year to proposed or, for a town, final taxes payable the following year, expressed as a dollar amount and as a percentage.

(f) (e) The notice must clearly state that the proposed or final taxes do not include the following:

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(1) special assessments;

(2) levies approved by the voters after the date the proposed taxes are certified, including bond referenda, school district levy referenda, and levy limit increase referenda;

(3) amounts necessary to pay cleanup or other costs due to a natural disaster occurring after the date the proposed taxes are certified;

(4) amounts necessary to pay tort judgments against the taxing authority that become final after the date the proposed taxes are certified; and

(5) any additional amount levied in lieu of a local sales and use tax, unless this amount is included in the proposed or final taxes.

~~(e)~~ (f) Except as provided in subdivision 7, failure of the county auditor to prepare or the county treasurer to deliver the notice as required in this section does not invalidate the proposed or final tax levy or the taxes payable pursuant to the tax levy.

(g) If the notice the taxpayer receives under this section lists the property as nonhomestead and the homeowner provides satisfactory documentation to the county assessor that the property is owned and has been used as the owner's homestead prior to June 1 of that year, the assessor shall reclassify the property to homestead for taxes payable in the following year.

(h) In the case of class 4 residential property used as a residence for lease or rental periods of 30 days or more, the taxpayer must either:

(1) mail or deliver a copy of the notice of proposed property taxes to each tenant, renter, or lessee; or

(2) post a copy of the notice in a conspicuous place on the premises of the property.

The notice must be mailed or posted by the taxpayer by November ~~13~~ 27 or within three days of receipt of the notice, whichever is later. A taxpayer may notify the county treasurer of the address of the taxpayer, agent, caretaker, or manager of the premises to which the notice must be mailed in order to fulfill the requirements of this paragraph.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.065, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **COSTS.** If the reasonable cost of the county auditor's services and the cost of preparing and mailing the notice required in this section exceed the amount distributed to the county by the commissioner of revenue to administer this section, the taxing authority must reimburse the county for the excess cost. The excess cost must be apportioned between taxing jurisdictions as follows:

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- (1) one-third is allocated to the county;
- (2) one-third is allocated to cities and towns within the county; and
- (3) one-third is allocated to school districts within the county.

The amounts in clause (2) must be further apportioned among the cities and towns in the proportion that the ~~population~~ number of parcels in the city and town bears to the ~~population~~ number of parcels in all the cities and towns within the county. The amount in clause (3) must be further apportioned among the school districts in the proportion that the number of ~~pupils~~ parcels in the school district bears to the number of ~~pupils~~ parcels in all school districts within the county.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.065, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

Subd. 5a. **PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT.** (a) A city that has a population of more than 1,000, county, or school district shall advertise in a newspaper a notice of its intent to adopt a budget and property tax levy or, in the case of a school district, to review its current budget and proposed property taxes payable in the following year, at a public hearing. The notice must be published not less than two business days nor more than six business days before the hearing.

For a city that has a population of more than 1,000 but less than 2,500 the advertisement must be at least one-eighth page in size of a standard-size or a tabloid-size newspaper; ~~and~~. The ~~headlines~~ first headline in the advertisement stating the notice of proposed property taxes and the notice of public hearing must be in a type no smaller than 14-point, ~~and the second headline must be in a type no smaller than 12-point.~~ The text of the advertisement must be no smaller than ~~12-point~~ 10-point, except that the property tax amounts and percentages may be in ~~10-point~~ 9-point type.

For a city that has a population of 2,500 or more, a county or a school district, ~~the advertisement must be at least one-quarter page in size of a standard-size or a tabloid-size newspaper;~~ and the ~~headlines~~ first headline in the advertisement stating the notice of proposed property taxes and the notice of public hearing must be in a type no smaller than 30-point, ~~and the second headline must be in a type no smaller than 22-point.~~ The text of the advertisement must be no smaller than ~~22-point~~ 14-point, except that the property tax amounts and percentages may be in ~~14-point~~ 12-point type.

The advertisement must not be placed in the part of the newspaper where legal notices and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement must be published in an official newspaper of general circulation in the taxing authority. The newspaper selected must be one of general interest and readership in the community, and not one of limited subject matter. The advertisement must appear in a newspaper that is published at least once per week.

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(b) The advertisement must be in the following form, except that the notice for a school district may include references to the current budget in regard to proposed property taxes.

"NOTICE OF  
PROPOSED PROPERTY TAXES  
(City/County/School District) of .....

The governing body of ..... will soon hold budget hearings and vote on the property taxes for (city/county services that will be provided in 199\_/school district services that will be provided in 199\_ and 199\_).

The property tax amounts below compare current (city/county/school district) property taxes and the property taxes that would be collected in 199\_ if the budget now being considered is approved:

199_ Property Taxes	Proposed 199_ Property Taxes	199_ Increase or Decrease
\$.....	\$.....	....%

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing and express their opinions on the proposed (city/county/school district) budget and property taxes, or in the case of a school district, its current budget and proposed property taxes, payable in the following year. The hearing will be held on (Month/Day/Year) at (Time) at (Location, Address).

~~A continuation of the hearing, if necessary, will be held on (Month/Day/Year) at (Time) at (Location, Address).~~

~~Written comments may be directed to (Address)."~~

(c) A city with a population of 1,000 or less must advertise by posted notice as defined in section 645.12, subdivision 1. The advertisement must be posted at the time provided in paragraph (a). It must be in the form required in paragraph (b).

(d) For purposes of this subdivision, the population of a city is the most recent population as determined by the state demographer under section ~~116K.04, subdivision 4~~ 4A.02.

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Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.065, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **PUBLIC HEARING; ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND LEVY.** Between November ~~15~~ 29 and December 20, the governing bodies of the city and county shall each hold a public hearing to adopt its final budget and property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year, and the governing body of the school district shall hold a public hearing to review its current budget and adopt its property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year.

At the hearing, the taxing authority, other than a school district, may amend the proposed budget and property tax levy and must adopt a final budget and property tax levy, and the school district may amend the proposed property tax levy and must adopt a final property tax levy.

The property tax levy certified under section 275.07 by a city, county, or school district must not exceed the proposed levy determined under subdivision 1, except by an amount up to the sum of the following amounts:

(1) the amount of a school district levy whose voters approved a referendum to increase taxes under section 124.82, subdivision 3, 124A.03, subdivision 2, or 124B.03, subdivision 2, after the proposed levy was certified;

(2) the amount of a city or county levy approved by the voters under section 275.58 after the proposed levy was certified;

(3) the amount of a levy to pay principal and interest on bonds issued or approved by the voters under section 475.58 after the proposed levy was certified;

(4) the amount of a levy to pay costs due to a natural disaster occurring after the proposed levy was certified, if that amount is approved by the commissioner of revenue under subdivision 6a;

(5) the amount of a levy to pay tort judgments against a taxing authority that become final after the proposed levy was certified, if the amount is approved by the commissioner of revenue under subdivision 6a;

(6) the amount of an increase in levy limits certified to the taxing authority by the commissioner of revenue or the commissioner of education after the proposed levy was certified; and

(7) if not included in the certified levy, any additional amount levied pursuant to section 275.51, subdivision 7, paragraph (b).

At the hearing the percentage increase in property taxes proposed by the taxing authority, if any, and the specific purposes for which property tax revenues are being increased must be discussed. During the discussion, the governing body shall hear comments regarding a proposed increase and explain the reasons for the proposed increase. The public shall be allowed to speak and to

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ask questions prior to adoption of any measures by the governing body. The governing body, other than the governing body of a school district, shall adopt its final property tax levy prior to adopting its final budget.

If the hearing is not completed on its scheduled date, the taxing authority must announce, prior to adjournment of the hearing, the date, time, and place for the continuation of the hearing. The continued hearing must be held at least five business days but no more than 14 business days after the original hearing.

The hearing must be held after 5:00 p.m. if scheduled on a day other than Saturday. No hearing may be held on a Sunday. The governing body of a county shall hold its hearing on the first Tuesday in December each year. The county auditor shall provide for the coordination of hearing dates for all taxing authorities cities and school districts within the county.

~~By August 1, the county auditor shall notify the clerk of each school district within the county of the dates that the county board has designated for its hearing and any continuation under subdivision 3.~~ By August 15, each school board shall certify to the county auditors of the counties in which the school district is located the dates on which it elects to hold its hearings and any continuations ~~under subdivision 3.~~ If a school board does not certify the dates by August 15, the auditor will assign the hearing date. The dates elected or assigned must not conflict with the county hearing dates. By August 20, the county auditor shall notify the clerks of the cities within the county of the dates on which ~~the county and~~ school districts have elected to hold their hearings. At the time a city certifies its proposed levy under subdivision 1 it shall certify the dates on which it elects to hold its hearings and any continuations ~~under subdivision 3.~~ The city must not select dates that conflict with the county hearing dates or with those elected by or assigned to the ~~counties and~~ school districts in which the city is located.

The county hearing dates so elected or assigned and the city and school district hearing dates must be designated on the notices required under subdivision 3. The continuation dates need not be stated on the notices.

This subdivision does not apply to towns and special taxing districts.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.125, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **CERTIFICATION OF LEVY LIMITATIONS.** ~~By August 15~~ September 1, the commissioner shall notify the school districts of their levy limits. The commissioner shall certify to the county auditors the levy limits for all school districts headquartered in the respective counties together with adjustments for errors in levies not penalized pursuant to subdivision 15 as well as adjustments to final pupil unit counts.

A school district may require the commissioner to review the certification and to present evidence in support of modification of the certification.

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The county auditor shall reduce levies for any excess of levies over levy limitations pursuant to section 275.16. Such reduction in excess levies may, at the discretion of the school district, be spread over two calendar years.

Sec. 9. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.065, subdivision 1b, is repealed.

Sec. 10. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 2 to 9 are effective for taxes levied in 1992, payable in 1993, and thereafter. Section 1 is effective for aids paid in 1993 and thereafter.

**ARTICLE 4**

**PROPERTY TAXES: ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL**

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 124A.23, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **GENERAL EDUCATION TAX RATE.** The commissioner ~~of revenue~~ shall establish the general education tax rate ~~and certify it to the commissioner of education~~ by July 1 of each year for levies payable in the following year. The general education tax capacity rate shall be a rate, rounded up to the nearest tenth of a percent, that, when applied to the adjusted net tax capacity for all districts, raises the amount specified in this subdivision. The general education tax rate shall be the rate that raises \$916,000,000 for fiscal year 1993 and \$961,800,000 for fiscal year 1994 and later fiscal years. The general education tax rate ~~certified by the commissioner of revenue~~ may not be changed due to changes or corrections made to a district's adjusted net tax capacity after the tax rate has been ~~certified~~ established.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270.075, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. The commissioner shall determine the rate of tax to be levied and collected against the net tax capacity as determined pursuant to section 270.074, subdivision 2, to generate revenues ~~of \$7,500,000 from taxes levied in assessment year 1987 and payable in 1988 and revenues of \$7,900,000 from taxes levied in 1988 and payable in 1989. Thereafter the legislature shall annually establish the amount of revenue to be generated from a tax on sufficient to fund the~~ airflight property tax portion of each year's state airport fund appropriation, as certified to the commissioner by the commissioner of transportation. The property tax portion of the state airport fund appropriation is the difference between the total fund appropriation and the estimated total fund revenues from other sources for the state fiscal year in which the tax is payable. If a levy amount has not been certified by September 1 of a levy year, the commissioner shall use the last previous certified amount to determine the rate of tax.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.1104, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. The term value as applied to iron ore in sections 273.165, subdivision 2, and 273.13, subdivision 31, shall be deemed to be ~~three times~~ the present value of future income or the minimum value as established by the commissioner notwithstanding the provisions of section 273.11. The present value of future income shall be determined by the commissioner of revenue in accordance with professionally recognized mineral valuation practice and procedure. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring any change in the method of determining present value of iron ore utilized by the commissioner prior to the enactment hereof or as limiting any remedy presently available to the taxpayer in connection with the commissioner's determination of present value, or precluding the commissioner from making subsequent changes in the present worth formula.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.13, subdivision 25, as amended by Laws 1992, chapter 363, article 1, section 12, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subd. 25. **CLASS 4.** (a) Class 4a is residential real estate containing four or more units and used or held for use by the owner or by the tenants or lessees of the owner as a residence for rental periods of 30 days or more. Class 4a also includes hospitals licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56, other than hospitals exempt under section 272.02, and contiguous property used for hospital purposes, without regard to whether the property has been platted or subdivided. Class 4a property has a class rate of 3.5 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, and 3.4 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter.

(b) Class 4b includes:

(1) residential real estate containing less than four units, other than seasonal residential, and recreational;

(2) manufactured homes not classified under any other provision;

(3) a dwelling, garage, and surrounding one acre of property on a nonhometead farm classified under subdivision 23, paragraph (b).

Class 4b property has a class rate of 2.8 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, 2.5 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1993, and 2.3 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1994 and thereafter.

(c) Class 4c property includes:

(1) a structure that is:

(i) situated on real property that is used for housing for the elderly or for low- and moderate-income families as defined in Title II, as amended through

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December 31, 1990, of the National Housing Act or the Minnesota housing finance agency law of 1971, as amended, or rules promulgated by the agency and financed by a direct federal loan or federally insured loan made pursuant to Title II of the act; or

(ii) situated on real property that is used for housing the elderly or for low- and moderate-income families as defined by the Minnesota housing finance agency law of 1971, as amended, or rules adopted by the agency pursuant thereto and financed by a loan made by the Minnesota housing finance agency pursuant to the provisions of the act.

This clause applies only to property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity. Property is classified as class 4c under this clause for 15 years from the date of the completion of the original construction or substantial rehabilitation, or for the original term of the loan.

(2) a structure that is:

(i) situated upon real property that is used for housing lower income families or elderly or handicapped persons, as defined in section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended; and

(ii) owned by an entity which has entered into a housing assistance payments contract under section 8 which provides assistance for 100 percent of the dwelling units in the structure, other than dwelling units intended for management or maintenance personnel. Property is classified as class 4c under this clause for the term of the housing assistance payments contract, including all renewals, or for the term of its permanent financing, whichever is shorter; and

(3) a qualified low-income building as defined in section 42(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, that (i) receives a low-income housing credit under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990; or (ii) meets the requirements of that section and receives public financing, except financing provided under sections 469.174 to 469.179, which contains terms restricting the rents; or (iii) meets the requirements of section 273.1317. Classification pursuant to this clause is limited to a term of 15 years.

For all properties described in clauses (1), (2), and (3) and in paragraph (d), the market value determined by the assessor must be based on the normal approach to value using normal unrestricted rents unless the owner of the property elects to have the property assessed under Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55. If the owner of the property elects to have the market value determined on the basis of the actual restricted rents, as provided in Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55, the property will be assessed at the rate provided for class 4a or class 4b property, as appropriate. Properties described in clauses (1)(ii), (3), and (4) may apply to the assessor for valuation under Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 1, section 55. The land on which these structures are situated has the class rate given in paragraph (b) if the structure contains fewer

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than four units, and the class rate given in paragraph (a) if the structure contains four or more units. This clause applies only to the property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity.

(4) a parcel of land, not to exceed one acre, and its improvements or a parcel of unimproved land, not to exceed one acre, if it is owned by a neighborhood real estate trust and at least 60 percent of the dwelling units, if any, on all land owned by the trust are leased to or occupied by lower income families or individuals. This clause does not apply to any portion of the land or improvements used for nonresidential purposes. For purposes of this clause, a lower income family is a family with an income that does not exceed 65 percent of the median family income for the area, and a lower income individual is an individual whose income does not exceed 65 percent of the median individual income for the area, as determined by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. For purposes of this clause, "neighborhood real estate trust" means an entity which is certified by the governing body of the municipality in which it is located to have the following characteristics:

(a) it is a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A;

(b) it has as its principal purpose providing housing for lower income families in a specific geographic community designated in its articles or bylaws;

(c) it limits membership with voting rights to residents of the designated community; and

(d) it has a board of directors consisting of at least seven directors, 60 percent of whom are members with voting rights and, to the extent feasible, 25 percent of whom are elected by resident members of buildings owned by the trust; and

(5) except as provided in subdivision 22, paragraph (c), real property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes, including real property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreation purposes and not devoted to commercial purposes for more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment. For purposes of this clause, property is devoted to a commercial purpose on a specific day if any portion of the property is used, or available for use for residential occupancy, and a fee is charged for residential occupancy. Class 4c also includes commercial use real property used exclusively for recreational purposes in conjunction with class 4c property devoted to temporary and seasonal residential occupancy for recreational purposes, up to a total of two acres, provided the property is not devoted to commercial recreational use for more than 250 days in the year preceding the year of assessment and is located within two miles of the class 4c property with which it is used. Class 4c property classified in this clause also includes the remainder of class 1c resorts;

(6) real property up to a maximum of one acre of land owned by a nonprofit community service oriented organization; provided that the property is not used

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for a revenue-producing activity for more than six days in the calendar year preceding the year of assessment and the property is not used for residential purposes on either a temporary or permanent basis. For purposes of this clause, a "nonprofit community service oriented organization" means any corporation, society, association, foundation, or institution organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, fraternal, civic, or educational purposes, and which is exempt from federal income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3), (10), or (19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990. For purposes of this clause, "revenue-producing activities" shall include but not be limited to property or that portion of the property that is used as an on-sale intoxicating liquor or nonintoxicating malt liquor establishment licensed under chapter 340A, a restaurant open to the public, bowling alley, a retail store, gambling conducted by organizations licensed under chapter 349, an insurance business, or office or other space leased or rented to a lessee who conducts a for-profit enterprise on the premises. Any portion of the property which is used for revenue-producing activities for more than six days in the calendar year preceding the year of assessment shall be assessed as class 3a. The use of the property for social events open exclusively to members and their guests for periods of less than 24 hours, when an admission is not charged nor any revenues are received by the organization shall not be considered a revenue-producing activity;

(7) post-secondary student housing of not more than one acre of land that is owned by a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A and is used exclusively by a student cooperative, sorority, or fraternity for on-campus housing or housing located within two miles of the border of a college campus; and

(8) manufactured home parks as defined in section 327.14, subdivision 3.

Class 4c property has a class rate of 2.3 percent of market value, except that each parcel of seasonal residential recreational property not used for commercial purposes under clause (5) has a class rate of 2.2 percent of market value for taxes payable in 1992, and for taxes payable in 1993 and thereafter, the first \$72,000 of market value on each parcel has a class rate of two percent and the market value of each parcel that exceeds \$72,000 has a class rate of 2.5 percent.

(d) Class 4d property includes:

(1) a structure that is:

(i) situated on real property that is used for housing for the elderly or for low and moderate income families as defined by the Farmers Home Administration;

(ii) located in a municipality of less than 10,000 population; and

(iii) financed by a direct loan or insured loan from the Farmers Home Administration. Property is classified under this clause for 15 years from the date of the completion of the original construction or for the original term of the loan.

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The class rates in paragraph (c), clauses (1), (2), and (3) and this clause apply to the properties described in them, only in proportion to occupancy of the structure by elderly or handicapped persons or low and moderate income families as defined in the applicable laws unless construction of the structure had been commenced prior to January 1, 1984; or the project had been approved by the governing body of the municipality in which it is located prior to June 30, 1983; or financing of the project had been approved by a federal or state agency prior to June 30, 1983. Classification under this clause is only available to property of a nonprofit or limited dividend entity.

(2) For taxes payable in 1992, 1993 and 1994, only, buildings and appurtenances, together with the land upon which they are located, leased by the occupant under the community lending model lease-purchase mortgage loan program administered by the Federal National Mortgage Association, provided the occupant's income is no greater than 60 percent of the county or area median income, adjusted for family size and the building consists of existing single family or duplex housing. The lease agreement must provide for a portion of the lease payment to be escrowed as a nonrefundable down payment on the housing. To qualify under this clause, the taxpayer must apply to the county assessor by May 30 of each year. The application must be accompanied by an affidavit or other proof required by the assessor to determine qualification under this clause.

(3) For taxes payable in 1992, 1993 and 1994, only, federally acquired buildings under four units and appurtenances, together with the land upon which they are located that is leased to a nonprofit corporation organized under chapter 317A that qualifies for tax exempt status under United States Code, title 26, section 501(c), or a housing and redevelopment authority authorized under sections 469.001 to 469.047; the purpose of the lease must be to allow the nonprofit corporation to provide transitional housing for homeless persons under the program established in ~~Code of Federal Regulations, title 55, section 55~~ Federal Register 49489. As used in this clause, "transitional housing" has the meaning given in section 268.38, subdivision 1, except that the two-year restriction does not apply. If the property is purchased from the federal government by the nonprofit corporation for the purpose of continuing to provide transitional housing after the expiration of the lease, the property shall continue to be eligible for this classification. To qualify under this clause, the taxpayer must apply to the county assessor by May 30 of each year. The application must be accompanied by an affidavit or other proof required by the county assessor to determine qualification under this clause. Property qualifying under this clause in 1992, 1993, or 1994 continues to receive a two percent class rate until the five-year lease has expired provided that the property continues to be used for the purposes as described in this clause.

Class 4d property has a class rate of two percent of market value.

(e) Residential rental property that would otherwise be assessed as class 4 property under paragraph (a); paragraph (b), clauses (1) and (3); paragraph (c), clause (1), (2), (3), or (4), is assessed at the class rate applicable to it under Min-

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nesota Statutes 1988, section 273.13, if it is found to be a substandard building under section 273.1316. Residential rental property that would otherwise be assessed as class 4 property under paragraph (d) is assessed at 2.3 percent of market value if it is found to be a substandard building under section 273.1316.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.13, subdivision 33, is amended to read:

**Subd. 33. CLASSIFICATION OF UNIMPROVED PROPERTY.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), real property that is not improved with a structure ~~and that is not used as part of a commercial or industrial activity~~ must be classified ~~and assessed~~ according to its highest and best use permitted under the local zoning ordinance. If the ordinance permits more than one use, the land must be classified ~~and assessed~~ according to the highest and best use permitted under the ordinance. If no such ordinance exists, the assessor shall consider the most likely potential use of the ~~vacant~~ unimproved land based upon the use made of surrounding land or land in proximity to the ~~vacant~~ unimproved land.

(b) Real property that is not improved with a structure and is in commercial, industrial, or agricultural use under section 273.13, must be classified according to its actual use.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.135, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. ~~For taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years,~~ The amount of the reduction authorized by subdivision 1 shall be:

(a) In the case of property located within the boundaries of a municipality which meets the qualifications prescribed in section 273.134, 66 percent of the tax, provided that the reduction shall not exceed the maximum amounts specified in clause (c), and shall not exceed an amount sufficient to reduce the effective tax rate on each parcel of property to the product of 95 percent of the base year effective tax rate multiplied by the ratio of the current year's tax rate to the payable 1989 tax rate. In no case will the reduction for each homestead resulting from this credit be less than \$10.

(b) In the case of property located within the boundaries of a school district which qualifies as a tax relief area but which is outside the boundaries of a municipality which meets the qualifications prescribed in section 273.134, 57 percent of the tax, provided that the reduction shall not exceed the maximum amounts specified in clause (c), and shall not exceed an amount sufficient to reduce the effective tax rate on each parcel of property to the product of 95 percent of the base year effective tax rate multiplied by the ratio of the current year's tax rate to the payable 1989 tax rate. In no case will the reduction for each homestead resulting from this credit be less than \$10.

(c) The maximum reduction of the tax is \$225.40 on property described in clause (a) and \$200.10 on property described in clause (b), for taxes payable in

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1985. These maximum amounts shall increase by \$15 times the quantity one minus the homestead credit equivalency percentage per year for taxes payable in 1986 and subsequent years.

For the purposes of this subdivision, "homestead credit equivalency percentage" means one minus the ratio of the net class rate to the gross class rate applicable to the first ~~\$68,000~~ \$72,000 of the market value of residential homesteads, "effective tax rate" means tax divided by the market value of a property, and the "base year effective tax rate" means the payable 1988 tax on a property with an identical market value to that of the property receiving the credit in the current year after the application of the credits payable under Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 273.13, subdivisions 22 and 23, and this section, divided by the market value of the property.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.1391, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. ~~For taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years,~~ The amount of the reduction authorized by subdivision 1 shall be:

(a) In the case of property located within a school district which does not meet the qualifications of section 273.134 as a tax relief area, but which is located in a county with a population of less than 100,000 in which taconite is mined or quarried and wherein a school district is located which does meet the qualifications of a tax relief area, and provided that at least 90 percent of the area of the school district which does not meet the qualifications of section 273.134 lies within such county, 57 percent of the tax on qualified property located in the school district that does not meet the qualifications of section 273.134, provided that the amount of said reduction shall not exceed the maximum amounts specified in clause (c), and shall not exceed an amount sufficient to reduce the effective tax rate on each parcel of property to the product of 95 percent of the base year effective tax rate multiplied by the ratio of the current year's tax rate to the payable 1989 tax rate. In no case will the reduction for each homestead resulting from this credit be less than \$10. The reduction provided by this clause shall only be applicable to property located within the boundaries of the county described therein.

(b) In the case of property located within a school district which does not meet the qualifications of section 273.134 as a tax relief area, but which is located in a school district in a county containing a city of the first class and a qualifying municipality, but not in a school district containing a city of the first class or adjacent to a school district containing a city of the first class unless the school district so adjacent contains a qualifying municipality, 57 percent of the tax, but not to exceed the maximums specified in clause (c), and shall not exceed an amount sufficient to reduce the effective tax rate on each parcel of property to the product of 95 percent of the base year effective tax rate multiplied by the ratio of the current year's tax rate to the payable 1989 tax rate. In no case will the reduction for each homestead resulting from this credit be less than \$10.

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(c) The maximum reduction of the tax is \$200.10 for taxes payable in 1985. This maximum amount shall increase by \$15 multiplied by the quantity one minus the homestead credit equivalency percentage per year for taxes payable in 1986 and subsequent years.

For the purposes of this subdivision, "homestead credit equivalency percentage" means one minus the ratio of the net class rate to the gross class rate applicable to the first ~~\$68,000~~ \$72,000 of the market value of residential homesteads, and "effective tax rate" means tax divided by the market value of a property, and the "base year effective tax rate" means the payable 1988 tax on a property with an identical market value to that of the property receiving the credit in the current year after application of the credits payable under Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 273.13, subdivisions 22 and 23, and this section, divided by the market value of the property.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.1398, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **APPROPRIATION.** An amount sufficient to pay the aids and credits provided under this section for school districts, intermediate school districts, or any group of school districts levying as a single taxing entity is annually appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of ~~revenue~~ education.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 273.1399, is amended to read:

**273.1399 REDUCTION IN STATE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AID.**

Subdivision 1. **DEFINITIONS.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(a) "Qualifying captured net tax capacity" means the following amounts:

(1) the captured net tax capacity of a new or the expanded part of an existing economic development or soils condition tax increment financing district, other than a qualified manufacturing district, for which certification was requested after April 30, 1990;

(2) the captured net tax capacity of a qualified manufacturing district, multiplied by the following percentage based on the number of years that have elapsed since the ~~district was first certified (measured from January 2 immediately preceding certification~~ assessment year of the original net tax capacity). In no case may the final amounts be less than zero or greater than the total captured net tax capacity of the district:

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Number of Years	Percentage
1	0
2	20
3	40
4	60
5	80
6 or more	100;

(3) the captured net tax capacity of a new or the expanded part of an existing tax increment financing district, other than an economic development or soils condition district, for which certification was requested after April 30, 1990, multiplied by the following percentage based on the number of years that have elapsed since the ~~district was first certified~~ (measured from January 2 immediately preceding certification assessment year of the original net tax capacity). In no case may the final amounts be less than zero or greater than the total captured net tax capacity of the district.

Number of years	Renewal and Renovation Districts	All other Districts
0 to 5	0	0
6	12.5	6.25
7	25	12.5
8	37.5	18.75
9	50	25
10	62.5	31.25
11	75	37.5
12	87.5	43.75
13	100	50
14	100	56.25
15	100	62.5
16	100	68.75
17	100	75
18	100	81.25
19	100	87.5
20	100	93.75
21 or more	100	100

In the case of a hazardous substance subdistrict, the number of years must be measured from the date of certification of the subdistrict for purposes of the additional captured net tax capacity resulting from the reduction in the subdistrict's or site's original net tax capacity.

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(b) The terms defined in section 469.174 have the meanings given in that section.

(c) "Qualified manufacturing district" means an economic development district that qualifies under section 469.176, subdivision 4c, paragraph (a), without regard to clauses (2) and (4), for which certification was requested after June 30, 1991, located in a home rule charter or statutory city that (1) has a population under 10,000 according to the last federal census and (2) is wholly located outside of a metropolitan statistical area as determined by the United States Office of Management and Budget.

**Subd. 2. REPORTING.** The county auditor shall calculate the qualifying captured net tax capacity amount for each municipal part of each school district in the county and report the amounts to the commissioner of revenue at the time and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner.

**Subd. 3. CALCULATION OF EDUCATION AIDS.** For each school district containing qualifying captured net tax capacity, the commissioner of education shall compute a hypothetical state aid amount that would be paid to the school district if the qualifying captured net tax capacity were divided by the sales ratio and included in the school district's adjusted tax capacity for purposes of calculating equalized levies as defined in section 273.1398, subdivision 2a, and associated state aids. The commissioner of education shall notify the commissioner of revenue of the difference between the actual aid paid and the hypothetical aid amounts calculated for each school district, broken down by the municipality that approved the tax increment financing district containing the qualifying captured net tax capacity. The resulting amount is the reduction in state tax increment financing aid.

**Subd. 4. EQUALIZATION FACTOR.** The amount of the reduction in state tax increment financing aid equals the amount determined under subdivision 3 less

(1) 75 percent of the excess, if any, of the amount determined under subdivision 3, over

(2) .05 times the municipality's net tax capacity, divided by the sales ratio.

**Subd. 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AIDS; HOMESTEAD AND AGRICULTURAL AID CALCULATIONS.** (a) The reduction in state tax increment financing aid for a municipality must be deducted first from the local government aids to be paid to the municipality. If the deduction exceeds the amount of the local government aid, the rest must be deducted from the homestead and agricultural credit aid to be paid to the municipality.

(b) The amount of qualifying captured net tax capacity must be included in adjusted net tax capacity for purposes of computing the local government aid of the municipality that approved the tax increment financing district.

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Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 274.20, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DEFINITIONS.** (a) ~~The term "total gross taxes" means the total gross taxes levied on manufactured homes assessed pursuant to section 274.19 in a unique taxing jurisdiction as defined in section 273.1398 before reduction by any credits for taxes in 1989. For aid payable in 1991 and subsequent years total gross taxes for 1989 shall be multiplied by the cost of living adjustment factor as defined in section 273.1398.~~

(b) ~~"Local tax rate" means the total local tax rate for taxes payable in 1989 within a unique taxing jurisdiction.~~

(c) ~~"Total net tax capacity" means the net tax capacities as defined in section 273.1398 of all manufactured homes assessed pursuant to section 274.19 except the market value used shall be for the assessment one year prior to that in which aid is payable.~~

(d) ~~"Subtraction factor" means the product of (i) a unique taxing jurisdiction's local tax rate; (ii) its total net tax capacity; and (iii) 0.9767. "Current local tax rate" has the meaning given in section 273.1398, subdivision 1.~~

(b) "Growth adjustment factor" means the growth adjustment factor used in the calculation of homestead and agricultural credit aid for the payable year in which the manufactured home homestead and agricultural credit aid is payable.

(c) "Net tax capacity" means the product of (1) the appropriate net class rates for the year in which the aid is payable, except that for aids payable in 1993 the class rate applicable to class 4a shall be 3.5 percent; and the class rate applicable to class 4b shall be 3.5 percent; and for aid payable in 1994 the class rate applicable to class 4b shall be 2.4 percent, and (2) estimated market values of manufactured homes assessed under section 274.19 for the assessment one year prior to that in which the aid is payable. "Total net tax capacity" means the net tax capacities for all manufactured homes within the taxing district assessed under section 274.19. Net tax capacity cannot be less than zero.

(d) "Net tax capacity adjustment" means (1) the total previous net tax capacity minus the total net tax capacity, multiplied by (2) the taxing district's current local tax rate. The net tax capacity adjustment cannot be less than zero.

(e) "Previous net tax capacity" means the product of the appropriate net class rates for the year previous to the year in which the aid is payable, and estimated market values of manufactured homes assessed under section 274.19 for the assessment one year prior to that in which the aid is payable. "Total previous net tax capacity" means the previous net tax capacities for all manufactured homes within the taxing district assessed under section 274.19. Previous net tax capacity cannot be less than zero.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 274.20, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. **MANUFACTURED HOME HOMESTEAD AND AGRICULTURAL CREDIT AID.** For each calendar year, the manufactured home homestead and agricultural credit aid for each unique taxing jurisdiction equals total gross taxes minus the unique taxing jurisdiction's subtraction factor manufactured home homestead and agricultural credit aid determined under this subdivision for the preceding aid payable year times the growth adjustment factor for the jurisdiction plus the net tax capacity adjustment for the jurisdiction. ~~The aid shall be allocated to each local government levying taxes in the unique taxing jurisdiction in the proportion that the local government's gross taxes bear to the total gross taxes.~~ Except for education districts and secondary cooperatives that receive revenue according to section 124.2721 or 124.575, payment will not be made to any taxing jurisdiction that has ceased to levy a property tax.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.125, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **BASIC TRANSPORTATION LEVY.** Each year, a school district may levy for school transportation services an amount not to exceed the amount raised by the basic transportation tax rate times the adjusted net tax capacity of the district for the preceding year. The commissioner of revenue education shall establish the basic transportation tax rate ~~and certify it to the commissioner of education~~ by July 1 of each year for levies payable in the following year. The basic transportation tax rate shall be a rate, rounded up to the nearest hundredth of a percent, that, when applied to the adjusted net tax capacity of taxable property for all districts, raises the amount specified in this subdivision. The basic transportation tax rate for transportation shall be the rate that raises \$64,300,000 for fiscal year 1993 and \$68,000,000 for fiscal year 1994 and subsequent fiscal years. The basic transportation tax rate certified by the commissioner of revenue education must not be changed due to changes or corrections made to a district's adjusted net tax capacity after the tax rate has been certified.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 277.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DUE DATES; PENALTY.** Except as provided in this subdivision and subdivision 3, all unpaid personal property taxes shall be deemed delinquent on May 16 next after they become due or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, and thereupon a penalty of eight percent shall attach and be charged upon all such taxes. In the case of unpaid personal property taxes due and owing under section 272.01, subdivision 2, or 273.19, the first half shall become delinquent if not paid before May 16 or 21 days after the postmark date on the envelope containing the property tax statement, whichever is later, ~~and thereupon a penalty of eight percent shall attach on the unpaid first half;~~ and the second half shall become delinquent if not paid before October 16; ~~and thereupon a penalty of eight percent shall attach on the unpaid second half;~~ penalties for unpaid tax on such property are imposed under section 279.01, subdivision 1. This section shall not apply to property taxed under section 274.19, subdivision 8, paragraph (c).

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A county may provide by resolution that in the case of a property owner that has multiple personal property tax statements with the aggregate taxes exceeding \$50, payments may be made in installments as provided in this subdivision.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 278.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DETERMINATION OF VALIDITY.** Any person having any estate, right, title, or interest in or lien upon any parcel of land, who claims that such property has been partially, unfairly, or unequally assessed in comparison with other property in the (1) city, or (2) county, or (3) in the case of a county containing a city of the first class, the portion of the county excluding the first class city, or that the parcel has been assessed at a valuation greater than its real or actual value, or that the tax levied against the same is illegal, in whole or in part, or has been paid, or that the property is exempt from the tax so levied, may have the validity of the claim, defense, or objection determined by the district court of the county in which the tax is levied or by the tax court by serving one copy of a petition for such determination upon the county auditor, one copy on the county attorney, one copy on the county treasurer, and three copies on the county assessor. ~~In counties where the office of county treasurer has been combined with the office of county auditor, the petitioner must serve the number of copies required by the county. The petitioner must file the copies with proof of service, in the office of the court administrator of the district court before the 16th day of May of the year in which the tax becomes payable.~~ The county assessor shall immediately forward one copy of the petition to the appropriate governmental authority in a home rule charter or statutory city or town in which the property is located if that city or town employs its own certified assessor. A copy of the petition shall also be forwarded by the assessor to the school board of the school district in which the property is located.

In counties where the office of county treasurer has been combined with the office of county auditor, the county may elect to require the petitioner to serve the number of copies as determined by the county. The county assessor shall immediately forward one copy of the petition to the appropriate governmental authority in a home rule charter or statutory city or town in which the property is located if that city or town employs its own certified assessor. A list of petitioned properties, including the name of the petitioner, the identification number of the property, and the estimated market value, shall be sent on or before the first day of July by the county auditor/treasurer to the school board of the school district in which the property is located.

For all counties, the petitioner must file the copies with proof of service, in the office of the court administrator of the district court before the 16th day of May of the year in which the tax becomes payable. A petition for determination under this section may be transferred by the district court to the tax court. An appeal may also be taken to the tax court under chapter 271 at any time following receipt of the valuation notice required by section 273.121 but prior to May 16 of the year in which the taxes are payable.

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Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 278.02, is amended to read:

**278.02 PETITION MAY INCLUDE SEVERAL PARCELS.**

Such petition need not be in any particular form, but shall clearly identify the land involved, the assessment date, and shall set forth in concise language the claim, defense, or objection asserted. No petition shall include more than one assessment date. Several parcels of land in or upon which the petitioner has an estate, right, title, interest, or lien may be included in the same petition, but only if they are in the same city or town, except that contiguous property overlapping city or town boundaries may be included in one petition.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 279.03, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **RATE AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1990.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) ~~or~~ (e), interest on delinquent property taxes, penalties, and costs unpaid on or after January 1, 1991, shall be payable at the per annum rate determined in section 270.75, subdivision 5. If the rate so determined is less than ten percent, the rate of interest shall be ten percent. The maximum per annum rate shall be 14 percent if the rate specified under section 270.75, subdivision 5, exceeds 14 percent. The rate shall be subject to change on January 1 of each year.

(b) ~~If a person is the owner of one or more parcels of property on which taxes are delinquent, and the aggregate tax capacity of that property exceeds five percent of the total tax capacity of the school district in which the property is located, interest on the delinquent property taxes, penalties, and costs unpaid after January 1, 1992, shall be payable at twice the rate determined under paragraph (a) for the year.~~

(e) If a person is the owner of one or more parcels of property on which taxes are delinquent, and the delinquent taxes are more than 25 percent of the prior year's school district levy, interest on the delinquent property taxes, penalties, and costs unpaid after January 1, 1992, shall be payable at twice the rate determined under paragraph (a) for the year.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 279.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **COMPOSITION INTO ONE ITEM.** Delinquent taxes upon any parcel of real estate may be composed into one item or amount by confession of judgment at any time prior to the forfeiture of the parcel of land to the state for taxes, for the aggregate amount of all the taxes, costs, penalties, and interest accrued against the parcel, as hereinafter provided. Taxes upon property which, for the previous year's assessment, was classified as ~~vacant land~~, mineral property, employment property, or commercial or industrial property shall ~~not~~ only be eligible to be composed into any confession of judgment ~~pursuant to~~ under this section ~~except~~ as provided in subdivision 1a. Delinquent taxes on

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unimproved land are eligible to be composed into a confession of judgment only if the land is classified as homestead, agricultural, or timberland in the previous year or is eligible for installment payment under subdivision 1a. The entire parcel is eligible for the ten-year installment plan as provided in subdivision 2 if 25 percent or more of the market value of the parcel is eligible for confession of judgment under this subdivision.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 281.17, is amended to read:

#### 281.17 PERIOD FOR REDEMPTION.

The period of redemption for all lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be three years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota if the land is within an incorporated area unless it is: (a) nonagricultural homesteaded land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22; (b) homesteaded agricultural land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, paragraph (a); or (c) seasonal recreational land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, paragraph (c), ~~23, paragraph (e)~~; or 25, paragraph (c), clause (5), for which the period of redemption is five years from the date of sale to the state of Minnesota.

The period of redemption for homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is three years from the date of sale. The period of redemption for all lands located in a targeted neighborhood as defined in Laws 1987, chapter 386, article 6, section 4, except homesteaded lands as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 22, and sold to the state at a tax judgment sale is one year from the date of sale.

The period of redemption for all other lands sold to the state at a tax judgment sale shall be five years from the date of sale, except that the period of redemption for nonhomesteaded agricultural land as defined in section 273.13, subdivision 23, paragraph (b), shall be two years from the date of sale if at that time that property is owned by a person who owns one or more parcels of property on which taxes are delinquent, and ~~(1) the aggregate tax capacity of that property exceeds five percent of the total tax capacity of the school district in which the property is located; or (2) the delinquent taxes are more than 25 percent of the prior year's school district levy.~~

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 281.23, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **COST.** The cost of giving notice, as provided by subdivisions 2, 3, 5, and 6, shall be paid by the county. The county may recover costs incurred for posting, publishing, mailing, and serving the notice from the owner of the parcel that is the subject of the notice.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.09, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. **MONEY PLACED IN FUND.** The county auditor and county treasurer shall place all money received through the operation of sections 282.01 to 282.13 in a fund to be known as the forfeited tax sale fund and all disbursements and costs shall be charged against that fund, when allowed by the county board. Members of the county board may be paid a per diem pursuant to section 375.055, subdivision 1, and reimbursed for their necessary expenses, and may receive mileage as fixed by law. Compensation of a land commissioner and assistants, if a land commissioner is appointed, shall be in the amount determined by the county board. The county auditor shall receive 50 cents for each certificate of sale, each contract for deed and each lease executed by the auditor, and, in counties where no land commissioner is appointed, additional annual compensation, not exceeding \$300, as fixed by the county board. Compensation of any other clerical help that may be needed by the county auditor or land commissioner shall be in the amount determined by the county board. All compensation provided for herein shall be in addition to other compensation allowed by law. Fees so charged in addition to the fee imposed in section 282.014 shall be included in the annual settlement by the county auditor as hereinafter provided. On or before February 1 each year, the commissioner of revenue shall certify to the commissioner of finance, by counties, the total number of state deeds issued and reissued during the preceding calendar year for which such fees are charged and the total amount thereof. On or before March 1 each year, each county shall remit to the commissioner of revenue, from the forfeited tax sale fund, the aggregate amount of the fees imposed by section 282.014 in the preceding calendar year. The commissioner of revenue shall deposit the amounts received in the state treasury to the credit of the general fund. When disbursements are made from the fund for repairs, refunds, expenses of actions to quiet title, or any other purpose which particularly affects specific parcels of forfeited lands, the amount of such disbursements shall be charged to the account of the taxing districts interested in such parcels. The county auditor shall make an annual settlement of the net proceeds received from sales and rentals by the operation of sections 282.01 to 282.13, on the settlement day determined in section 276.09, for the preceding calendar year.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.36, is amended to read:

**282.36 FEES PAYABLE ~~TO~~ BY REPURCHASER.**

Any person repurchasing land after forfeiture to the state for nonpayment of taxes under the provisions of a repurchase law shall at the time the certificate of repurchase is issued and recorded by the county auditor or before receiving quit-claim deed pursuant thereto, pay to the county treasurer a fee of ~~\$3~~ \$3 in an amount equal to the fee provided in section 282.014. Fees so collected during any calendar year shall be credited to a special fund and, upon a warrant issued by the county auditor on or before March 1 of the year following, shall be remitted to the ~~state treasurer~~ commissioner of revenue and credited to the general fund. The commissioner of revenue shall, on or before February 1 in each year, certify to the ~~state treasurer~~ commissioner of finance the number of deeds issued during the preceding calendar year to which these fees apply, showing by coun-

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ties the number of deeds so issued and the total fees due therefor. This section shall not apply to repurchases made under any law enacted prior to January 1, 1945.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 375.192, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Upon written application by the owner of the any property, the county board may grant the reduction or abatement of estimated market valuation or taxes and of any costs, penalties, or interest on them as the board deems just and equitable and order the refund in whole or part of any taxes, costs, penalties, or interest which have been erroneously or unjustly paid. ~~The county board may also grant the abatement of penalties for taxes paid within 30 days of the due date, regardless of the classification of the property.~~ The application must include the social security number of the applicant. The social security number is private data on individuals as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 12. ~~The application~~ All applications must be approved by the county assessor, or, if the property is located in a city of the first or second class having a city assessor, by the city assessor, and by the county auditor before consideration by the county board. ~~If, except that the part of the application which is for the abatement of penalty or interest, the application must be approved by the county treasurer and county auditor.~~ Approval by the county or city assessor is not required for abatements of penalty or interest. No reduction, abatement, or refund of any special assessments made or levied by any municipality for local improvements shall be made unless it is also approved by the board of review or similar taxing authority of the municipality. Before taking action on any reduction or abatement where the reduction of taxes, costs, penalties, and interest exceed \$10,000, the county board shall give 20 days' notice to the school board and the municipality in which the property is located. The notice must describe the property involved, the actual amount of the reduction being sought, and the reason for the reduction. If the school board or the municipality object to the granting of the reduction or abatement, the county board must refer the abatement or reduction to the commissioner of revenue with its recommendation. The commissioner shall consider the abatement or reduction under section 270.07, subdivision 1.

An appeal may not be taken to the tax court from any order of the county board made in the exercise of the discretionary authority granted in this section.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 423A.02, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **SUPPLEMENTARY AMORTIZATION STATE AID.** In addition to the amortization state aid under subdivision 1, there is a distribution of supplementary amortization state aid among those ~~local police and salaried fire-fighters relief associations~~ municipalities that receive amortization state aid under subdivision 1. The amount of the distribution is that proportion of the appropriation that the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of each relief associa-

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tion bears to the total unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities of all relief associations as reported in the ~~most recent~~ December 31, 1983, actuarial valuations of the relief associations receiving amortization state aid under subdivision 1. Money under this subdivision must be distributed to the relief associations at the same time that fire and police state aid is distributed under section 69.021.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.177, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **ORIGINAL LOCAL TAX RATE.** At the time of the initial certification of the original net tax capacity for a tax increment financing district, the county auditor shall certify the original local tax rate that applies to the district. The original local tax rate is the sum of all the local tax rates that apply to a property in the district. The local tax rate to be certified is the rate in effect for the same taxes payable year applicable to the tax capacity values certified as the district's original tax capacity. ~~If the total local tax rate applicable to properties in the tax increment financing district varies, the local tax rate must be computed by determining the average total local tax rate in the district, weighted on the basis of net tax capacity.~~ The resulting tax capacity rate is the original local tax rate for the life of the district.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.446, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **TAXATION WITHIN TRANSIT TAXING DISTRICT.** For the purposes of sections 473.404 to 473.449 and the metropolitan transit system, except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the regional transit board shall levy each year upon all taxable property within the metropolitan transit taxing district, defined in subdivision 2, a transit tax consisting of:

(a) an amount which shall be used for payment of the expenses of operating transit and paratransit service and to provide for payment of obligations issued by the commission under section 473.436, subdivision 6;

(b) an additional amount, if any, the board determines to be necessary to provide for the full and timely payment of its certificates of indebtedness and other obligations outstanding on July 1, 1985, to which property taxes under this section have been pledged; and

(c) an additional amount necessary to provide full and timely payment of certificates of indebtedness, bonds, including refunding bonds or other obligations issued or to be issued under section 473.39 by the council for purposes of acquisition and betterment of property and other improvements of a capital nature and to which the council or board has specifically pledged tax levies under this clause.

The property tax levied by the regional transit board for general purposes under clause (a) must not exceed the following amount for the years specified:

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(1) for taxes payable in 1988, the product of two mills multiplied by the total assessed valuation of all taxable property located within the metropolitan transit taxing district as adjusted by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 272.64; 273.13, subdivision 7a; and 275.49;

(2) for taxes payable in 1989, the product of (i) the regional transit board's property tax levy limitation for general purposes for the taxes payable year 1988 determined under clause (1) multiplied by (ii) an index for market valuation changes equal to the assessment year 1988 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the metropolitan transit taxing district divided by the assessment year 1987 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the metropolitan transit taxing district; and

(3) for taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years, the product of (i) the regional transit board's property tax levy limitation for general purposes for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (ii) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the metropolitan transit taxing district for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the metropolitan transit taxing district for the previous assessment year.

For the purpose of determining the regional transit board's property tax levy limitation for general purposes for the taxes payable year 1988 and subsequent years under this subdivision, "total market valuation" means the total market valuation of all taxable property within the metropolitan transit taxing district without valuation adjustments for fiscal disparities (chapter 473F), tax increment financing (sections 469.174 to 469.179), and high voltage transmission lines (section 273.425).

The county auditor shall reduce the tax levied pursuant to this subdivision on all property within statutory and home rule charter cities and towns that receive full-peak service and limited off-peak service by an amount equal to the tax levy that would be produced by applying a rate of ~~0.01209~~ 0.510 percent of ~~market value~~ net tax capacity on the property. The county auditor shall reduce the tax levied pursuant to this subdivision on all property within statutory and home rule charter cities and towns that receive limited peak service by an amount equal to the tax levy that would be produced by applying a rate of ~~0.01813~~ 0.765 percent of ~~market value~~ net tax capacity on the property. The amounts so computed by the county auditor shall be submitted to the commissioner of revenue as part of the abstracts of tax lists required to be filed with the commissioner under section 275.29. Any prior year adjustments shall also be certified in the abstracts of tax lists. The commissioner shall review the certifications to determine their accuracy and may make changes in the certification as necessary or return a certification to the county auditor for corrections. The commissioner shall pay to the regional transit board the amounts certified by the county auditors on the dates provided in section 273.1398. There is annually appropriated from the general fund in the state treasury to the department of revenue the amounts necessary to make these payments.

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For the purposes of this subdivision, "full-peak and limited off-peak service" means peak period regular route service, plus weekday midday regular route service at intervals longer than 60 minutes on the route with the greatest frequency; and "limited peak period service" means peak period regular route service only.

**Sec. 26. 1989 POPULATION AND NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS DATA USED IN 1992 AID CALCULATIONS.**

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for the calculation of payable 1992 homestead and agricultural credit aid under Minnesota Statutes, section 273.1398, the 1989 population and number of households figure for governmental subdivisions not having annual estimates prepared by the metropolitan council is equal to the local unit's 1988 population or number of households figure as prepared by the state demographer, plus one-half the increase or minus one-half the decrease when compared to the corresponding figures according to the 1990 federal census.

**Sec. 27. INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR.**

In the next edition of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall delete the first note after section 273.1398. The amendment to Minnesota Statutes, section 273.1398, subdivision 1, paragraph (j), made by Laws 1990, chapter 480, article 7, section 9, is of no effect.

**Sec. 28. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 278.01, subdivision 2, is repealed.

**Sec. 29. EFFECTIVE DATES.**

Sections 1, 12, 14, 15, and 26 to 28 are effective the day following final enactment. Sections 2 and 25 are effective for taxes levied in 1989, payable in 1990, and thereafter, and for aids and credits payable in 1990 and thereafter. Sections 3, 4 to 7, and 13 are effective for taxes levied in 1992, payable in 1993, and thereafter. Section 8 is effective for aids payable after June 30, 1992. Section 9 is effective for school year 1992-1993 and for homestead and agricultural credit aid and local government aids for taxes payable in 1992, and thereafter. Sections 10 and 11 are effective for aids payable in 1992 and thereafter. Sections 16 to 18 are effective for taxes becoming delinquent after December 31, 1991. Section 19 is effective for costs incurred after June 30, 1992. Section 20 is effective July 1, 1982, and thereafter. Section 21 is effective June 1, 1990, and thereafter, provided further that no refunds of overpayments and no collection of underpayments will be made for fees paid prior to June 1, 1990. Section 22 is effective for abatements granted in 1992 and thereafter. Section 23 is effective for supplementary amortization state aid payable after June 30, 1991. Section 24 is effective for new tax increment financing districts for which the certification request is, or has been, filed with the county auditor after May 1, 1988, but does not apply to amendments adding geographic area to an existing district.

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## ARTICLE 5

## LEVY LIMIT REPEAL

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 4A.02, is amended to read:

**4A.02 STATE DEMOGRAPHER.**

The director shall appoint a state demographer. The demographer must be professionally competent in demography and must possess demonstrated ability based upon past performance. The demographer shall:

- (1) continuously gather and develop demographic data relevant to the state;
- (2) design and test methods of research and data collection;
- (3) periodically prepare population projections for the state and designated regions and periodically prepare projections for each county or other political subdivision of the state as necessary to carry out the purposes of this section;
- (4) review, comment on, and prepare analysis of population estimates and projections made by state agencies, political subdivisions, other states, federal agencies, or nongovernmental persons, institutions, or commissions;
- (5) serve as the state liaison with the federal Bureau of the Census, coordinate state and federal demographic activities to the fullest extent possible, and aid the legislature in preparing a census data plan and form for each decennial census;
- (6) compile an annual study of population estimates on the basis of county, regional, or other political or geographical subdivisions as necessary to carry out the purposes of this section and section 4A.03;
- (7) by January 1 of each year, issue a report to the legislature containing an analysis of the demographic implications of the annual population study and population projections;
- (8) prepare maps for all counties in the state, all municipalities with a population of 10,000 or more, and other municipalities as needed for census purposes, according to scale and detail recommended by the federal Bureau of the Census, with the maps of cities showing precinct boundaries; and
- (9) prepare an estimate of population and of the number of households for each governmental subdivision for which the metropolitan council does not prepare an annual estimate, and convey the estimates to the governing body of each political subdivision by May 1 of each year; and
- (10) ~~prepare an estimate of population and number of households for an area annexed by a governmental subdivision subject to levy limits under sec-~~

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tions 275.50 to 275.56 if a municipal board order under section 414.01, subdivision 14, exists for the annexation and if the population of the annexed area is equal to at least 50 people or at least ten percent of the population of a governmental subdivision or unorganized territory that is losing area by the annexation.

An estimate under clause (10) must be an estimate of the population as of the date, within 12 months after the annexation occurs, for which a population estimate for the governmental subdivision is made either by the state demographer under clause (9) or by the metropolitan council.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.241, is amended to read:

**103B.241 LEVY.**

A levy to pay the increased costs to a local government unit or watershed management organization of implementing sections 103B.231 and 103B.235 or to pay costs of improvements and maintenance of improvements identified in an approved and adopted plan shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized by law. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in chapter 103D, a watershed district may levy a tax sufficient to pay the increased costs to the district of implementing sections 103B.231 and 103B.235. The proceeds of any tax levied under this section shall be deposited in a separate fund and expended only for the purposes authorized by this section. Watershed management organizations and local government units may accumulate the proceeds of levies as an alternative to issuing bonds to finance improvements. ~~The amount authorized under this section and levied by a governmental subdivision is not exempt from sections 275.50 to 275.56.~~

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.335, is amended to read:

**103B.335 TAX; EXEMPTION FROM PER CAPITA LEVY LIMIT LEVY AUTHORITY.**

The governing body of any county, municipality, or township may levy a tax in an amount required to implement sections 103B.301 to 103B.355. ~~The amount of the levy up to 0.01813 percent of taxable market value is exempt from the per capita levy limit under section 275.11.~~

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103F.221, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. COMMISSIONER'S COST OF ADOPTING ORDINANCES.** The costs incurred by the commissioner in adopting the ordinances or rules for the municipality must be paid by the municipality and collected from the municipality in the same manner as costs are paid by a county and collected from a county under section 103F.215, subdivision 4. ~~The tax levied to pay the costs may be levied in excess of the per capita levy limitation imposed under section 275.11.~~

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Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 174.27, is amended to read:

**174.27 PUBLIC EMPLOYER COMMUTER VAN PROGRAMS.**

Any statutory or home rule charter city, county, school district, independent board or agency may acquire or lease commuter vans, enter into contracts with another public or private employer to acquire or lease such vans, or purchase such a service for the use of its employees. The governing body of any such city, county, or school district may by resolution establish a commuter van revolving fund to be used to acquire or lease commuter vans for the use of its employees. Any payments out of the fund shall be repaid to the fund out of revenues derived from the use by the employees of the city, county, or school district, of the vans so purchased or leased. For the purpose of establishing the fund any city, county, or school district is authorized to make a one time levy not to exceed 0.00242 percent of taxable market value in excess of all taxing limitations ~~except the limitations imposed under sections 275.50 to 275.56~~, without affecting the amount or rate of taxes which may be levied by the city, county, or school district for other purposes or by any local governments in the area. Any city, county, or school district which establishes a commuter van acquisition program or contracts for this service is authorized to levy a tax not to exceed 0.00024 percent of taxable market value for the purpose of paying the administrative and promotional costs of the program which levy shall be in excess of all taxing limitations ~~except the limitations imposed under sections 275.50 to 275.56~~. The governing body of any city, county, or school district may by resolution terminate the commuter van revolving fund and use the funds for other purposes authorized by law.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 256E.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **ADDITIONAL DUTIES.** The commissioner shall also:

(a) Provide necessary forms and instructions to the counties for plan format and information;

(b) To the extent possible, coordinate other categorical social services grant applications and plans required of counties so that the applications and plans are included in and are consistent with the timetable and other requirements for the community social services plan in subdivision 2 and section 256E.09;

(c) Provide to the chair of each county board, in addition to notice required pursuant to sections 14.05 to 14.36, timely advance notice and a written summary of the fiscal impact of any proposed new rule or changes in existing rule which will have the effect of increasing county costs for community social services;

(d) Provide training, technical assistance, and other support services to county boards to assist in needs assessment, planning, implementing, and monitoring social services programs in the counties;

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(e) Design and implement a method of monitoring and evaluating social services, including site visits that utilize quality control audits to assure county compliance with applicable standards, guidelines, and the county and state social services plans;

(f) Design and implement a system that uses corrective action procedures as established in subdivision 5 and a schedule of fines to ensure county compliance with statutes, rules, federal laws, and federal regulations governing community social services. In determining the amount of the fine, the commissioner may consider the number of community social services clients or applicants affected by the county's failure to comply with the law or rule, the severity of the non-compliance, the duration of the noncompliance, the resources allocated for the provision of the service in the community social services plan approved under section 256E.09, and the amount the county is levying for social services and income maintenance programs as reported under section ~~275.50~~ 275.62, subdivision § 1, clause (2). Fines levied against a county under this subdivision must not exceed ten percent of the county's community social services allocation for the year in which the fines are levied;

(g) Design and implement an incentive program for the benefit of counties that perform at a level that consistently meets or exceeds the minimum standards in law and rule. Fines collected under paragraph (e) may be placed in an incentive fund and used for the benefit of counties that meet and exceed the minimum standards;

(h) Specify requirements for reports, including fiscal reports, according to section 256.01, subdivision 2, paragraph (17), to account for aids distributed under section 256E.06, funds from Title XX of the Social Security Act distributed under Minnesota Statutes, section 256E.07, claims under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, mental health funding, and other social services expenditures and activities; and

(i) Request waivers from federal programs as necessary to implement sections 256E.01 to 256E.12.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 256E.09, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **PLAN AMENDMENT.** After providing opportunity for public comment, the county may amend its plan. After approval of the amendment by the county board, the county shall submit to the commissioner its amendment and a statement signed by the county board or its designee that the county is in compliance with specified Minnesota Statutes. When certifying the amendment according to section 256E.05, subdivision 2, the commissioner shall consider: (1) the effect of the proposed amendment on efforts to prevent inappropriate or facilitate appropriate residential placements; and

(2) the resources allocated for the provision of services in the community social services plan approved under section 256E.09, and the amount the county

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is levying for social services and income maintenance programs as reported under section ~~275.50~~ 275.62, subdivision ~~5~~ 1, clause (2).

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.065, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

**Subd. 6. PUBLIC HEARING; ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND LEVY.** Between November 15 and December 20, the governing bodies of the city and county shall each hold a public hearing to adopt its final budget and property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year, and the governing body of the school district shall hold a public hearing to review its current budget and adopt its property tax levy for taxes payable in the following year.

At the hearing, the taxing authority, other than a school district, may amend the proposed budget and property tax levy and must adopt a final budget and property tax levy, and the school district may amend the proposed property tax levy and must adopt a final property tax levy.

The property tax levy certified under section 275.07 by a city, county, or school district must not exceed the proposed levy determined under subdivision 1, except by an amount up to the sum of the following amounts:

(1) the amount of a school district levy whose voters approved a referendum to increase taxes under section 124.82, subdivision 3, 124A.03, subdivision 2, or 124B.03, subdivision 2, after the proposed levy was certified;

(2) the amount of a city or county levy approved by the voters ~~under section 275.58~~ after the proposed levy was certified;

(3) the amount of a levy to pay principal and interest on bonds issued or approved by the voters under section 475.58 after the proposed levy was certified;

(4) the amount of a levy to pay costs due to a natural disaster occurring after the proposed levy was certified, if that amount is approved by the commissioner of revenue under subdivision 6a;

(5) the amount of a levy to pay tort judgments against a taxing authority that become final after the proposed levy was certified, if the amount is approved by the commissioner of revenue under subdivision 6a; and

(6) the amount of an increase in levy limits certified to the taxing authority by the commissioner of revenue or the commissioner of education after the proposed levy was certified; ~~and~~

~~(7) if not included in the certified levy, any additional amount levied pursuant to section 275.51, subdivision 7, paragraph (b).~~

At the hearing the percentage increase in property taxes proposed by the taxing authority, if any, and the specific purposes for which property tax reve-

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nues are being increased must be discussed. During the discussion, the governing body shall hear comments regarding a proposed increase and explain the reasons for the proposed increase. The public shall be allowed to speak and to ask questions prior to adoption of any measures by the governing body. The governing body, other than the governing body of a school district, shall adopt its final property tax levy prior to adopting its final budget.

If the hearing is not completed on its scheduled date, the taxing authority must announce, prior to adjournment of the hearing, the date, time, and place for the continuation of the hearing. The continued hearing must be held at least five business days but no more than 14 business days after the original hearing.

The hearing must be held after 5:00 p.m. if scheduled on a day other than Saturday. No hearing may be held on a Sunday. The county auditor shall provide for the coordination of hearing dates for all taxing authorities within the county.

By August 1, the county auditor shall notify the clerk of each school district within the county of the dates that the county board has designated for its hearing and any continuation under subdivision 3. By August 15, each school board shall certify to the county auditors of the counties in which the school district is located the dates on which it elects to hold its hearings and any continuations under subdivision 3. If a school board does not certify the dates by August 15, the auditor will assign the hearing date. The dates elected or assigned must not conflict with the county hearing dates. By August 20, the county auditor shall notify the clerks of the cities within the county of the dates on which the county and school districts have elected to hold their hearings. At the time a city certifies its proposed levy under subdivision 1 it shall certify the dates on which it elects to hold its hearings and any continuations under subdivision 3. The city must not select dates that conflict with those elected by or assigned to the counties and school districts in which the city is located.

The hearing dates so elected or assigned must be designated on the notices required under subdivision 3.

This subdivision does not apply to towns and special taxing districts.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.125, subdivision 6j, is amended to read:

Subd. 6j. **LEVY FOR CRIME RELATED COSTS.** For taxes levied in 1991, payable in 1992 only, each school district may make a levy on all taxable property located within the school district for the purposes specified in this subdivision. The maximum amount which may be levied for all costs under this subdivision shall be equal to \$1 multiplied by the population of the school district. For purposes of this subdivision, "population" of the school district means the same as contained in section 275.14. The proceeds of the levy must be used for reimbursing the cities and counties who contract with the school district for the following purposes: (1) to pay the costs incurred for the salaries, benefits,

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and transportation costs of peace officers and sheriffs for liaison services in the district's middle and secondary schools, (2) to teach drug abuse resistance education curricula in the elementary schools, and (3) to pay the costs incurred for the salaries and benefits of peace officers and sheriffs whose primary responsibilities are to investigate controlled substance crimes under chapter 152. The school district must initially attempt to contract for these services with the police department of each city or the sheriff's department of the county within the school district containing the school receiving the services. If a local police department or a county sheriff's department does not wish to provide the necessary services, the district may contract for these services with any other police or sheriff's department located entirely or partially within the school district's boundaries. The levy authorized under this subdivision is not included in determining the school district's levy limitations and ~~must be disregarded in computing any overall levy limitations under sections 275.50 to 275.56 of the participating cities or counties.~~

**Sec. 10. [275.62] TAX LEVIES; REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.**

Subdivision 1. REPORT ON TAXES LEVIED. The commissioner of revenue shall establish procedures for the annual reporting of local government levies. Each local governmental unit shall submit a report to the commissioner by December 30 of the year in which the tax is levied. The report shall include, but is not limited to, information on the amount of the tax levied by the governmental unit for the following purposes:

(1) debt, which includes taxes levied for the purposes defined in Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.50, subdivision 5, clauses (b), (c), (d), and (e);

(2) social services and related programs, which include taxes levied for the purposes defined in Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.50, subdivision 5, clauses (a), (j), and (v);

(3) libraries, which include taxes levied for the purposes defined in Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 275.50, subdivision 5, clause (n); and

(4) other levies, which include the taxes levied for all purposes not included in clause (1), (2), or (3).

Subd. 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS REQUIRED TO REPORT. For purposes of this section, "local governmental unit" means a county, home rule charter or statutory city with a population greater than 2,500, a town with a population greater than 5,000, or a home rule charter or statutory city or town that receives a distribution from the taconite municipal aid account in the levy year.

Subd. 3. POPULATION ESTIMATE. For the purposes of this section, the population of a local governmental unit shall be that established by the last fed-

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eral census, by a census taken under section 275.14, or by an estimate made by the metropolitan council or by the state demographer made under section 116K.04, subdivision 4, whichever is the most recent as to the stated date of count or estimate for the calendar year preceding the current levy year.

Subd. 4. PENALTY FOR LATE REPORTING. If a local government unit fails to submit the report required in subdivision 1 by January 30 of the year after the year in which the tax was levied, aid payments to the local governmental unit in the year after the year in which the tax was levied shall be reduced as follows:

(1) for a county, the aid amount under section 256E.06 shall be reduced by five percent; and

(2) for other local governmental units, the aid certified to be received under sections 477A.011 to 477A.014 shall be reduced by five percent.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 383B.152, is amended to read:

**383B.152 BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND.**

The county board may by resolution levy a tax to provide money which shall be kept in a fund known as the county reserve building and maintenance fund. Money in the fund shall be used solely for the construction, maintenance, and equipping of county buildings that are constructed or maintained by the board. The levy shall not be subject to any limit fixed by any other law ~~except the limitations imposed in sections 275.50 to 275.56~~ or by any board of tax levy or other corresponding body, but shall not exceed 0.02215 percent of taxable market value, less the amount required by chapter 475 to be levied in the year for the payment of the principal of and interest on all bonds issued pursuant to Extra Session Laws 1967, chapter 47, section 1.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 398A.06, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **LOANS AND DONATIONS.** The municipality may lend or donate money to the authority and may levy taxes, appropriate money, and issue bonds for that purpose in the manner and within the limitations prescribed by law, including but not limited to ~~chapters 275 and~~ chapter 475.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.107, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **REVERSE REFERENDUM.** A city may increase its levy for economic development authority purposes under subdivision 1 in the following way. Its city council must first pass a resolution stating the proposed amount of levy increase. The city must then publish the resolution together with a notice of public hearing on the resolution for two successive weeks in its official newspaper or if none exists in a newspaper of general circulation in the city. The hearing must be held two to four weeks after the first publication. After the hearing,

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the city council may decide to take no action or may adopt a resolution authorizing the proposed increase or a lesser increase. A resolution authorizing an increase must be published in the city's official newspaper or if none exists in a newspaper of general circulation in the city. The resolution is not effective if a petition requesting a referendum on the resolution is filed with the city clerk within 30 days of publication of the resolution. The petition must be signed by voters equaling five percent of the votes cast in the city in the last general election. The election must be held ~~pursuant to the procedure specified in section 275.58~~ at a general or special election. Notice of the election must be given in the manner required by law. The notice must state the purpose and amount of the levy.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 471.571, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **CREATION OF FUND, TAX LEVY.** The governing body of the city may create a permanent improvement and replacement fund to be maintained by an annual tax levy. The governing body may levy a tax in excess of any charter limitation ~~and in excess of the per capita limitation imposed under section 275.11~~ for the support of the permanent improvement and replacement fund, but not exceeding the following:

(a) In cities having a population of not more than 500 inhabitants, the lesser of \$20 per capita or 0.08059 percent of taxable market value;

(b) In cities having a population of more than 500 and less than 2500, the greater of \$12.50 per capita or \$10,000 but not exceeding 0.08059 percent of taxable market value;

(c) In cities having a population of more than 2500 inhabitants, the greater of \$10 per capita or \$31,500 but not exceeding 0.08059 percent of taxable market value.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.711, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. The metropolitan mosquito control commission shall prepare an annual budget. The budget may provide for expenditures in an amount not exceeding the property tax levy limitation determined in this subdivision. The commission may levy a tax on all taxable property in the district as defined in section 473.702 to provide funds for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716. The tax shall not exceed the property tax levy limitation determined in this subdivision. A participating county may agree to levy an additional tax to be used by the commission for the purposes of sections 473.701 to 473.716 but the sum of the county's and commission's taxes may not exceed the county's proportionate share of the property tax levy limitation determined under this subdivision based on the ratio of its total net tax capacity to the total net tax capacity of the entire district as adjusted by section 270.12, subdivision 3. The auditor of each county in the district shall add the amount of the levy made by

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the district to other taxes of the county for collection by the county treasurer with other taxes. When collected, the county treasurer shall make settlement of the tax with the district in the same manner as other taxes are distributed to political subdivisions. No county shall levy any tax for mosquito, disease vectoring tick, and black gnat (*Simuliidae*) control except under sections 473.701 to 473.716. The levy shall be in addition to other taxes authorized by law ~~and shall be disregarded in the calculation of limits on taxes imposed by chapter 275.~~

The property tax levied by the metropolitan mosquito control commission shall not exceed the following amount for the years specified:

(a) for taxes payable in 1988, the product of six-tenths on one mill multiplied by the total assessed valuation of all taxable property located within the district as adjusted by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1986, sections 272.64; 273.13, subdivision 7a; and 275.49;

(b) for taxes payable in 1989, the product of (1) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 determined under clause (a) multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the assessment year 1988 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district divided by the assessment year 1987 total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district; and

(c) for taxes payable in 1990 and subsequent years, the product of (1) the commission's property tax levy limitation for the previous year determined under this subdivision multiplied by (2) an index for market valuation changes equal to the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the current assessment year divided by the total market valuation of all taxable property located within the district for the previous assessment year.

For the purpose of determining the commission's property tax levy limitation for the taxes payable year 1988 and subsequent years under this subdivision, "total market valuation" means the total market valuation of all taxable property within the district without valuation adjustments for fiscal disparities (chapter 473F), tax increment financing (sections 469.174 to 469.179), and high voltage transmission lines (section 273.425).

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.011, subdivision 27, is amended to read:

Subd. 27. **REVENUE BASE.** "Revenue base" means the amount levied for taxes payable in the previous year, including the levy on the fiscal disparity distribution under section 473F.08, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), and before reduction for the homestead and agricultural credit aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 2, equalization aid under section 477A.013, subdivision 5, and disparity reduction aid under section 273.1398, subdivision 3; plus the originally certified local government aid in the previous year under sections 477A.011, 477A.012, and 477A.013, except for 477A.013, subdivision 5; and the estimated taconite aids used to determine levy limits for taxes payable received in the previous year under ~~section 275.51, subdivision 2~~ sections 298.28 and 298.282.

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Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 477A.011, subdivision 29, is amended to read:

Subd. 29. **ADJUSTED REVENUE BASE.** "Adjusted revenue base" means revenue base as defined in subdivision 27 less the ~~special~~ special levy reported under section ~~275.50~~ 275.62, subdivision 5 1, clause ~~(a)~~ (2).

Sec. 18. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 134.342, subdivisions 2 and 4, are repealed.

Sec. 19. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 18 are effective for taxes levied in 1992, payable in 1993, and thereafter.

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## ARTICLE 6

### INCOME, FRANCHISE, GROSS PREMIUMS TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 60A.15, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN COMPANIES.** (a) On or before April ~~15~~ 1, June ~~15~~ 1, and December ~~15~~ 1 of each year, every domestic and foreign company, including town and farmers' mutual insurance companies ~~and~~, domestic mutual insurance companies, and marine insurance companies, shall pay to the commissioner of revenue installments equal to one-third of the insurer's total estimated tax for the current year. Except as provided in paragraph (b), installments must be based on a sum equal to two percent of the premiums described in paragraph (c).

(b) For town and farmers' mutual insurance companies and mutual property and casualty insurance companies other than those (i) writing life insurance, or (ii) whose total assets on December 31, 1989, exceeded \$1,600,000,000, the installments must be based on an amount equal to the following percentages of the premiums described in paragraph (c):

(1) for premiums paid after December 31, 1988, and before January 1, 1992, one percent; and

(2) for premiums paid after December 31, 1991, one-half of one percent.

(c) Installments under paragraph (a) or (b) are percentages of gross premiums less return premiums on all direct business received by the insurer in this state, or by its agents for it, in cash or otherwise, during such year; ~~excepting premiums written for marine insurance as specified in subdivision 6.~~

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(d) Failure of a company to make payments of at least one-third of either (1) the total tax paid during the previous calendar year or (2) 80 percent of the actual tax for the current calendar year shall subject the company to the penalty and interest provided in this section, unless the total tax for the current tax year is \$500 or less.

**Sec. 2. [60A.152] INSURANCE PREMIUM TAX EQUIVALENT PAYMENT BY AUTOMOBILE RISK SELF-INSURERS.**

Subdivision 1. DEFINITIONS. (a) APPLICATION. For purposes of this section, the definitions in paragraphs (b) to (f) apply.

(b) AUTOMOBILE RISKS. "Automobile risks" means the risk of providing no-fault insurance under sections 65B.41 to 65B.71.

(c) MOTOR VEHICLE. "Motor vehicle" has the meaning given in section 65B.43, subdivision 2.

(d) PERSON. "Person" means an owner, as defined in section 65B.43, subdivision 4, but does not include the state or a political subdivision as defined in section 65B.43, subdivision 20.

(e) SELF-INSURANCE. "Self-insurance" means the condition of qualifying as a self-insurer by complying with section 65B.48, subdivisions 3 and 3a.

(f) SELF-INSURER. "Self-insurer" means a person who has arranged self-insurance for the automobile risks associated with the person's motor vehicle.

Subd. 2. PREMIUM TAX AMOUNT. Every self-insurer who owns, leases, or operates a motor vehicle required to be registered or licensed in this state or principally garaged in this state for at least two months in the applicable calendar year shall pay an annual amount for each vehicle of:

(1) \$15 for a private passenger vehicle as defined in section 65B.001, subdivision 3, or a utility vehicle as defined in section 65B.001, subdivision 4, not including a taxi; or

(2) \$25 for a taxi or any other self-insured vehicle not covered by clause (1).

The amount required under this subdivision is payable no later than July 1, annually, to the commissioner of revenue. A late payment penalty of \$10 a vehicle is assessed if the amount is not paid on or before July 1, and an additional amount equal to the original payment amount if the total amount is not paid until after December 1 of the same year. A self-insurer who is more than six months delinquent in paying the amount due must be referred to the commissioner of commerce for action, which may include revocation of the self-insured's self-insurer status.

Subd. 3. DEPOSIT OF PAYMENT AMOUNT. The amounts paid under subdivision 2 must be deposited in the general fund to the credit of the account

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from which the police state aid provided for in sections 69.011 to 69.051 is payable.

Subd. 4. RULES AUTHORIZED. The commissioner of revenue and the commissioner of commerce are authorized to make rules to permit the administration of this section.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5a. MODIFICATION TO INDIVIDUAL ESTIMATED TAX REQUIREMENTS. (a) If an individual meets the requirements of section 6654(d)(1)(C) to (F), of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount of the required installments under subdivision 5 must be computed as provided in this subdivision. In determining the amount of the required installment, the following requirement is substituted for subdivision 5, clauses (2) and (3): "(2) the greater of (i) 100 percent of the tax shown on the return of the individual for the preceding taxable year, or (ii) 90 percent of the tax shown on the return for the current year, determined by taking into account the adjustments under section 6654(d)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code."

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply for purposes of determining the amount of the first required installment in any taxable year under subdivision 3, paragraph (b). A reduction in an installment under this paragraph must be recaptured by increasing the amount of the first succeeding required installment by the amount of the reduction, unless the individual meets the requirements of paragraph (c).

(c) This subdivision does not apply to any required installment if the individual qualifies for an annualization exception as computed under section 6654(d)(1)(C)(iv) of the Internal Revenue Code. A reduction in an installment under this paragraph must be recaptured by increasing the amount of the first succeeding required installment (with respect to which the requirements of section 6654(d)(1)(C)(iv) are not met) by the amount of the reduction.

(d) All references to the Internal Revenue Code in this section are to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991. For purposes of meeting the requirements of or making adjustments under section 6654 of the Internal Revenue Code in this subdivision:

(1) for an individual who is not a Minnesota resident for the entire year, the terms "adjusted gross income" and "modified adjusted gross income" mean the Minnesota share of that income apportioned to Minnesota under section 290.06, subdivision 2c, paragraph (e); and

(2) "tax" means the sum of the taxes imposed by chapter 290 for a taxable year.

(e) This subdivision does not apply to individuals who compute and pay estimated taxes under subdivision 10.

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(f) This subdivision does not apply to any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1996.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.26, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **MINIMUM LIABILITY.** A corporation, partnership, or trust subject to taxation under chapter 290 (excluding section 290.92) or an entity subject to taxation under section 290.05, subdivision 3, must make payment of estimated tax for the taxable year if its tax liability so computed can reasonably be expected to exceed \$500, or in accordance with rules prescribed by the commissioner for an affiliated group of corporations electing to file one return as permitted under section 289A.08, subdivision 3.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.26, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **SHORT TAXABLE YEAR.** (a) ~~A corporation~~ An entity with a short taxable year of less than 12 months, but at least four months, must pay estimated tax in equal installments on or before the 15th day of the third, sixth, ninth, and final month of the short taxable year, to the extent applicable based on the number of months in the short taxable year.

(b) ~~A corporation~~ An entity is not required to make estimated tax payments for a short taxable year unless its tax liability before the first day of the last month of the taxable year can reasonably be expected to exceed \$500.

(c) No payment is required for a short taxable year of less than four months.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.26, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **UNDERPAYMENT OF ESTIMATED TAX.** If there is an underpayment of estimated tax by a corporation, partnership, or trust, there shall be added to the tax for the taxable year an amount determined at the rate in section 270.75 on the amount of the underpayment, determined under subdivision 5, for the period of the underpayment determined under subdivision 6. This subdivision does not apply in the first taxable year that a corporation is subject to the tax imposed under section 290.02.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.26, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **PERIOD OF UNDERPAYMENT.** The period of the underpayment runs from the date the installment was required to be paid to the earlier of the following dates:

(1) the 15th day of the third month following the close of the taxable year for corporations, the 15th day of the fourth month following the close of the taxable year for partnerships or trusts, and the 15th day of the fifth month follow-

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ing the close of the taxable year for entities subject to tax under section 290.05, subdivision 3; or

(2) with respect to any part of the underpayment, the date on which that part is paid. For purposes of this clause, a payment of estimated tax shall be credited against unpaid required installments in the order in which those installments are required to be paid.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.26, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **REQUIRED INSTALLMENTS.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the amount of a required installment is 25 percent of the required annual payment.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the term "required annual payment" means the lesser of:

(1) ~~90~~ (i) for tax years beginning in calendar year 1992, 93 percent of the tax shown on the return for the taxable year, or if no return is filed, ~~90~~ 93 percent of the tax for that year; ~~or~~

(ii) for tax years beginning after December 31, 1992, 95 percent of the tax shown on the return for the taxable year, or if no return is filed 95 percent of the tax for that year; or

(2) 100 percent of the tax shown on the return of the ~~corporation~~ entity for the preceding taxable year provided the return was for a full 12-month period, showed a liability, and was filed by the ~~corporation~~ entity.

(c) Except for determining the first required installment for any taxable year, paragraph (b), clause (2), does not apply in the case of a large corporation. The term "large corporation" means a corporation or any predecessor corporation that had taxable net income of \$1,000,000 or more for any taxable year during the testing period. The term "testing period" means the three taxable years immediately preceding the taxable year involved. A reduction allowed to a large corporation for the first installment that is allowed by applying paragraph (b), clause (2), must be recaptured by increasing the next required installment by the amount of the reduction.

(d) In the case of a required installment, if the corporation establishes that the annualized income installment is less than the amount determined in paragraph (a), the amount of the required installment is the annualized income installment and the recapture of previous quarters' reductions allowed by this paragraph must be recovered by increasing later required installments to the extent the reductions have not previously been recovered.

(e) The "annualized income installment" is the excess, if any, of:

(1) an amount equal to the applicable percentage of the tax for the taxable year computed by placing on an annualized basis the taxable income:

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(i) for the first two months of the taxable year, in the case of the first required installment;

(ii) for the first two months or for the first five months of the taxable year, in the case of the second required installment;

(iii) for the first six months or for the first eight months of the taxable year, in the case of the third required installment; and

(iv) for the first nine months or for the first 11 months of the taxable year, in the case of the fourth required installment, over

(2) the aggregate amount of any prior required installments for the taxable year.

(3) For the purpose of this paragraph, the annualized income shall be computed by placing on an annualized basis the taxable income for the year up to the end of the month preceding the due date for the quarterly payment multiplied by 12 and dividing the resulting amount by the number of months in the taxable year (2, 5, 6, 8, 9, or 11 as the case may be) referred to in clause (1).

(4) The "applicable percentage" used in clause (1) is:

For the following required installments:

The applicable percentage is:

	<u>for tax years</u> <u>beginning in</u> <u>1992</u>	<u>for tax years</u> <u>beginning after</u> <u>December 31, 1992</u>
1st	<del>22.5</del> <u>23.25</u>	<u>23.75</u>
2nd	<del>45</del> <u>46.5</u>	<u>47.5</u>
3rd	<del>67.5</del> <u>69.75</u>	<u>71.25</u>
4th	<del>90</del> <u>93</u>	<u>95</u>

(f)(1) If this paragraph applies, the amount determined for any installment must be determined in the following manner:

(i) take the taxable income for the months during the taxable year preceding the filing month;

(ii) divide that amount by the base period percentage for the months during the taxable year preceding the filing month;

(iii) determine the tax on the amount determined under item (ii); and

(iv) multiply the tax computed under item (iii) by the base period percentage for the filing month and the months during the taxable year preceding the filing month.

(2) For purposes of this paragraph:

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(i) the "base period percentage" for a period of months is the average percent that the taxable income for the corresponding months in each of the three preceding taxable years bears to the taxable income for the three preceding taxable years;

(ii) the term "filing month" means the month in which the installment is required to be paid;

(iii) this paragraph only applies if the base period percentage for any six consecutive months of the taxable year equals or exceeds 70 percent; and

(iv) the commissioner may provide by rule for the determination of the base period percentage in the case of reorganizations, new corporations, and other similar circumstances.

(3) In the case of a required installment determined under this paragraph, if the ~~corporation~~ entity determines that the installment is less than the amount determined in paragraph (a), the amount of the required installment is the amount determined under this paragraph and the recapture of previous quarters' reductions allowed by this paragraph must be recovered by increasing later required installments to the extent the reductions have not previously been recovered.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.26, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **FAILURE TO FILE AN ESTIMATE.** In the case of a ~~corporation~~ an entity that fails to file an estimated tax for a taxable year when one is required, the period of the underpayment runs from the four installment dates in subdivision 2 or 3, whichever applies, to the earlier of the periods in subdivision 6, clauses (1) and (2).

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.37, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **ORDER OF ASSESSMENT; NOTICE AND DEMAND TO TAXPAYER.** (a) When a return has been filed and the commissioner determines that the tax disclosed by the return is different than the tax determined by the examination, the commissioner shall send an order of assessment to the taxpayer. When no return has been filed, the commissioner may make a return for the taxpayer under section 289A.35 or may send an order of assessment under this subdivision. The order must explain the basis for the assessment and must explain the taxpayer's appeal rights. An order of assessment is final when made but may be reconsidered by the commissioner under section 289A.65.

(b) ~~An~~ The penalty under section 289A.60, subdivision 1, is not imposed if the amount of unpaid tax shown on the order must be is paid to the commissioner: (1) within 60 days after notice of the amount and demand for its payment have been mailed to the taxpayer by the commissioner; or (2) if an administrative appeal is filed under section 289A.65 or a tax court appeal is

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filed under chapter 271, within 60 days following ~~the~~ final determination of the appeal.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.01, subdivision 19, is amended to read:

Subd. 19. **NET INCOME.** The term "net income" means the federal taxable income, as defined in section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through the date named in this subdivision, incorporating any elections made by the taxpayer in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code in determining federal taxable income for federal income tax purposes, and with the modifications provided in subdivisions 19a to 19f.

In the case of a regulated investment company or a fund thereof, as defined in section 851(a) or 851(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, federal taxable income means investment company taxable income as defined in section 852(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that:

(1) the exclusion of net capital gain provided in section 852(b)(2)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply; and

(2) the deduction for dividends paid under section 852(b)(2)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code must be applied by allowing a deduction for capital gain dividends and exempt-interest dividends as defined in sections 852(b)(3)(C) and 852(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The net income of a real estate investment trust as defined and limited by section 856(a), (b), and (c) of the Internal Revenue Code means the real estate investment trust taxable income as defined in section 857(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1986, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986. The provisions of sections 10104, 10202, 10203, 10204, 10206, 10212, 10221, 10222, 10223, 10226, 10227, 10228, 10611, 10631, 10632, and 10711 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987, Public Law Number 100-203, the provisions of sections 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1008, 1009, 1010, 1011, 1011A, 1011B, 1012, 1013, 1014, 1015, 1018, 2004, 3041, 4009, 6007, 6026, 6032, 6137, 6277, and 6282 of the Technical and Miscellaneous Revenue Act of 1988, Public Law Number 100-647, and the provisions of sections 7811, 7816, and 7831 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989, Public Law Number 101-239, shall be effective at the time they become effective for federal income tax purposes.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1987, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1987. The provisions of sections 4001, 4002, 4011, 5021, 5041, 5053, 5075, 6003, 6008, 6011, 6030, 6031, 6033, 6057, 6064, 6066, 6079, 6130, 6176, 6180, 6182, 6280, and 6281 of the Technical and Miscellaneous Revenue Act of 1988, Public Law

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Number 100-647, the provisions of sections 7815 and 7821 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989, Public Law Number 101-239, and the provisions of section 11702 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1990, Public Law Number 101-508, shall become effective at the time they become effective for federal tax purposes.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1988, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1988. The provisions of sections 7101, 7102, 7104, 7105, 7201, 7202, 7203, 7204, 7205, 7206, 7207, 7210, 7211, 7301, 7302, 7303, 7304, 7601, 7621, 7622, 7641, 7642, 7645, 7647, 7651, and 7652 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989, Public Law Number 101-239, the provision of section 1401 of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989, Public Law Number 101-73, and the provisions of sections 11701 and 11703 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1990, Public Law Number 101-508, shall become effective at the time they become effective for federal tax purposes.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1989, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989. The provisions of sections 11321, 11322, 11324, 11325, 11403, 11404, 11410, and 11521 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1990, Public Law Number 101-508, shall become effective at the time they become effective for federal purposes.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1990.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991, shall be in effect for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1991.

Except as otherwise provided, references to the Internal Revenue Code in subdivisions 19a to 19g mean the code in effect for purposes of determining net income for the applicable year.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.05, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. (a) An organization exempt from taxation under subdivision 2 shall, nevertheless, be subject to tax under this chapter to the extent provided in the following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code:

- (i) section 527 (dealing with political organizations);
- (ii) section 528 (dealing with certain homeowners associations);
- (iii) sections 511 to 515 (dealing with unrelated business income); and
- (iv) section 521 (dealing with farmers' cooperatives); but

notwithstanding this subdivision, shall be considered an organization exempt from income tax for the purposes of any law which refers to organizations exempt from income taxes.

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(b) The tax shall be imposed on the taxable income of political organizations or homeowner associations or the unrelated business taxable income, as defined in section 512 of the Internal Revenue Code, of organizations defined in section 511 of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that the tax is not imposed on:

(1) advertising revenues from a newspaper published by an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code; or

(2) revenues from lawful gambling authorized under chapter 349 that are expended for purposes that qualify for the deduction for charitable contributions under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991, disregarding the limitation under section 170(b)(2), but only to the extent the contributions are not deductible in computing federal taxable income.

The tax shall be at the corporate rates. The tax shall only be imposed on income and deductions assignable to this state under sections 290.17 to 290.20. To the extent deducted in computing federal taxable income, the deductions contained in section 290.21 shall not be allowed in computing Minnesota taxable net income.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.06, subdivision 23, is amended to read:

Subd. 23. **REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO POLITICAL PARTIES AND CANDIDATES.** (a) A taxpayer may claim a refund equal to the amount of the taxpayer's contributions made in the calendar year to candidates and to any political party. The maximum refund for an individual must not exceed \$50 and, for a married couple filing jointly, must not exceed \$100. A refund of a contribution is allowed only if the taxpayer files a form required by the commissioner and attaches to the form a copy of an official refund receipt form issued by the candidate or party and signed by the candidate, the treasurer of the candidate's principal campaign committee, or the party chair. A claim must be filed with the commissioner not sooner than ~~September~~ January 1 of the calendar year in which the contribution is made and no later than April 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the contribution is made. A taxpayer may file only one claim per calendar year. Amounts paid by the commissioner after June 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the contribution is made must include interest at the rate specified in section 270.76.

(b) No refund is allowed under this subdivision for a contribution to any candidate unless the candidate:

(1) has signed an agreement to limit campaign expenditures as provided in section 10A.322 or 10A.43;

(2) is seeking an office for which voluntary spending limits are specified in section 10A.25 or 10A.43; and

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(3) has designated a principal campaign committee.

This subdivision does not limit the campaign expenditure of a candidate who does not sign an agreement but accepts a contribution for which the contributor improperly claims a refund.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "political party" means a major political party as defined in section 200.02, subdivision 7, or a minor political party qualifying for inclusion on the income tax or property tax refund form under section 10A.31, subdivision 3a.

A "major or minor party" includes the aggregate of the party organization within each house of the legislature, the state party organization, and the party organization within congressional districts, counties, legislative districts, municipalities, and precincts.

"Candidate" means a congressional candidate as defined in section 10A.41, subdivision 4, or a candidate as defined in section 10A.01, subdivision 5, except a candidate for judicial office.

"Contribution" means a gift of money.

(d) The commissioner shall make copies of the form available to the public and candidates upon request.

(e) The following data collected or maintained by the commissioner under this subdivision are private: the identities of individuals claiming a refund, the identities of candidates to whom those individuals have made contributions, and the amount of each contribution.

(f) The amount necessary to pay claims for the refund provided in this section is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of revenue.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.0922, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **EXEMPTIONS.** The following entities are exempt from the tax imposed by this section:

(1) corporations exempt from tax under section 290.05 other than insurance companies exempt under subdivision 1, paragraph (d);

(2) real estate investment trusts;

(3) regulated investment companies or a fund thereof; and

(4) entities having a valid election in effect under section 860D(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1989; ~~and~~

(5) town and farmers' mutual insurance companies; and

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(6) cooperatives organized under chapter 308A that provide housing exclusively to persons age 55 and over and are classified as homesteads under section 273.124, subdivision 3.

Entities not specifically exempted by this subdivision are subject to tax under this section, notwithstanding section 290.05.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.9201, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

**Subd. 11. EXCEPTION FROM WITHHOLDING FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS.** The provisions of subdivisions 7 and 8 shall not be effective for compensation paid to nonresident public speakers before ~~January 1, 1992~~, if the compensation paid to the speaker is less than \$2,000 or is only a payment of the speaker's expenses.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.923, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 11. EXEMPTION FROM DEDUCTION AND WITHHOLDING.** A person or entity whose shares or certificates of beneficial interest are traded on the New York Stock Exchange or publicly traded on any recognized stock exchange and which issues 1099 or K1 forms to its shareholders or certificate holders and provides the 1099 or K1 information to the department of revenue, is exempt from deduction and withholding under this section.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299F.21, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. ESTIMATED INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS.** On or before April ~~15~~ 1, June ~~15~~ 1, and December ~~15~~ 1 of each year, every licensed insurance company, including reciprocals or interinsurance exchanges, doing business in the state, excepting farmers' mutual fire insurance companies and township mutual fire insurance companies, shall pay to the commissioner of revenue installments equal to one-third of, a tax upon its fire premiums or assessments or both, based on a sum equal to one-half of one percent of the estimated fire premiums and assessments, less return premiums and dividends, on all direct business received by it in this state, or by its agents for it, in cash or otherwise, during the year, including premiums on policies covering fire risks only on automobiles, whether written under floater form or otherwise. In the case of a mutual company or reciprocal exchange the dividends or savings paid or credited to members in this state shall be construed to be return premiums. The money so received into the state treasury shall be credited to the general fund. A company that fails to make payments of at least one-third of either (1) the total tax paid during the previous calendar year or (2) 80 percent of the actual tax for the current calendar year is subject to the penalty and interest provided in this chapter, unless the total tax for the current tax year is \$500 or less.

**Sec. 18. TRANSITION RELIEF FOR CHANGE IN CORPORATE ESTIMATED TAX.**

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For the purposes of computing the amount of underpayment of corporate estimated tax on installment payments due before June 1, 1992, 90 percent shall be substituted for 93 percent in Minnesota Statutes, section 289A.26, subdivision 7, paragraph (b), clause (1), and 22.5 percent shall be substituted for 23.25 percent in paragraph (e), clause (4), if there is not an underpayment of estimated tax for the second installment due in calendar year 1992.

**Sec. 19. INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR.**

In the next edition of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall substitute the phrase "Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991" for the words "Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990" or "Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through January 30, 1991" where either phrase occurs in chapters 289A, 290, 290A, and 291, except for section 290.01, subdivision 19.

**Sec. 20. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 60A.15, subdivision 6, is repealed.

**Sec. 21. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 and 20 are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1992, except that the date changes in section 1 are effective for payments due on or after December 1, 1992.

Section 2 is effective January 1, 1992.

Section 3 is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1992.

Sections 4 to 7, and 9 are effective for taxable years beginning after June 1, 1992.

Sections 8 and 18 are effective for estimated tax payments for tax years beginning after December 31, 1991, except that the amendments changing the words "corporation" to "entity" are effective for taxable years beginning after June 1, 1992.

Sections 10 and 15 are effective the day following final enactment.

Sections 12 and 14 are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1991.

Section 13 is effective for contributions made after the day of final enactment.

Section 16 is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

Section 17 is effective for payments due on or after December 31, 1992.

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## ARTICLE 7

## STATE TAXES: ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL

## Section 1. [13.701] TAX DATA; CLASSIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE.

Classification and disclosure of tax data created, collected, or maintained under chapters 290, 290A, 291, and 297A by the department of revenue is governed by chapter 270B.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 60A.19, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **RETALIATORY PROVISIONS.** (1) When by the laws of any other state or country any taxes, fines, deposits, penalties, licenses, or fees, other than assessments made by an insurance guaranty association or similar organization, in addition to or in excess of those imposed by the laws of this state upon foreign insurance companies and their agents doing business in this state, other than assessments ~~made pursuant to section 60C.06 by an insurance guaranty association or similar organization organized under the laws of this state,~~ are imposed on insurance companies of this state and their agents doing business in that state or country, or when any conditions precedent to the right to do business in that state are imposed by the laws thereof, beyond those imposed upon these foreign companies by the laws of this state, the same taxes, fines, deposits, penalties, licenses, fees, and conditions precedent shall be imposed upon every similar insurance company of that state or country and their agents doing or applying to do business in this state so long as these foreign laws remain in force. Special purpose obligations or assessments, or assessments imposed in connection with particular kinds of insurance, are not taxes, licenses, or fees as these terms are used in this section.

(2) In the event that a domestic insurance company, after complying with all reasonable laws and rulings of any other state or country, is refused permission by that state or country to transact business therein after the commissioner of commerce of Minnesota has determined that that company is solvent and properly managed and after the commissioner has so certified to the proper authority of that other state or country, then, and in every such case, the commissioner may forthwith suspend or cancel the certificate of authority of every insurance company organized under the laws of that other state or country to the extent that it insures, or seeks to insure, in this state against any of the risks or hazards which that domestic company seeks to insure against in that other state or country. Without limiting the application of the foregoing provision, it is hereby determined that any law or ruling of any other state or country which prescribes to a Minnesota domestic insurance company the premium rate or rates for life insurance issued or to be issued outside that other state or country shall not be reasonable.

(3) This section does not apply to insurance companies organized or domiciled in a state or country, the laws of which do not impose retaliatory taxes,

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finis, deposits, penalties, licenses, or fees or which grant, on a reciprocal basis, exemptions from retaliatory taxes, fines, deposits, penalties, licenses, or fees to insurance companies domiciled in this state.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 270A.04, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Any debt owed to a claimant agency ~~shall~~ must not be submitted by the agency for collection under the procedure established by sections 270A.01 to 270A.12 ~~unless if (a) an alternative means of collection is pending and the debtor is complying with the terms of alternative means of collection; except that this limitation does not apply to debts owed resulting from a default in payment of child support or maintenance~~ there is a written payment agreement between the debtor and the claimant agency in which revenue recapture is prohibited and the debtor is complying with the agreement, (b) the collection attempt would result in a loss of federal funds, or (c) the agency is unable to supply the department with the necessary identifying information required by subdivision 3 or rules promulgated by the commissioner, or (d) the debt is barred by section 541.05.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270A.05, is amended to read:

**270A.05 MINIMUM SUM COLLECTIBLE.**

The minimum sum which a claimant agency may collect through use of the setoff procedure is ~~\$25~~ \$15.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270A.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.** Any claimant agency, seeking collection of a debt through setoff against a refund due, shall submit to the commissioner information indicating the amount of each debt and information identifying the debtor, as required by section 270A.04, subdivision 3. ~~Where the notification is received before July 1, the notification shall be effective only to initiate set-off for claims against refunds that would be made in the same calendar year. Where the notification is received on or after July 1, the notification is effective only to begin setoff for claims against refunds that would be made in the next calendar year.~~

~~The claimant agency shall submit to the commissioner the amount of \$3 per certification. The payment must accompany the certification. The claimant agency shall increase the amount of each debt certified by \$3 and this total amount is subject to recapture. If the total debt is not recaptured by the commissioner, the \$3 addition to the debt may be collected by the claimant agency from the debtor and must be considered an obligation of the debtor. The \$3 will not be refunded if the recapture is not accomplished.~~

For each setoff of a debt against a refund due, the commissioner shall

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charge a fee of \$10. The claimant agency may add the fee to the amount of the debt.

The claimant agency shall notify the commissioner when a debt has been satisfied or reduced by at least \$200 within 30 days after satisfaction or reduction.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270A.07, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **SETOFF PROCEDURES.** (a) The commissioner, upon receipt of notification, shall initiate procedures to detect any refunds otherwise payable to the debtor. When the commissioner determines that a refund is due to a debtor whose debt was submitted by a claimant agency, the commissioner shall first deduct the fee in subdivision 1 and then remit the refund or the amount claimed, whichever is less, to the agency. In transferring or remitting moneys to the claimant agency, the commissioner shall provide information indicating the amount applied against each debtor's obligation and the debtor's address listed on the tax return.

(b) The commissioner shall remit to the debtor the amount of any refund due in excess of the debt submitted for setoff by the claimant agency. Notice of the amount setoff and address of the claimant agency shall accompany any disbursement to the debtor of the balance of a refund.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 270A.08, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. (a) This written notice shall clearly and with specificity set forth the basis for the claim to the refund including the name of the benefit program involved if the debt arises from a public assistance grant and the dates on which the debt was incurred and, further, shall advise the debtor of the claimant agency's intention to request setoff of the refund against the debt.

(b) The notice will also advise the debtor that any the debt incurred more than six years from the date of the notice to the commissioner under section 270A.07, except for debts owed resulting from a default in payment of child support or maintenance, must not can be setoff against a refund unless the time period allowed by law for collecting the debt has expired, and will advise the debtor of the right to contest the validity of the claim at a hearing. The debtor must assert this right by written request to the claimant agency, which request the agency must receive within 45 days of the mailing date of the original notice or of the corrected notice, as required by subdivision 1. If the debtor has not received the notice, the 45 days shall not commence until the debtor has received actual notice. The debtor shall have the burden of showing no notice and shall be entitled to a hearing on the issue of notice as well as on the merits.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270A.11, is amended to read:

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**270A.11 DATA PRIVACY.**

Private and confidential data on individuals may be exchanged among the department, the claimant agency, and the debtor as necessary to accomplish and effectuate the intent of sections 270A.01 to 270A.12, as provided by section 13.05, subdivision 4, clause (b). The department may disclose to the claimant agency only the debtor's name, address, social security number and the amount of the refund, and in the case of a joint return, the name of the debtor's spouse. Any person employed by, or formerly employed by, a claimant agency who discloses any such information for any other purpose, shall be subject to the civil and criminal penalties of section 270B.18.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270B.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **MINNESOTA TAX LAWS.** For purposes of this chapter only, "Minnesota tax laws" means the taxes administered by or paid to the commissioner under chapters 289A, 290, 290A, 291, and 297A, and includes any laws for the assessment, collection, and enforcement of those taxes.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.20, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **INDIVIDUAL INCOME, FIDUCIARY INCOME, MINING COMPANY, CORPORATE FRANCHISE, AND ENTERTAINMENT TAXES.** (a) Individual income, fiduciary, mining company, and corporate franchise taxes must be paid to the commissioner on or before the date the return must be filed under section 289A.18, subdivision 1, or the extended due date as provided in section 289A.19, unless an earlier date for payment is provided.

Notwithstanding any other law, a taxpayer whose unpaid liability for income or corporate franchise taxes, as reflected upon the return, is \$1 or less need not pay the tax.

~~A corporation required to make estimated tax payments by means of an electronic funds transfer must also make the payment with the return in accordance with section 289A.26, subdivision 2a.~~

(b) Entertainment taxes must be paid on or before the date the return must be filed under section 289A.18, subdivision 1.

**Sec. 11. [289A.43] PROHIBITION OF SUITS TO RESTRAIN ASSESSMENT OR COLLECTION.**

Except for the express procedures in this chapter, chapters 270 and 271, and any other tax statutes for contesting the assessment or collection of taxes, penalties, or interest administered by the commissioner of revenue, no suit to restrain assessment or collection, including a declaratory judgment action, can be maintained in any court by any person.

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Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.50, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **WITHHOLDING OF REFUNDS FROM CHILD SUPPORT DEBTORS.** (a) If a court of this state finds that a person obligated to pay child support is delinquent in making payments, the amount of child support unpaid and owing, including attorney fees and costs incurred in ascertaining or collecting child support, must be withheld from a refund due the person under chapter 290. The public agency responsible for child support enforcement or the parent or guardian of a child for whom the support, attorney fees, and costs are owed may petition the district or county court for an order providing for the withholding of the amount of child support, attorney fees, and costs unpaid and owing as determined by court order. The person from whom the refund may be withheld must be notified of the petition under the rules of civil procedure before the issuance of an order under this subdivision. The order may be granted on a showing to the court that required support payments, attorney fees, and costs have not been paid when they were due.

(b) On order of the court ~~and on payment of \$3 to the commissioner,~~ the commissioner shall withhold the money from the refund due to the person obligated to pay the child support. The amount withheld shall be remitted to the public agency responsible for child support enforcement or to the parent or guardian petitioning on behalf of the child, after any delinquent tax obligations of the taxpayer owed to the revenue department have been satisfied and after deduction of the fee prescribed in section 270A.07, subdivision 1. An amount received by the responsible public agency or the petitioning parent or guardian in excess of the amount of public assistance spent for the benefit of the child to be supported, or the amount of any support, attorney fees, and costs that had been the subject of the claim under this subdivision that has been paid by the taxpayer before the diversion of the refund, must be paid to the person entitled to the money. If the refund is based on a joint return, the part of the refund that must be paid to the petitioner is the proportion of the total refund that equals the proportion of the total federal adjusted gross income of the spouses that is the federal adjusted gross income of the spouse who is delinquent in making the child support payments.

(c) A petition filed under this subdivision remains in effect with respect to any refunds due under this section until the support money, attorney fees, and costs have been paid in full or the court orders the commissioner to discontinue withholding the money from the refund due the person obligated to pay the support, attorney fees, and costs. If a petition is filed under this subdivision and a claim is made under chapter 270A with respect to the individual's refund and notices of both are received before the time when payment of the refund is made on either claim, the claim relating to the liability that accrued first in time must be paid first. The amount of the refund remaining must then be applied to the other claim.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.05, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

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Subd. 4. (a) ~~Corporations, individuals, estates, trusts or organizations claiming exemption under subdivision 2 shall furnish information concerning their exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code.~~

(b) ~~Corporations, individuals, estates, trusts, and organizations shall file with the commissioner of revenue a copy of an annual report that is required to be filed with the Internal Revenue Service, no later than ten days after filing it with the Internal Revenue Service. An annual report required of a pension plan under sections 6057 to 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, does not need to be filed with the commissioner.~~

(e) If the Internal Revenue Service revokes, cancels or suspends, in whole or part, the exempt status of any corporation, individual, estate, trust or organization referred to in paragraph (a), or if the amount of gross income, deductions, credits, items of tax preference or taxable income is changed or corrected by either the taxpayer or the Internal Revenue Service, or if the taxpayer consents to any extension of time for assessment of federal income taxes, the corporation, individual, estate, trust or organization shall notify the commissioner in writing of the action within 90 days after that date.

(d) (b) The periods of limitations contained in section 289A.42, subdivision 2, apply when there has been any action referred to in paragraph (e) (a), notwithstanding any period of limitations to the contrary.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.0671, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **CREDIT ALLOWED.** An individual is allowed a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter equal to ten percent of the credit for which the individual is eligible under section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990.

~~For a nonresident, or part-year resident, or person who has earned income not subject to tax under this chapter, the credit determined under section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990, must be allocated based on the percentage of the total earned income of the claimant and the claimant's spouse that is derived from Minnesota sources calculated under section 290.06, subdivision 2c, paragraph (e).~~

For a person who was a resident for the entire tax year and has earned income not subject to tax under this chapter, the credit must be allocated based on the ratio of federal adjusted gross income reduced by the earned income not subject to tax under this chapter over federal adjusted gross income.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.091, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **DEFINITIONS.** For purposes of the tax imposed by this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

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(a) "Alternative minimum taxable income" means the sum of the following for the taxable year:

(1) the taxpayer's federal alternative minimum taxable income as defined in section 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(2) the taxpayer's itemized deductions allowed in computing federal alternative minimum taxable income, but excluding the Minnesota charitable contribution deduction and non-Minnesota charitable deductions to the extent they are included in federal alternative minimum taxable income under section 57(a)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, and excluding the medical expense deduction;

(3) to the extent not included in federal alternative minimum taxable income, the amount of interest income as provided by section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clause (1); less the sum of

(i) interest income as defined in section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clause (1);

(ii) an overpayment of state income tax as provided by section 290.01, subdivision 19b, clause (2); and

(iii) the amount of investment interest paid or accrued within the taxable year on indebtedness to the extent that the amount does not exceed net investment income, as defined in section 163(d)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Interest does not include amounts deducted in computing federal adjusted gross income.

In the case of an estate or trust, alternative minimum taxable income must be computed as provided in section 59(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1989.

(c) "Investment interest" means investment interest as defined in section 163(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(d) "Tentative minimum tax" equals ~~six~~ seven percent of alternative minimum taxable income after subtracting the exemption amount determined under subdivision 3.

(e) "Regular tax" means the tax that would be imposed under this chapter (without regard to this section and section 290.032), reduced by the sum of the nonrefundable credits allowed under this chapter.

(f) "Net minimum tax" means the minimum tax imposed by this section.

(g) "Minnesota charitable contribution deduction" means a charitable contribution deduction under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code to or for the use of an entity described in section 290.21, subdivision 3, clauses (a) to (e).

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.091, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

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Subd. 6. **CREDIT FOR PRIOR YEARS' LIABILITY.** (a) A credit is allowed against the tax imposed by this chapter on individuals, trusts, and estates equal to the minimum tax credit for the taxable year. The minimum tax credit equals the adjusted net minimum tax for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1988, reduced by the minimum tax credits allowed in a prior taxable year. The credit may not exceed the excess (if any) for the taxable year of

(1) the regular tax, over

(2) the greater of (i) the tentative alternative minimum tax, or (ii) zero.

(b) The adjusted net minimum tax for a taxable year equals the lesser of the net minimum tax or the excess (if any) of

(1) the tentative minimum tax, over

(2) ~~six~~ seven percent of the sum of

(i) adjusted gross income as defined in section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code,

(ii) interest income as defined in section 290.01, subdivision 19a, clause (1),

(iii) interest on specified private activity bonds, as defined in section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code, to the extent not included under clause (ii),

(iv) depletion as defined in section 57(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, less

(v) the deductions provided in clauses (3)(i), (3)(ii), and (3)(iii) of subdivision 2, paragraph (a), and

(vi) the exemption amount determined under subdivision 3.

In the case of an individual who is not a Minnesota resident for the entire year, adjusted net minimum tax must be multiplied by the fraction defined in section 290.06, subdivision 2c, paragraph (e). In the case of a trust or estate, adjusted net minimum tax must be multiplied by the fraction defined under subdivision 4, paragraph (b).

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.0921, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **CARRYOVER CREDIT.** (a) A corporation is allowed a credit against qualified regular tax for qualified alternative minimum tax previously paid. The credit is allowable only if the corporation has no tax liability under this section for the taxable year and if the corporation has an alternative minimum tax credit carryover from a previous year. The credit allowable in a taxable year equals the lesser of

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(1) the excess of the qualified regular tax for the taxable year over the amount computed under subdivision 1, ~~paragraph (a)~~, clause (1), for the taxable year or

(2) the carryover credit to the taxable year.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given.

(1) "Qualified alternative minimum tax" equals the amount determined under subdivision 1 for the taxable year.

(2) "Qualified regular tax" means the tax imposed under section 290.06, subdivision 1.

(c) The qualified alternative minimum tax for a taxable year is an alternative minimum tax credit carryover to each of the taxable years succeeding the taxable year. The entire amount of the credit must be carried to the earliest taxable year to which the amount may be carried. Any unused portion of the credit must be carried to the following taxable year. No credit may be carried to a taxable year in which alternative minimum tax was paid.

(d) An acquiring corporation may carry over this credit from a transferor or distributor corporation in a corporate acquisition. The provisions of section 381 of the Internal Revenue Code apply in determining the amount of the carryover, if any.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 290.0922, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **IMPOSITION.** (a) In addition to the tax imposed by this chapter without regard to this section, the franchise tax imposed on a corporation required to file under section ~~290.37~~ 289A.08, subdivision 3, other than a corporation having a valid election in effect under section 1362 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1989, for the taxable year includes a tax equal to the following amounts:

If the sum of the corporation's  
Minnesota property, payrolls, and sales  
or receipts is:

	the tax equals:
less than \$500,000	\$0
\$ 500,000 to \$ 999,999	\$100
\$ 1,000,000 to \$ 4,999,999	\$300
\$ 5,000,000 to \$ 9,999,999	\$1,000
\$10,000,000 to \$19,999,999	\$2,000
\$20,000,000 or more	\$5,000

(b) A tax is imposed annually beginning in 1990 on a corporation required to file a return under section ~~290.41, subdivision 1~~ 289A.12, subdivision 3, that has a valid election in effect for the taxable year under section 1362 of the Inter-

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nal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1989, and on a partnership required to file a return under section ~~290.41, subdivision 1~~ 289A.12, subdivision 3, other than a partnership that derives over 80 percent of its income from farming. The tax imposed under this paragraph is due on or before the due date of the return ~~for the taxpayer due under section 290.41, subdivision 1, for the calendar year following the calendar year in which the tax is imposed~~ 289A.18, subdivision 1. The commissioner shall prescribe the return to be used for payment of this tax. The tax under this paragraph is equal to the following amounts:

If the sum of the S corporation's or partnership's Minnesota property, payrolls, and sales or receipts is:

	the tax equals:
less than \$500,000	\$0
\$ 500,000 to \$ 999,999	\$100
\$ 1,000,000 to \$ 4,999,999	\$300
\$ 5,000,000 to \$ 9,999,999	\$1,000
\$10,000,000 to \$19,999,999	\$2,000
\$20,000,000 or more	\$5,000

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290A.03, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **CLAIMANT.** (a) "Claimant" means a person, other than a dependent, who filed a claim authorized by this chapter and who was a resident of this state as provided in chapter 290 during the calendar year for which the claim for relief was filed.

(b) In the case of a claim relating to rent constituting property taxes, the claimant shall have resided in a rented or leased unit on which ad valorem taxes or payments made in lieu of ad valorem taxes, including payments of special assessments imposed in lieu of ad valorem taxes, are payable at some time during the calendar year covered by the claim.

(c) "Claimant" shall not include a resident of a nursing home, intermediate care facility, or long-term residential facility whose rent constituting property taxes is paid pursuant to the supplemental security income program under title XVI of the Social Security Act, the Minnesota supplemental aid program under sections 256D.35 to 256D.41, the medical assistance program pursuant to title XIX of the Social Security Act, or the general assistance medical care program pursuant to section 256D.03, subdivision 3. If only a portion of the rent constituting property taxes is paid by these programs, the resident shall be a claimant for purposes of this chapter, but the refund calculated pursuant to section 290A.04 shall be multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is income as defined in subdivision 3, paragraphs (1) and (2), reduced by the total amount of income from the above sources other than vendor payments under the medical assistance program or the general assistance medical care program and the denominator of which is income as defined in subdivision 3, paragraphs (1) and (2), plus vendor payments under the medical assistance program or the general

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assistance medical care program, to determine the allowable refund pursuant to this chapter.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (c), if the claimant was a resident of the nursing home, intermediate care facility or long-term residential facility for only a portion of the calendar year covered by the claim, the claimant may compute rent constituting property taxes by disregarding the rent constituting property taxes from the nursing home, intermediate care facility, or long-term residential facility and use only that amount of rent constituting property taxes or property taxes payable relating to that portion of the year when the claimant was not in the facility. The claimant's household income is the income for the entire calendar year covered by the claim.

(e) In the case of a claim for rent constituting property taxes of a part-year Minnesota resident, the income and rental reflected in this computation shall be for the period of Minnesota residency only. Any rental expenses paid which may be reflected in arriving at federal adjusted gross income cannot be utilized for this computation. When two individuals of a household are able to meet the qualifications for a claimant, they may determine among them as to who the claimant shall be. If they are unable to agree, the matter shall be referred to the commissioner of revenue whose decision shall be final. If a homestead property owner was a part-year Minnesota resident, the income reflected in the computation made pursuant to section 290A.04 shall be for the entire calendar year, including income not assignable to Minnesota.

(f) If a homestead is occupied by two or more renters, who are not husband and wife, the rent shall be deemed to be paid equally by each, and separate claims shall be filed by each. The income of each shall be each renter's household income for purposes of computing the amount of credit to be allowed.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290A.19, is amended to read:

**290A.19 OWNER OR MANAGING AGENT TO FURNISH RENT CERTIFICATE.**

(a) The owner or managing agent of any property for which rent is paid for occupancy as a homestead must furnish a certificate of rent constituting property tax to a person who is a renter on December 31, in the form prescribed by the commissioner. If the renter moves before December 31, the owner or managing agent may give the certificate to the renter at the time of moving, or mail the certificate to the forwarding address if an address has been provided by the renter. The certificate must be made available to the renter before February 1 of the year following the year in which the rent was paid. The owner or managing agent must retain a duplicate of each certificate or an equivalent record showing the same information for a period of three years. The duplicate or other record must be made available to the commissioner upon request.

(b) The certificate of rent constituting property taxes must include the address of the property, including the county, and the property tax parcel identi-

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fication number and any additional information that the commissioner determines is appropriate.

(c) If the owner or managing agent fails to provide the renter with a certificate of rent constituting property taxes, the commissioner shall allocate the net tax on the building to the unit on a square footage basis or other appropriate basis as the commissioner determines. The renter shall supply the commissioner with a statement from the county treasurer that gives the amount of property tax on the parcel, the address and property tax parcel identification number of the property, and the number of units in the building.

(d) By June 30, for taxes payable in 1990 and May 30 for taxes payable in 1991 and thereafter January 31 of the year following the year in which the rent was collected, each owner or managing agent shall report to the commissioner on a form prescribed by the commissioner the net tax pertaining to the rental residential part of the property, the total scheduled rent, and the fraction computed under section 290A.03, subdivision 11. A copy of the property tax statement for taxes payable in that year must be attached.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **REFUND; APPROPRIATION.** Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 297A.25, subdivision 42, and 297A.257 the tax on sales of capital equipment, and construction materials and supplies under section 297A.257, shall be imposed and collected as if the ~~rate~~ rates under ~~section~~ sections 297A.02, subdivision 1, and 297A.021 applied. Upon application by the purchaser, on forms prescribed by the commissioner, a refund equal to the reduction in the tax due as a result of the application of the exemption under section 297A.25, subdivision 42, or 297A.257 shall be paid to the purchaser. In the case of building materials qualifying under section 297A.257 where the tax was paid by a contractor, application must be made by the owner for the sales tax paid by all the contractors, subcontractors, and builders for the project. The application must include sufficient information to permit the commissioner to verify the sales tax paid for the project. The application shall include information necessary for the commissioner initially to verify that the purchases qualified as capital equipment under section 297A.25, subdivision 42, or capital equipment or construction materials and supplies under section 297A.257. No more than two applications for refunds may be filed under this subdivision in a calendar year. Unless otherwise specifically provided by this subdivision, the provisions of section 289A.40 apply to the refunds payable under this subdivision. There is annually appropriated to the commissioner of revenue the amount required to make the refunds.

The amount to be refunded shall bear interest at the rate in section 270.76 from the date the refund claim is filed with the commissioner.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.15, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

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Subd. 6. **REFUND; APPROPRIATION.** The tax on the gross receipts from the sale of items exempt under section 297A.25, subdivision 43, must be imposed and collected as if the sale were taxable and the rate rates under ~~section sections~~ 297A.02, subdivision 1, and 297A.021 applied.

Upon application by the owner of the homestead property on forms prescribed by the commissioner, a refund equal to the tax paid on the gross receipts of the building materials and equipment must be paid to the homeowner. In the case of building materials in which the tax was paid by a contractor, application must be made by the homeowner for the sales tax paid by the contractor. The application must include sufficient information to permit the commissioner to verify the sales tax paid for the project. The contractor must furnish to the homeowner a statement of the cost of building materials and the sales taxes paid on the materials. The amount required to make the refunds is annually appropriated to the commissioner. Interest must be paid on the refund at the rate in section 270.76 from 60 days after the date the refund claim is filed with the commissioner.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 541.07, is amended to read:

**541.07 TWO- OR THREE-YEAR LIMITATIONS.**

Except where the Uniform Commercial Code, this section, section 148A.06, or section 541.073 otherwise prescribes, the following actions shall be commenced within two years:

(1) For libel, slander, assault, battery, false imprisonment, or other tort, resulting in personal injury, and all actions against physicians, surgeons, dentists, other health care professionals as defined in section 145.61, and veterinarians as defined in chapter 156, hospitals, sanitariums, for malpractice, error, mistake or failure to cure, whether based on contract or tort; provided a counterclaim may be pleaded as a defense to any action for services brought by a physician, surgeon, dentist, or other health care professional or veterinarian, hospital or sanitarium, after the limitations herein described notwithstanding it is barred by the provisions of this chapter, if it was the property of the party pleading it at the time it became barred and was not barred at the time the claim sued on originated, but no judgment thereof except for costs can be rendered in favor of the party so pleading it;

(2) Upon a statute for a penalty or forfeiture, except as provided in sections 541.074 and 541.075;

(3) For damages caused by a dam, other than a dam used for commercial purposes; but as against one holding under the preemption or homestead laws, the limitations shall not begin to run until a patent has been issued for the land so damaged;

(4) Against a master for breach of an indenture of apprenticeship; the limitation runs from the expiration of the term of service;

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(5) For the recovery of wages or overtime or damages, fees or penalties accruing under any federal or state law respecting the payment of wages or overtime or damages, fees or penalties except, that if the employer fails to submit payroll records by a specified date upon request of the department of labor and industry or if the nonpayment is willful and not the result of mistake or inadvertence, the limitation is three years. (The term "wages" means all remuneration for services or employment, including commissions and bonuses and the cash value of all remuneration in any medium other than cash, where the relationship of master and servant exists and the term "damages" means single, double, or treble damages, accorded by any statutory cause of action whatsoever and whether or not the relationship of master and servant exists);

(6) For damages caused by the establishment of a street or highway grade or a change in the originally established grade;

(7) ~~For sales or use taxes imposed by the laws of any other state;~~

(8) Against the person who applies the pesticide for injury or damage to property resulting from the application, but not the manufacture or sale, of a pesticide.

Sec. 24. Laws 1991, chapter 291, article 7, section 27, is amended to read:

Sec. 27. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 2, ~~4~~, 9, 15 to 19, 21 to 24, and 26 are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1990, provided that the carryover for the credit provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 290.068, subdivision 6, that is repealed by section 26, remains in effect for taxable years beginning before 2003. Sections 10 and 14 are effective the day following final enactment. Sections 1, 3, 11, 12, 13, 20, and 25 are effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

Sec. 25. **INSTRUCTION TO REVISOR.**

In the next edition of Minnesota Statutes, the revisor of statutes shall delete the note after section 290A.19. Effective August 1, 1990, the amendment to Minnesota Statutes, section 290A.19, made by Laws 1990, chapter 480, article 1, section 38, paragraph (c), is of no effect.

Sec. 26. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 289A.12, subdivision 1; 290.48, subdivision 7; and 297.32, subdivision 7, are repealed. Minnesota Rules, parts 8130.6100 and 8130.6800, are repealed.

Sec. 27. **EFFECTIVE DATES.**

Sections 2, 3, 7 to 9, 11, 17, 18, 24, and 26 are effective the day following final enactment.

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Sections 4, 5, 6, and 12 are effective for refund offsets made on or after July 1, 1992.

Section 10 is effective for payments with corporate franchise tax returns due on or after January 1, 1992.

Section 13 is effective for returns that would have been due after the date of final enactment.

Section 14 is effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 1991.

Sections 15 and 16 are effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 1990.

Section 19 is effective beginning for claims based on rent paid in 1992.

Section 20 is effective beginning with returns based on rent collected in 1992.

Sections 21 and 22 are effective retroactively for all purchases made after December 31, 1991.

Section 23 is effective for causes of action arising on or after the day following final enactment, and for causes of action arising before that date that have not expired as of the day following final enactment.

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## ARTICLE 8

### SALES AND USE TAXES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 216C.06, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 13. PHOTOVOLTAIC DEVICE. "Photovoltaic device" means a system of components that generates electricity from incident sunlight by means of the photovoltaic effect, whether or not the device is able to store the energy produced for later use.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 289A.11, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **WHO MUST FILE RETURN.** For purposes of the sales tax, a return must be filed by a retailer who is required to hold a permit. For the purposes of the use tax, a return must be filed by a retailer required to collect the tax and by a person buying any items, the storage, use or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax, who has not paid the use tax to a retailer required to collect the tax. The returns must be signed by the person filing the return or by the person's agent duly authorized in writing. The signature requirement can be waived by agreement, in writing, between the commissioner and

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the person required to file the returns for a period not to exceed one year from the date of the agreement. The agreement must contain an admission of liability by the taxpayer for the taxes reported on all returns filed by the taxpayer without a signature during the period of the waiver, to the extent such taxes are not timely paid.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.18, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **SALES AND USE TAX RETURNS.** (a) Sales and use tax returns must be filed on or before the 20th day of the month following the close of the preceding reporting period, except that annual use tax returns provided for under section 289A.11, subdivision 1, must be filed by April 15 following the close of the calendar year. In addition, on or before June 20 of a year, a retailer who has a May liability of \$1,500 or more must file a return with the commissioner for one-half of the estimated June liability, in addition to filing a return for the May liability. On or before August 20 of a year, the retailer must file a return showing the actual June liability.

(b) Returns filed by retailers required to remit liabilities by means of funds transfer under section 289A.20, subdivision 4, paragraph (d), are due on or before the 25th day of the month following the close of the preceding reporting period. Returns filed under the second sentence of paragraph (a) by a retailer required to remit by means of funds transfer are due on June 25, and on or before August 25 of a year, the retailer must file a return showing the actual June liability.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 289A.20, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **SALES AND USE TAX.** (a) The taxes imposed by chapter 297A are due and payable to the commissioner monthly on or before the 20th day of the month following the month in which the taxable event occurred or following another reporting period as the commissioner prescribes, except that use taxes due on an annual use tax return as provided under section 289A.11, subdivision 1, are payable by April 15 following the close of the calendar year.

(b) A vendor having a liability of \$1,500 or more in May of a year must remit the June liability in the following manner:

(1) On or before June 20 of the year, the vendor must remit the actual May liability and one-half of the estimated June liability to the commissioner.

(2) On or before August 20 of the year, the vendor must pay any additional amount of tax not remitted in June.

(3) If the vendor is required to remit by means of funds transfer as provided in paragraph (d), the vendor may remit the May liability as provided for in paragraph (e), but must remit one-half of the estimated June liability on or before June 14. The remaining amount of the June liability is due on August 14.

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(c) When a retailer located outside of a city that imposes a local sales and use tax collects use tax to be remitted to that city, the retailer is not required to remit the tax until the amount collected reaches \$10.

(d) A vendor having a liability of \$240,000 or more during a fiscal year ending June 30 must remit all liabilities in the subsequent calendar year by means of a funds transfer as defined in section 336.4A-104, paragraph (a). The funds transfer payment date, as defined in section 336.4A-401, must be on or before the date the tax is due the 14th day of the month following the month in which the taxable event occurred, except for the one-half of the estimated June liability, which is due with the May liability on June 14. The remaining amount of the June liability is due on August 14. If the date the tax is due is not a funds transfer business day, as defined in section 336.4A-105, paragraph (a), clause (4), the payment date must be on or before the funds transfer business day next following the date the tax is due.

(e) If the vendor required to remit by electronic funds transfer as provided in paragraph (d) is unable due to reasonable cause to determine the actual sales and use tax due on or before the due date for payment, the vendor may remit an estimate of the tax owed using one of the following options:

(1) 100 percent of the tax reported on the previous month's sales and use tax return;

(2) 100 percent of the tax reported on the sales and use tax return for the same month in the previous calendar year; or

(3) 95 percent of the actual tax due.

Any additional amount of tax that is not remitted on or before the due date for payment, must be remitted with the return. A vendor must notify the commissioner of the option that will be used to estimate the tax due, and must obtain approval from the commissioner to switch to another option. If a vendor fails to remit the actual liability or does not remit using one of the estimate options by the due date for payment, the vendor must remit actual liability as provided in paragraph (d) in all subsequent periods. This paragraph does not apply to the June sales and use liability.

#### Sec. 5. [297.031] REFUND FOR TAX CONSTITUTING BAD DEBT.

Subdivision 1. ADOPTION OF RULES. The commissioner may adopt rules providing a refund of the tax paid under section 297.02 if the tax paid qualifies as a bad debt under section 166(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991.

Subd. 2. CREDIT AGAINST TAX. The commissioner may credit the amount determined under this section against taxes otherwise payable under this chapter by the taxpayer.

Subd. 3. CLAIMS; TIME LIMIT. Claims for refund must be filed with the

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commissioner within one year of the filing date of the taxpayer's federal income tax return containing the bad debt deduction that is being claimed. Claimants under this section are subject to the notice requirements of section 289A.38, subdivision 7.

Subd. 4. ANNUAL APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated annually from the general fund to the commissioner the amount necessary to make the refunds provided by this section.

**Sec. 6. [297.321] REFUND FOR TAX CONSTITUTING BAD DEBT.**

Subdivision 1. ADOPTION OF RULES. The commissioner may adopt rules providing a refund of the tax paid under section 297.32 if the tax paid qualifies as a bad debt under section 166(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1991.

Subd. 2. CREDIT AGAINST TAX. The commissioner may credit the amount determined under this section against taxes otherwise payable under this chapter by the taxpayer.

Subd. 3. CLAIMS; TIME LIMIT. Claims for refund must be filed with the commissioner within one year of the filing date of the taxpayer's federal income tax return containing the bad debt deduction that is being claimed. Claimants under this section are subject to the notice requirements of section 289A.38, subdivision 7.

Subd. 4. ANNUAL APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated annually from the general fund to the commissioner the amount necessary to make the refunds provided by this section.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.07, is amended to read:

**297A.07 REVOCATION OF PERMITS.**

Subdivision 1. HEARINGS. Whenever If any person fails to comply with any provision of sections 297A.01 to 297A.44 this chapter or any rule of the commissioner the rules adopted under sections 297A.01 to 297A.44 this chapter, without reasonable cause, the commissioner, upon ~~may~~ schedule a hearing, after giving the person 30 days' notice in writing specifying the time and place of hearing and the reason for the proposed revocation and requiring the person to show cause why the permit or permits should not be revoked; may for reasonable cause, revoke or suspend any one or more of the permits held by such person. The commissioner must give the person 15 days' notice in writing, specifying the time and place of the hearing and the reason for the proposed revocation. The notice shall also advise the person of the person's right to contest the revocation under this subdivision, the general procedures for a contested case hearing under chapter 14, and the notice requirement under subdivision 2. The notice may be served personally or by mail in the manner prescribed for service of notice of a deficiency an order of assessment.

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Subd. 2. CONTESTING OF REVOCATION. A person planning to contest the revocation of a sales tax permit must give the commissioner written notice of intent to do so five calendar days before the date of the hearing. If the person does not provide the notice and has no reasonable justification for not doing so, or does not attend the hearing, the commissioner may request a finding of default and recommendation for revocation by the administrative law judge.

Subd. 3. NEW PERMITS AFTER REVOCATION. The commissioner shall not issue a new permit or reinstate a revoked permit after revocation except upon application accompanied by unless the taxpayer applies for a permit and provides reasonable evidence of the intention of the applicant to comply with the aforementioned provisions sales and use tax laws and rules. The commissioner may condition require the issuance of a new permit to such applicant on the supplying of such to supply security, in addition to that authorized by section 297A.28, as is reasonably necessary to insure compliance with the aforementioned provisions sales and use tax laws and rules.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 297A.135, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **TAX IMPOSED.** A tax of \$7.50 is imposed on the lease or rental in this state on a daily or weekly basis for not more than 28 days of a passenger automobile as defined in section 168.011, subdivision 7, a van as defined in section 168.011, subdivision 28, or a pickup truck as defined in section 168.011, subdivision 29. The tax does not apply to the lease or rental of a hearse or limousine used in connection with a burial or funeral service. ~~The tax does not apply if the term of the lease or rental is longer than 28 days.~~ It applies whether or not the vehicle is licensed in the state.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 297A.135, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. EXEMPTION. The tax imposed by this section does not apply to a lease or rental if the vehicle is to be used by the lessee to provide a licensed taxi service.

Sec. 10. [297A.136] **TAX ON 900 PAY-PER-CALL SERVICES.**

Subdivision 1. TAX IMPOSED. A tax of \$.50 is imposed for each call placed to a 900 service if that service originates from and is charged to a telephone located in this state.

Subd. 2. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this section, "900 service" means pay-per-call 900 information services provided through a telephone exchange, commonly accessed by dialing 1-900, 1-960, 1-976, or other similar prefix.

Subd. 3. PAYMENT; ADMINISTRATION. Liability for the tax imposed by this section is on the person making the call. Liability for collection is on the

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person providing access to a dial tone. The tax imposed in this section must be reported and paid to the commissioner of revenue with the taxes imposed in this chapter. It is subject to the same interest, penalty, and other provisions provided for sales and use taxes under chapter 289A and this chapter. The commissioner has the same powers to access and collect the tax that are given the commissioner in chapters 270 and 289A and this chapter to assess and collect sales and use tax.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.14, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **IMPOSITION.** For the privilege of using, storing or consuming in Minnesota tangible personal property or taxable services purchased for use, storage, or consumption in this state, a use tax is imposed on every person in this state at the rate of tax imposed under section 297A.02 on the sales price of sales at retail of the items, unless the tax imposed by section 297A.02 was paid on the sales price.

A use tax is imposed on every person who uses, stores, or consumes tangible personal property in Minnesota which has been manufactured, fabricated, or assembled by the person from materials, either within or without this state, at the rate of tax imposed under section 297A.02 on the sales price of sales at retail of the materials contained in the tangible personal property, unless the tax imposed by section 297A.02 was paid on the sales price.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.15, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **REFUND; APPROPRIATION.** Notwithstanding the provisions of ~~sections~~ section 297A.25, subdivision ~~subdivisions 42 and 297A.257 and 50,~~ the tax on sales of capital equipment, and construction materials and supplies under section ~~297A.257~~ 297A.25, subdivision 50, shall be imposed and collected as if the rate under section 297A.02, subdivision 1, applied. Upon application by the purchaser, on forms prescribed by the commissioner, a refund equal to the reduction in the tax due as a result of the application of the exemption under section 297A.25, subdivision 42 ~~or 50, or 297A.257~~ shall be paid to the purchaser. In the case of building materials qualifying under section ~~297A.257~~ 297A.25, subdivision 50, where the tax was paid by a contractor, application must be made by the owner for the sales tax paid by all the contractors, subcontractors, and builders for the project. The application must include sufficient information to permit the commissioner to verify the sales tax paid for the project. The application shall include information necessary for the commissioner initially to verify that the purchases qualified as capital equipment under section 297A.25, subdivision 42, or capital equipment or construction materials and supplies under section ~~297A.257~~ 297A.25, subdivision 50. No more than two applications for refunds may be filed under this subdivision in a calendar year. No owner may apply for a refund based on the exemption under section 297A.25, subdivision 50, before July 1, 1993. Unless otherwise specifically pro-

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vided by this subdivision, the provisions of section 289A.40 apply to the refunds payable under this subdivision. There is annually appropriated to the commissioner of revenue the amount required to make the refunds.

The amount to be refunded shall bear interest at the rate in section 270.76 from the date the refund claim is filed with the commissioner.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 297A.21, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

**Subd. 4. REQUIRED REGISTRATION BY OUT-OF-STATE RETAILER NOT MAINTAINING PLACE OF BUSINESS IN MINNESOTA.**

(a) A retailer making retail sales from outside this state to a destination within this state and not maintaining a place of business in this state shall file an application for a permit pursuant to section 297A.04 and shall collect and remit the use tax as provided in section 297A.16 if the retailer engages in the regular or systematic soliciting of sales from potential customers in this state by:

(1) the distribution, by mail or otherwise, without regard to the state from which such distribution originated or in which the materials were prepared, of catalogs, periodicals, advertising flyers, or other written solicitations of business to customers in this state;

(2) display of advertisements on billboards or other outdoor advertising in this state;

(3) advertisements in newspapers published in this state;

(4) advertisements in trade journals or other periodicals the circulation of which is primarily within this state;

(5) advertisements in a Minnesota edition of a national or regional publication or a limited regional edition in which this state is included of a broader regional or national publication which are not placed in other geographically defined editions of the same issue of the same publication;

(6) advertisements in regional or national publications in an edition which is not by its contents geographically targeted to Minnesota but which is sold over the counter in Minnesota or by subscription to Minnesota residents;

(7) advertisements broadcast on a radio or television station located in Minnesota; or

(8) any other solicitation by telegraphy, telephone, computer data base, cable, optic, microwave, or other communication system.

(b) The location within or without this state of vendors independent of the retailer which provide products or services to the retailer in connection with its solicitation of customers within this state, including such products and services as creation of copy, printing, distribution, and recording, is not to be taken into

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account in the determination of whether the retailer is required to collect use tax. Paragraph (a) shall be construed without regard to the state from which distribution of the materials originated or in which they were prepared.

(c) A retailer not maintaining a place of business in this state shall be presumed, subject to rebuttal, to be engaged in regular solicitation within this state if it engages in any of the activities in paragraph (a) and (1) makes 100 or more retail sales from outside this state to destinations within this state during a period of 12 consecutive months, or (2) makes ten or more retail sales totaling more than \$100,000 from outside this state to destinations within this state during a period of 12 consecutive months.

(d) A retailer not maintaining a place of business in this state shall not be required to collect use tax imposed by any local governmental unit or subdivision of this state and this section does not subject such a retailer to any regulation of any local unit of government or subdivision of this state. This paragraph does not apply to the tax imposed under section 297A.021.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.** The gross receipts from the sale of and storage, use or consumption of the following petroleum products are exempt:

(1) products upon which a tax has been imposed and paid under the provisions of chapter 296, and no refund has been or will be allowed because the buyer used the fuel for nonhighway use, ~~or~~

(2) products which are used in the improvement of agricultural land by constructing, maintaining, and repairing drainage ditches, tile drainage systems, grass waterways, water impoundment, and other erosion control structures; or

(3) products purchased by a transit system receiving financial assistance under section 174.24 or 473.384.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **SALES TO GOVERNMENT.** The gross receipts from all sales, including sales in which title is retained by a seller or a vendor or is assigned to a third party under an installment sale or lease purchase agreement under section 465.71, of tangible personal property to, and all storage, use or consumption of such property by, the United States and its agencies and instrumentalities, the University of Minnesota, state universities, community colleges, technical colleges, state academies, the Minnesota center for arts education, and ~~political subdivisions of the state~~ school districts are exempt. As used in this subdivision, "school districts" means public school entities and districts of every kind and nature organized under the laws of the state of Minnesota.

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including, without limitation, school districts, intermediate school districts, education districts, educational cooperative service units, secondary vocational cooperative centers, special education cooperatives, joint purchasing cooperatives, telecommunication cooperatives, regional management information centers, technical colleges, joint vocational technical districts, and any instrumentality of a school district, as defined in section 471.59. Sales exempted by this subdivision include sales under section 297A.01, subdivision 3, paragraph (f), but do not include sales under section 297A.01, subdivision 3, paragraph (j), clause (vii). Sales to hospitals and nursing homes owned and operated by political subdivisions of the state are exempt under this subdivision. The sales to and exclusively for the use of libraries, as defined in section 134.001, of books, periodicals, audio-visual materials and equipment, photocopiers for use by the public, and all cataloging and circulation equipment, and cataloging and circulation software for library use are exempt under this subdivision. Sales of supplies and equipment used in the operation of an ambulance service owned and operated by a political subdivision of the state are exempt under this subdivision provided that the supplies and equipment are used in the course of providing medical care; motor vehicle parts are not exempt under this provision. This exemption shall not apply to building, construction or reconstruction materials purchased by a contractor or a subcontractor as a part of a lump-sum contract or similar type of contract with a guaranteed maximum price covering both labor and materials for use in the construction, alteration, or repair of a building or facility. This exemption does not apply to construction materials purchased by tax exempt entities or their contractors to be used in constructing buildings or facilities which will not be used principally by the tax exempt entities. This exemption does not apply to the leasing of a motor vehicle as defined in section 297B.01, subdivision 5, except for leases entered into by the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities. The tax imposed on sales to political subdivisions of the state under this section applies to all political subdivisions other than those explicitly exempted under this subdivision, notwithstanding sections 115A.69, subdivision 6, 116A.25, 360.035, 458A.09, 458A.30, 458D.23, 469.101, subdivision 2, 469.127, 473.394, 473.448, 473.545, or 473.608 or any other law to the contrary enacted before 1992.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 297A.25, subdivision 12, as amended by Laws 1992, chapter 363, article 1, section 19, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **OCCASIONAL SALES.** (a) The gross receipts from the isolated or occasional sale of tangible personal property in Minnesota not made in the normal course of business of selling that kind of property, and the storage, use, or consumption of property acquired as a result of such a sale are exempt.

(b) This exemption does not apply to sales of tangible personal property primarily used in a trade or business unless (1) the sale occurs in a transaction subject to or described in section 118, 331, 332, 336, 337, 338, 351, 355, 368, 721, 731, 1031, or 1033 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990; (2) the sale is between members of an affiliated a controlled

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group as defined in section ~~4504(a)~~ 1563(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, 1990; (3) the sale is a sale of farm machinery; (4) the sale is a farm auction sale; ~~or~~ (5) the sale is a sale of substantially all of the assets of a trade or business ~~conducted by an individual or by a partnership all of the partners of which are individuals; or~~ (6) the total amount of gross receipts from the sale of trade or business property made during the calendar month of the sale and the preceding 11 calendar months does not exceed \$1,000.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the meanings given.

(1) A "farm auction" is a public auction conducted by a licensed auctioneer if substantially all of the property sold consists of property used in the trade or business of farming and property not used primarily in a trade or business.

(2) "Trade or business" includes the assets of a separate division, branch, or identifiable segment of a trade or business if, before the sale, the income and expenses attributable to the separate division, branch, or identifiable segment could be separately ascertained from the books of account or record (the lease or rental of an identifiable segment does not qualify for the exemption).

(3) A "sale of substantially all of the assets of a trade or business" must occur as a single transaction or a series of related transactions occurring within the 12-month period beginning on the date of the first sale of assets intended to qualify for the exemption provided in paragraph (b), clause (5).

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 24, is amended to read:

Subd. 24. **NONPROFIT TICKETS OR ADMISSIONS.** The gross receipts from the sale or use of tickets or admissions to the premises of or events sponsored by an association, corporation or other group of persons which provides an opportunity for citizens of the state to participate in the creation, performance or appreciation of the arts and which either (1) qualifies as a tax-exempt organization within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes 1980, section 290.05, subdivision 1, clause (i), or (2) is a municipal board that promotes cultural and arts activities are exempt. The exemption provided with respect to a municipal board applies only to tickets and admissions to events sponsored by the board.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 34, is amended to read:

Subd. 34. **MOTOR VEHICLES.** The gross receipts from the sale or use of any motor vehicle taxable under the provisions of the motor vehicle excise tax laws of Minnesota shall be exempt from taxation under this chapter. Notwithstanding section 297A.25, subdivision 11, the exemption provided under this subdivision remains in effect for motor vehicles purchased by political subdivisions of the state if the vehicles are not subject to taxation under chapter 297B.

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Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 45, is amended to read:

Subd. 45. **SHIPS USED IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE.** The gross receipts from sales of, and use, storage, or consumption of:

(1) repair, replacement, and rebuilding parts and materials, and lubricants, for ships or vessels used or to be used principally in interstate or foreign commerce; and

(2) vessels with a gross registered tonnage of at least 3,000 tons are exempt.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 47. PHOTOVOLTAIC DEVICES. The gross receipts from the sale of photovoltaic devices, as defined in section 216C.06, subdivision 13, and the materials used to install, construct, repair, or replace them are exempt if the devices are used as an electric power source.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 48. WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEMS. The gross receipts from the sale of wind energy conversion systems, as defined in section 216C.06, subdivision 12, and the materials used to manufacture, install, construct, repair, or replace them are exempt if the systems are used as an electric power source.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 49. AIR COOLING EQUIPMENT. The gross receipts from the sale of equipment used for air cooling are exempt, if the equipment is purchased for conversion or replacement of an existing groundwater based once-through cooling system as required under section 103G.271, subdivision 5.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 50. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING FACILITIES. Construction materials and supplies are exempt from the tax imposed under this chapter, regardless of whether purchased by the owner or a contractor, subcontractor, or builder, if:

(1) the materials and supplies are used or consumed in constructing a new facility which reduces the flow of solid waste by creating a market for recycled office waste;

(2) the recycling process produces pulp or paper from high-grade office waste; and

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(3) the total capital investment made within a four-year period for construction of the facility exceeds \$50,000,000.

**Sec. 24. [297A.46] LOCAL GOVERNMENTS EXEMPT FROM LOCAL SALES TAXES.**

Notwithstanding any other law, ordinance, or charter provision, no political subdivision of the state shall be required to pay any general sales tax imposed by a political subdivision of the state. This provision does not apply to the local option tax under section 297A.021.

**Sec. 25. [297A.47] REPORTING OF SALES TAX ON MINNESOTA GOVERNMENTS.**

The commissioner shall estimate the amount of revenues derived from imposing the tax under this chapter and chapter 297B on state agencies and political subdivisions for each fiscal year and shall report this amount to the commissioner of finance before the time for filing reports for the fiscal year with the United States Department of Commerce. The commissioner of finance in reporting the sales and motor vehicle excise tax collections to the United States Department of Commerce shall exclude this amount from the sales and motor vehicle collections. Sales and motor vehicle excise tax revenues received from political subdivisions must be reported as intergovernmental grants or similar intergovernmental revenue. The amount of the sales and motor vehicle excise tax paid by state agencies must be reported as reduced state expenditures.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297B.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. "Purchase price" means the total consideration valued in money for a sale, whether paid in money or otherwise, provided however, that when a motor vehicle is taken in trade as a credit or as part payment on a motor vehicle taxable under Laws 1971, chapter 853, the credit or trade-in value allowed by the person selling the motor vehicle shall be deducted from the total selling price to establish the purchase price of the vehicle being sold and the trade-in allowance allowed by the seller shall constitute the purchase price of the motor vehicle accepted as a trade-in. The purchase price in those instances where the motor vehicle is acquired by gift or by any other transfer for a nominal or no monetary consideration shall also include the average value of similar motor vehicles, established by standards and guides as determined by the motor vehicle registrar. The purchase price in those instances where a motor vehicle is manufactured by a person who registers it under the laws of this state shall mean the manufactured cost of such motor vehicle and manufactured cost shall mean the amount expended for materials, labor and other properly allocable costs of manufacture, except that in the absence of actual expenditures for the manufacture of a part or all of the motor vehicle, manufactured costs shall mean the reasonable value of the completed motor vehicle.

The term "purchase price" shall not include the portion of the value of a motor vehicle due solely to modifications necessary to make the motor vehicle

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handicapped accessible. The term "purchase price" shall not include the transfer of a motor vehicle by way of gift between a husband and wife or parent and child, nor shall it include the transfer of a motor vehicle by a guardian to a ward when there is no monetary consideration and the title to such vehicle was registered in the name of the guardian, as guardian, only because the ward was a minor. There shall not be included in "purchase price" the amount of any tax imposed by the United States upon or with respect to retail sales whether imposed upon the retailer or the consumer.

#### Sec. 27. ROSEVILLE LODGING TAX.

Subdivision 1. TAX AUTHORIZED; USE OF REVENUES. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or other law, in addition to a tax authorized in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.190, the governing body of the city of Roseville may impose a tax of up to two percent on the gross receipts from the furnishing for consideration of lodging at a hotel, motel, rooming house, tourist court, or resort, other than the renting or leasing of it for a continuous period of 30 days or more, located in the city. The city may agree with the commissioner of revenue that a tax imposed under this section shall be collected by the commissioner together with the tax imposed by Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and subject to the same interest, penalties, and other rules and that its proceeds, less the cost of collection, shall be remitted to the city. The proceeds of the tax shall be dedicated to and used to pay the costs of the construction, debt service, operation, and maintenance of a public multiuse speed skating/bandy facility within the city to the extent the costs exceed any revenues derived from the lease, rental, or operation of the facility.

Subd. 2. REFERENDUM. If the city intends to impose the tax authorized by this section, it shall conduct a referendum on the issue. The question of imposing the tax must be submitted to the voters at a general election. The tax may not be imposed unless a majority of votes cast on the question of imposing the tax are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the election. The referendum must be held at a general election before December 1, 1992. This subdivision applies notwithstanding any city charter provision to the contrary.

#### Sec. 28. OCCASIONAL SALES; RETROACTIVE DATE; REFUNDS.

No refunds of tax may be paid due to the retroactive effective date of section 16 except as provided in this section. A purchaser must file a claim for refund containing the information required in Minnesota Statutes, section 289A.50 and any other information required by the commissioner, including receipts or other proof of payment. A purchaser is considered a taxpayer for purposes of section 289A.50. Notwithstanding section 289A.50, subdivision 2, a vendor who has collected a tax from the purchaser may not claim a refund under this section.

#### Sec. 29. COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE; TEMPORARY POWERS.

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Subdivision 1. APPLICABILITY. This section gives the commissioner of revenue certain temporary powers. These powers apply only to taxes imposed under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and local taxes administered by the commissioner under Minnesota Statutes, chapters 289A and 297A.

Subd. 2. PAYMENT OF TAXES. The commissioner may establish additional due dates, applicable to certain groups of taxpayers, for the payment of taxes. Unless the commissioner has the written consent of the taxpayer, the additional payment dates must not require the taxpayer to pay the tax earlier than the payment dates now provided by statute or rule. The commissioner may accept various forms of payment, including, but not limited to, financial transaction cards and electronic funds transfer.

Subd. 3. FILING OF RETURN. The commissioner may establish additional dates, applicable to certain groups of taxpayers, for the filing of tax returns. Unless the commissioner has the written consent of the taxpayer, the return due date must not be earlier than the due date now provided by statute or rule. In conducting pilot studies, the commissioner may use tax return forms with varying formats, accept electronic filed returns, and waive the taxpayer signature requirements.

Subd. 4. AGREEMENTS. The commissioner may enter written agreements with taxpayers that provide for the payment of taxes or the filing of returns at dates earlier than now provided by statute or rule. The commissioner and the taxpayer may also agree in writing to other changes from the statutory or rule requirements related to the administration of these taxes. If the taxpayer agrees to pay taxes at a date earlier than provided by statute, the commissioner may negotiate payments to the taxpayer to compensate in part or in full for the loss incurred as a result of the accelerated payment. Included under this authority, the commissioner may agree to let the taxpayer keep a percentage of the taxes collected.

Subd. 5. PERMITS; APPLICATION; REVOCATION. The commissioner may establish procedures for the issuance, renewal, revocation, and cancellation of sales tax permits. These procedures may change the permit application process, establish permit renewal procedures and timeframes, and alter the sales and use tax permit revocation process. These procedures must not impair the statutory due process rights of the taxpayer, except with the taxpayer's consent.

Subd. 6. PROCEDURE; APPROVAL. Pilot studies proposed under these authorities must be presented to the chairs of the house of representatives tax committee and the senate committee on taxes and tax laws. No study may be undertaken without the approval of both chairs. If either chair fails to respond within 15 days after the proposal is presented, that chair is considered to have approved the study. If the study is approved, the commissioner will initially seek participation on a voluntary basis from within the targeted taxpayer group.

Subd. 7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT. The powers granted under this section are not subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14.

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Subd. 8. EXPIRATION DATE. This section expires June 30, 1994. Within 90 days following the expiration date, the commissioner will prepare a report on this study for presentation to the chairs of the house of representatives tax committee and the senate committee on taxes and tax laws.

**Sec. 30. BROOKLYN CENTER; LOCAL LIQUOR AND RESTAURANT TAX.**

Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other law, the city of Brooklyn Center may by ordinance, impose a tax of one percent on the gross receipts on (1) retail on-sales of intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages when sold at licensed on-sale liquor establishments and municipal liquor stores within the city, and (2) all sales of food primarily for consumption on or off the premises by restaurants and places of refreshment within the city.

Subd. 2. USE OF REVENUES. Revenues received from taxes authorized under subdivision 1 must be used by the city to pay the cost of collecting the tax and to fund approved housing projects. Residents of at least 75 percent of any rental units and 100 percent of any homeownership units constructed or rehabilitated with revenues received under this section, must have incomes that are at or below 80 percent of the area median family income, adjusted for family size, as determined by the department of housing and urban development. Resident income shall be determined at the time of occupancy. For the purposes of this section "housing project" shall have the meaning defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.002.

Subd. 3. REFERENDUM. If the Brooklyn Center city council intends to impose the liquor and restaurant tax authorized by this section, it shall conduct a referendum on the issue. The question of imposing the tax must be submitted to the voters at a general election. The tax may not be imposed unless a majority of votes cast on the question of imposing the tax are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the election. The referendum must be held at a general election before December 1, 1992. This subdivision applies notwithstanding any city charter provision to the contrary.

Subd. 4. COLLECTION. The city may agree with the commissioner of revenue that a tax imposed pursuant to this section shall be collected by the commissioner together with the tax imposed by Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, and subject to the same interest, penalties, and other rules and that its proceeds, less the cost of collection, shall be remitted to the city. By July 1, 1992, the commissioner of revenue shall provide to the city council an estimate of the cost of collection.

Subd. 5. LOCAL APPROVAL. This section is effective upon compliance by the governing body of the city of Brooklyn Center with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

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## Sec. 31. CITY OF ELY; SALES TAX.

Subdivision 1. SALES TAX AUTHORIZED. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Ely may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one percent on sales transactions taxable pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, that occur within the city.

Subd. 2. EXCISE TAX. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Ely may by ordinance impose an excise tax of up to \$20 per motor vehicle, as defined by ordinance, purchased or acquired from any person engaged within the city in the business of selling motor vehicles at retail.

Subd. 3. USE OF REVENUES. Revenues received from taxes authorized by subdivisions 1 and 2 must be used by the city to pay the cost of collecting the tax and to pay all or a portion of the expenses of constructing, operating, promoting, and developing of facilities as part of a community revitalization project in Ely known as the Ely Wilderness Gateway project. Authorized expenses include, but are not limited to, acquiring property and paying relocation expenses related to the development of the Wilderness Gateway project and related facilities, securing or paying debt service on bonds or other obligations issued to finance the construction of Wilderness Gateway and related facilities, operating expenses of facilities and attractions, and operations to promote and develop the project as described in a strategic plan approved under section 8. For purposes of this section, "Ely Wilderness Gateway and related facilities" means a convention center, amphitheater, interpretive center, Gateway linkage facility, exhibits and program components, furnishings and equipment, tourist center, cottage industry center, wildlife enclosures, tourist attractions, museum, educational facilities, and links to municipal campgrounds and all publicly owned real or personal property adjacent to the project area that the governing body of the city determines will be necessary to facilitate the use of these facilities, including but not limited to parking, skyways, pedestrian bridges, lighting, educational and recreational trails, and landscaping. The total capital, administrative, and operating expenditures payable from bond proceeds and revenues shall not exceed \$20,000,000 for Ely Wilderness Gateway and related facilities.

Subd. 4. EXPIRATION OF TAXING AUTHORITY AND EXPENDITURE LIMITATION. The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 shall terminate on the first day of the second month next succeeding a determination by the city council that sufficient funds have been received from the taxes and bond proceeds to finance capital, administrative, and operating costs of \$20,000,000 for the Ely Wilderness Gateway and related facilities and to prepay or retire at maturity the principal, interest, and premium due on any bonds issued for the improvements. Any funds remaining after completion of the improvements and retirement or redemption of the bonds may be placed in the general fund of the city.

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Subd. 5. BONDS. The city of Ely may issue general obligation bonds of the city in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 for Ely Wilderness Gateway and related facilities, without election under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 475, on the question of issuance of the bonds or a property tax to pay them. The debt represented by bonds issued for Ely Wilderness Gateway and related facilities shall not be included in computing any debt limitations applicable to the city of Ely, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay principal of and interest on the bonds shall not be subject to any levy limitation or be included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the city.

Subd. 6. REFERENDUM. If the Ely city council intends to impose the sales and excise taxes authorized by this section, it shall conduct a referendum on the issue. The question of imposing the tax must be submitted to the voters at a general election. The tax may not be imposed unless a majority of votes cast on the question of imposing the tax are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the election. The referendum must be held at a general election before December 1, 1992. This subdivision applies notwithstanding any city charter provision to the contrary.

Subd. 7. ENFORCEMENT; COLLECTION; ADMINISTRATION OF TAXES. A sales tax imposed under this section must be reported and paid to the commissioner of revenue with the state sales taxes, and be subject to the same penalties, interest, and enforcement provisions. The proceeds of the tax, less refunds and a proportionate share of the cost of collection, shall be remitted at least quarterly to the city. The commissioner shall deduct from the proceeds remitted an amount that equals the indirect statewide cost as well as the direct and indirect department costs necessary to administer, audit, and collect the tax. By July 1, 1992, the commissioner of revenue shall provide to the city council an estimate of these costs.

Subd. 8. APPROVAL OF PLANS. A nine-member citizens committee is established. The committee shall review and, by majority vote, approve or reject strategic plans relating to the Ely Wilderness Gateway for the city of Ely. The committee shall be appointed by the Ely city council as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivisions 2 and 4. The committee shall be composed of two members of the Ely chamber of commerce, two members of the Ely area tourist board, two members of the Ely area development council, two members of the Ely city council, and one representative of a joint powers agreement between Ely and another local government.

Subd. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after final enactment.

#### Sec. 32. CITY OF THIEF RIVER FALLS; SALES TAX.

Subdivision 1. SALES TAX AUTHORIZED. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or

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city charter, the city of Thief River Falls may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one-half of one percent on sales transactions taxable pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, that occur within the city except for sales of major farm equipment subject to the tax under subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. EXCISE TAX. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Thief River Falls may by ordinance impose an excise tax of up to \$20 per motor vehicle, as defined by ordinance, purchased or acquired from any person engaged within the city in the business of selling motor vehicles at retail, and an excise tax of up to \$20 per piece of major farm equipment, as defined by ordinance, purchased or acquired from any person engaged within the city in the business of selling major farm equipment at retail.

Subd. 3. USE OF REVENUES. Revenues received from taxes authorized by subdivisions 1 and 2 must be used by the city to pay the cost of collecting the tax and to pay all or a portion of the expenses of constructing, operating, promoting, and developing of facilities as part of a community revitalization project in Thief River Falls known as the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities. Authorized expenses include, but are not limited to, acquiring property and paying relocation expenses related to the development of the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities, securing or paying debt service on bonds or other obligations issued to finance the construction of the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities, operating expenses of facilities and attractions, and operations to promote and develop the project as described in a strategic plan approved under subdivision 8. For purposes of this section, "Area Tourism-Convention Facilities" means convention facilities, rivers' beautification and reservoir management, tourist park expansion, River Walk facilities, and Depot acquisition and preservation. The total capital, administrative, and operating expenditures payable from bond proceeds and revenues shall not exceed \$15,000,000 for the Thief River Falls Area Tourism-Convention Facilities.

Subd. 4. EXPIRATION OF TAXING AUTHORITY AND EXPENDITURE LIMITATION. The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 shall terminate on the first day of the second month next succeeding a determination by the city council that sufficient funds have been received from the taxes to finance capital, administrative, and operating costs of \$15,000,000 for the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities and to prepay or retire at maturity the principal, interest, and premium due on any bonds issued for the improvements. Any funds remaining after completion of the improvements and retirement or redemption of the bonds may be placed in the general fund of the city. The taxes imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 may expire at an earlier time if the city, by ordinance, so determines, provided that sufficient funds have been received to finance obligations already incurred for the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities.

Subd. 5. BONDS. The city of Thief River Falls may issue general obligation bonds of the city in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities, without election under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 475, on the question of issuance of the bonds or a property tax to pay

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them. The debt represented by bonds issued for the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities shall not be included in computing any debt limitations applicable to the city of Thief River Falls, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay principal of and interest on the bonds shall not be subject to any levy limitation or be included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the city.

Subd. 6. REFERENDUM. If the Thief River Falls city council intends to impose the sales and excise taxes authorized by this section, it shall conduct a referendum on the issue. The question of imposing the tax must be submitted to the voters at a general election. The tax may not be imposed unless a majority of votes cast on the question of imposing the tax are in the affirmative. The commissioner of revenue shall prepare a suggested form of question to be presented at the election. The referendum must be held at a general election before December 1, 1992. This subdivision applies notwithstanding any city charter provision to the contrary.

Subd. 7. ENFORCEMENT; COLLECTION; ADMINISTRATION OF TAXES. A sales tax imposed under this section must be reported and paid to the commissioner of revenue with the state sales taxes, and be subject to the same penalties, interest, and enforcement provisions. The proceeds of the tax, less refunds and a proportionate share of the cost of collection, shall be remitted at least quarterly to the city. The commissioner shall deduct from the proceeds remitted an amount that equals the indirect statewide cost as well as the direct and indirect department costs necessary to administer, audit, and collect the tax. By July 1, 1992, the commissioner of revenue shall provide to the city council an estimate of these costs.

Subd. 8. APPROVAL OF PLANS. A representative, advisory citizens committee of not less than nine members is established. The committee shall review and, by majority vote, approve or reject strategic plans relating to the Area Tourism-Convention Facilities of Thief River Falls. The committee shall be appointed by the Thief River Falls city council as provided under Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivisions 2 and 4. The committee shall be composed of persons representative of the area.

Subd. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after final enactment.

### Sec. 33. CITY OF ROCHESTER; TAXES.

Subdivision 1. SALES AND USE TAXES AUTHORIZED. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Rochester may, by ordinance, impose an additional sales tax of up to one-half of one percent on sales transactions taxable under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 297A, that occur within the city and may also, by ordinance, impose an additional compensating use tax of up to one-half of one percent on uses of property within the city, the sale of which would be subject to the additional sales tax but for the fact that the property was sold outside the city.

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Subd. 2. EXCISE TAX AUTHORIZED. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 477A.016, or any other contrary provision of law, ordinance, or city charter, the city of Rochester may, by ordinance, impose an excise tax of up to \$20 per motor vehicle, as defined by ordinance, purchased or acquired from any person engaged within the city in the business of selling motor vehicles at retail.

Subd. 3. COLLECTION. The commissioner of revenue may enter into appropriate agreements with the city of Rochester to provide for collection by the state on behalf of the city of a tax imposed by the city of Rochester pursuant to subdivision 1 or 2. The commissioner may charge the city of Rochester from the proceeds of any tax a reasonable fee for its collection. By July 1, 1992, the commissioner of revenue shall provide the city council an estimate of the fee.

Subd. 4. ALLOCATION OF REVENUES. Revenues received from taxes authorized by subdivisions 1 and 2 must be used to pay the costs of collecting the taxes, capital and administrative costs of capital improvements for fire station, city hall, and public library facilities for which the city voters at the general election held on November 6, 1990, approved the issuance of general obligation bonds, and to pay debt service on the bonds. The total capital and administrative expenditures payable from bond proceeds and revenues received from the taxes authorized by subdivisions 1 and 2, excluding investment earnings thereon, shall not exceed \$28,760,000 for the several purposes.

Subd. 5. TERMINATION OF TAXES. The taxes imposed pursuant to subdivisions 1 and 2 shall terminate on the first day of the second month next succeeding a determination by the city council that sufficient funds have been received from the taxes to finance capital and administrative costs of \$28,760,000 for improvements for fire station, city hall, and public library facilities and to prepay or retire at maturity the principal, interest, and premium due on any bonds issued for the improvements. Any funds remaining after completion of the improvements and retirement or redemption of the bonds may be placed in the general fund of the city.

Subd. 6. BONDS. The city of Rochester, pursuant to the approval of the city voters at the general election held on November 6, 1990, may issue general obligation bonds of the city in an amount not to exceed \$28,760,000 for fire station, city hall, and public library facilities. The debt represented by the bonds shall not be included in computing any debt limitation applicable to the city, and the levy of taxes required by Minnesota Statutes, section 475.61, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds shall not be subject to any levy limitation or be included in computing or applying any levy limitation applicable to the city. The amount of any special levy for debt service for payment of principal and interest on the bonds shall not include the amount of estimated collection of revenues from the taxes imposed pursuant to subdivisions 1 and 2 that are pledged for the payment of those obligations.

Subd. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day after compliance by the governing body of the city of Rochester with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

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**Sec. 34. CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; NEIGHBORHOOD EARLY LEARNING CENTER.**

Subdivision 1. CENTERS. A neighborhood early learning center provides programs to promote the physical, emotional, and social development of all children residing in the city of Minneapolis from birth until ready to enter first grade. A center may include:

(1) way to grow school readiness programs as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 145.926;

(2) Head Start and other preschool programs;

(3) kindergarten and related programs; and

(4) other family support and child development activities which strengthen the capacity of a family to give birth to and successfully nurture healthy children.

A center shall be located as close as possible to the families and children it serves and may be housed in one structure or in structures in close proximity to each other. A center may be owned by any private or public entity other than the board established under subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. CREATION OF BOARD. Special school district No. 1 and the city of Minneapolis may establish a neighborhood early learning board under Minnesota Statutes, section 471.59, to create, manage, and operate neighborhood early learning centers on the terms and conditions agreed to by the district and the city. The Minneapolis youth coordinating board established under Laws 1985, chapter 91, may serve as the neighborhood early learning board provided that the governing bodies of special school district No. 1 and the city of Minneapolis, together with the youth coordinating board, adopt resolutions designating the youth coordinating board as the neighborhood early learning board under the authority of this section. If an existing board ceases to function, and in the absence of a new joint powers agreement creating a new board, an interim joint powers board shall govern. The interim board shall consist of five members, two of whom shall be selected by resolution of the governing body of special school district No. 1, two of whom shall be selected by resolution of the city council of the city of Minneapolis, and one of whom shall be selected by the mayor with the approval of the city council. Persons selected to serve may be elected officials from their respective bodies. Any interim board shall elect its own officers and shall serve until a new joint powers agreement establishes a new board.

Subd. 3. POWERS. The neighborhood early learning board is authorized to:

(1) manage and operate and acquire leasehold interests in neighborhood early learning centers, and all leasehold interests in centers shall be vested in the board or in another governmental unit as may be designated by the board;

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(2) employ permanent or temporary employees as it may require, and determine their qualifications, duties, and compensation;

(3) use the services of the participating local public bodies and of other political subdivisions or public bodies whose jurisdiction includes all or a part of the area of the city of Minneapolis;

(4) sublease space or assign any of its leasehold interests to any public or private entity in connection with the programs described in subdivision 1;

(5) develop criteria and request proposals for the provision of services described in subdivision 1, clauses (2) and (3), by private entities which propose to provide these services to less than 100 children at any one location, and provide financial assistance to those private entities for the costs of managing and operating a facility and providing these services;

(6) receive funds or other assistance from both private and public sources; and

(7) take other action as it deems necessary or useful to carry out its responsibilities under this section.

The board shall not exercise any control over the content or curriculum of Head Start or any programs operated by special school district No. 1. The board shall expend a portion of the operating funds received by it from the city and the school district on the services provided under clause (5).

**Subd. 4. SUPPORT BY PARTICIPANTS AND OTHER PUBLIC BODIES.** The city of Minneapolis and special school district No. 1 are authorized to appropriate money to the board, to the Minneapolis community development agency, or to each other, for use in connection with neighborhood early learning centers and facilities described in subdivision 3, clause (5), and to undertake activities in support of the purposes of the board, including the acquisition, construction, equipping, and improving of neighborhood early learning centers. Any appropriations may be subject to any conditions that the appropriating entity may establish. Other political subdivisions and public bodies whose jurisdictions include all or a part of the city of Minneapolis, including the Minneapolis community development agency, are authorized to exercise any of their powers for the purposes for which the board may act and to acquire, construct, provide facilities for, and equip neighborhood early learning centers on behalf of the city or special school district No. 1. Any appropriations may be subject to the conditions that the appropriating entity may establish. Notwithstanding any limitations in Laws 1986, chapter 396, the city of Minneapolis may appropriate the proceeds of sales and use taxes collected or received by the city under Laws 1986, chapter 396, section 4, to the board or otherwise expend the funds in support of the board's purposes, provided that the appropriation is limited to the amount of revenue accruing to the city as a result of the advance refunding of bonds issued under Laws 1986, chapter 396. Neighborhood early learning centers shall be an authorized use of the tax revenues under Laws 1986, chapter 396.

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**Sec. 35. MINNEAPOLIS TEACHERS RETIREMENT; COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND FUNDING METHOD.**

Subdivision 1. CREATION; PURPOSE. An advisory committee is created for the purpose of recommending to the legislative commission on pensions and retirement a method of funding the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association. The committee shall consider:

(1) the feasibility of the use of the convention center sales taxes to reduce the unfunded liability; and

(2) other possible options and sources of funding.

Subd. 2. MEMBERSHIP. The membership of the advisory committee shall be as follows: the mayor of Minneapolis, one member of the house of representatives who represents the city of Minneapolis to be appointed by the speaker of the house, one member of the senate who represents the city of Minneapolis to be appointed by the subcommittee on committees of the senate committee on rules and administration, the chair of special school district No. 1 or a member of the school board designated by the chair, the president of the Minneapolis city council or a member of the city council designated by the president, the president of the Minneapolis federation of teachers and one teacher currently employed by special school district No. 1 appointed by the president of the Minneapolis federation of teachers, the executive director and either one member of the board of directors of the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association or one retiree of the fund appointed by the board, and the commissioner of finance or the commissioner's designee. The legislative members shall be co-chairs of the committee.

Subd. 3. OPERATION OF COMMITTEE. The advisory committee shall make its recommendations by February 1, 1993, and shall terminate after the recommendations have been made. No per diem or expense reimbursements shall be paid to members of the committee. The actuary employed by the legislative pension commission shall provide information upon request of a chair of the committee.

Subd. 4. LOCAL APPROVAL. This section is effective the day following final enactment, after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the city council of the city of Minneapolis, and the board of special school district No. 1.

Sec. 36. Laws 1953, chapter 560, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. TAX ORDINANCE; AMENDMENT, REPEAL.** An ordinance adopted as heretofore provided in this act may be repealed or amended in the following manner: A petition signed by not less than two thousand (2,000) qualified electors of the city demanding repeal of the ordinance shall be filed with the clerk. The petition shall identify the ordinance to be repealed by title, date of

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adoption and subject matter. The signatures to the petition need not all be appended to one paper, but each signer shall state his place of residence and street number. One of the signers of each such paper shall make oath that the statements therein made are true, as he believes, and that each signature to the paper appended is the genuine signature of the person whose signature it purports to be.

Within 10 days from the date of filing such petition, the city clerk shall ascertain from the voters' register that the said petition is signed by the requisite number of qualified voters. The clerk shall attach to said petition his certificate, showing the result of said examination. If, by the clerk's certificate, the petition is shown to be insufficient, it may be amended within 10 days from the date of said clerk's certificate. The clerk shall, within 10 days after such amendment, make like examination of the amended petition, and if his certificate shall show the same to be insufficient it shall be returned to the person filing the same, without prejudice, however, to the filing of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition is deemed sufficient, the clerk shall submit the same to the council without delay. Within 10 days thereafter, the council shall provide for the submission to the electorate at the next general or special election held not less than 45 days thereafter of the question of repeal of the ordinance described in the petition. The question of repeal or amendment of said ordinance shall be submitted upon a separate ballot which shall summarize the substance of the ordinance proposed to be repealed or amended. If the majority of the electors voting upon the question vote in favor of the repeal of the ordinance, it shall be repealed or amended thereby effective on January 1 of the year next following. Such repeal shall not affect any right accrued, any duty imposed, any penalty incurred, or any proceeding commenced under or by virtue of the ordinance repealed. If taxes levied under this section are pledged to or for the benefit of any bonds issued before January 1, 1993, then no pledge, mortgage, covenant, or agreement securing the bonds may be impaired, revoked, or amended by repeal or amendment of the ordinance under this subdivision, except in accordance with the terms of the resolution or indenture under which the bonds are issued, until the obligations of the city with respect to the bonds or with respect to bonds issued to refund those bonds have been fully discharged. Any action or proceeding pending to enforce any right under the authority of the ordinance repealed shall and may be proceeded with and concluded under the ordinance in existence when the action or proceeding was instituted, notwithstanding the repeal of such ordinance.

### Sec. 37. SALES TAX EXEMPTION.

Subdivision 1. EXEMPTION. Capital equipment and building materials, regardless of whether it was purchased by the owner, contractor, subcontractor, or builder, qualifies for the exemption under Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.257, if the purchase meets the other requirements of that section.

Subd. 2. REFUNDS. The commissioner of revenue shall pay refunds of the tax exempted by subdivision 1 to the owner operator of the facility upon filing

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of proof that the tax was paid by the contractor. An amount sufficient to pay the refunds is appropriated to the commissioner from the general fund.

Subd. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for projects begun during the time a county was designated as distressed under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.257, if the capital equipment was placed in service after August 1, 1990.

Sec. 38. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 295.367, is repealed.

Sec. 39. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 24, and 28 are effective the day after final enactment.

Sections 3 and 4 are effective for tax payments due for sales made after September 30, 1992.

Sections 5 and 6 are effective July 1, 1992, and apply to refunds filed after that date.

Sections 10, 13, 22, and 26 are effective for sales made after June 30, 1992.

Sections 14, 15, and 18 are effective for sales made after May 31, 1992.

Section 16 is effective retroactive for sales made after June 30, 1991.

Section 19 is effective for all open tax years.

Sections 20 and 21 are effective for sales made after June 30, 1992, and before July 1, 1996.

Section 23 is effective for sales made on or after the date of enactment, but prior to April 1, 1994.

Section 25 is effective for fiscal year 1993 and thereafter.

Section 36 is effective the day following final enactment, and upon approval by the governing body of the city of Duluth pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021.

Section 38 is effective for sales made after December 31, 1991.

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## ARTICLE 9

## MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 16A.15, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **BUDGET AND CASH FLOW RESERVE ACCOUNT.** A budget and cash flow reserve account is created in the general fund in the state treasury. The commissioner of finance shall, as authorized from time to time by law, restrict part or all of the budgetary balance in the general fund for use as the budget and cash flow reserve account. The commissioner of finance shall transfer from the budget and cash flow reserve account the amount necessary to bring the total amount, including any existing balance in the account on ~~June 30, 1991~~ July 1, 1992, to ~~\$400,000,000~~ \$240,000,000. The amounts restricted shall remain in the account until drawn down under subdivision 1 or increased under section 16A.1541.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 69.021, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **CALCULATION OF STATE AID.** (a) The amount of fire state aid available for apportionment shall be two percent of the fire, lightning, sprinkler leakage, and extended coverage premiums reported to the commissioner by insurers on the Minnesota Firetown Premium Report ~~and two percent of the premiums reported to the commissioner by insurers on the Minnesota Aid to Police Premium Report.~~ This amount shall be reduced by the amount required to pay the state auditor's costs and expenses of the audits or exams of the firefighters relief associations.

(b) The total amount for apportionment in respect to ~~police peace officer~~ state aid ~~shall not be greater or lesser than is~~ the amount of premium taxes paid to the state upon the premiums reported to the commissioner by insurers on the Minnesota Aid to Police Premium Report ~~after subtracting,~~ plus the payment amounts received under section 60A.152 since the last aid apportionment, and reduced by the amount required to pay the state auditor's costs and expenses of the audits or exams of the police relief associations. The total amount for apportionment in respect to firefighters state aid shall not be greater or lesser than the amount of premium taxes paid to the state upon the premiums reported to the commissioner by insurers on the Minnesota Firetown Premium Report after subtracting the amount required to pay the state auditor's costs and expenses of the audits or exams of the firefighters relief associations. ~~The amount for apportionment in respect to police state aid shall be distributed to the municipalities maintaining police departments and to the county on the basis of the number of active peace officers, as certified pursuant to section 69.011, subdivision 2, clause (b).~~ The commissioner shall calculate the percentage of increase or decrease reflected in the apportionment over or under the previous year's available state aid using the same premiums as a basis for comparison.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 69.021, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **CALCULATION OF APPORTIONMENT OF STATE PEACE OFFICERS AID TO COUNTIES.** The peace officers state aid available in respect to peace officers shall not exceed the amount of tax collected and shall be distributed to the counties in proportion to the total number of active peace officers, as defined in section 69.011, subdivision 1, clause (g), in each county who are employed either by municipalities maintaining police departments or by the county. Any necessary adjustments shall be made to subsequent apportionments.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law the commissioner of revenue may,

(a) based upon the administrative costs of processing, determine minimum standards for the determination of additional tax for which an order shall be issued, and

(b) based upon collection costs as compared to the amount of tax involved, determine minimum standards of collection, and

(c) based upon the administrative costs of processing, determine the minimum amount of refunds for which an order shall be issued and refund made where no claim therefor has been filed, and

(d) ~~may~~ cancel any amounts below these minimum standards determined under (a) and (b) hereof; and

(e) based upon the inability of a taxpayer to pay a delinquent tax liability, abate the liability if the taxpayer agrees to perform uncompensated public service work for a state agency, a political subdivision or public corporation of this state, or a nonprofit educational, medical, or social service agency. The department of corrections shall administer the work program. No benefits under chapter 176 or 268 shall be available, but a claim authorized under section 3.739 may be made by the taxpayer. The state may not enter into any agreement that has the purpose of or results in the displacement of public employees by a delinquent taxpayer under this section. The state must certify to the appropriate bargaining agent or employees, as applicable, that the work performed by a delinquent taxpayer will not result in the displacement of currently employed workers or layoff from a substantially equivalent position, including partial displacement such as reduction in hours of nonovertime work, wages, or other employment benefits. The program authorized under this paragraph terminates June 30, 1993.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 270.69, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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Subd. 14. REGISTERED LAND. When a lien is filed with a county recorder under subdivision 2, the county recorder shall search the registered land records in that county and cause the lien to be memorialized on every certificate of title or certificate of possessory title of registered land in that county which can be reasonably identified as owned by the taxpayer who is named on the lien. The fees for memorializing the lien shall be paid in the manner prescribed by subdivision 2, paragraph (c). The county recorders, and their employees and agents, shall not be liable for any loss or damages arising from failure to identify a parcel of registered land owned by the taxpayer who is named on the lien.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 282.016, is amended to read:

**282.016 PROHIBITED PURCHASERS.**

No county auditor, county treasurer, court administrator of the district court, or county assessor or supervisor of assessments, or deputy or clerk or employee of such officer, and no commissioner for tax-forfeited lands or assistant to such commissioner may become a purchaser of the properties offered for sale under the provisions of this chapter, either personally, or as agent or attorney for any other person, except that such officer, deputy, court administrator, employee or commissioner for tax-forfeited lands or assistant to such commissioner may (1) purchase lands owned by that official at the time the state became the absolute owner thereof or (2) bid upon and purchase forfeited property offered for sale under the alternate sale procedure described in section 282.01, subdivision 7a.

**Sec. 7. [290.0691] DESIGNATED COUNTIES JOB CREATION CREDIT.**

Subdivision 1. DESIGNATION OF COUNTIES. The commissioner of trade and economic development shall certify counties as designated counties. A county is a designated county if:

(1) the county has had a decline in population of ten percent or more from 1980 to 1990, as determined by the 1990 federal decennial census;

(2) the county has adopted a county-wide economic development plan;

(3) the county has been designated a star county by the department of trade and economic development; and

(4) each statutory and home rule charter city in the county has established an economic development authority under sections 469.090 to 469.108.

For purposes of this section, "designated county" means a county designated by the commissioner of trade and economic development as provided under this section or a city of the second class that is designated as an economically depressed area by the United States Department of Commerce.

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Subd. 2. CREDIT FOR JOB CREATION. A business with operations located in a designated county may take a credit against the tax due under chapter 290 for its first taxable year beginning after December 31, 1992, and before January 1, 1994. For purposes of this section, "business" means a business entity organized for profit, including a sole proprietorship, partnership, or corporation, and "eligible employees" are determined as the number of persons paid an annual wage of at least \$15,000 and employed by the business within the designated county on a full-time basis on the last day of the taxable year, not to exceed the number of persons paid an annual wage of at least \$15,000 and employed by the business on a full-time basis within the designated county on the date 90 days before the last day of the taxable year. A credit is provided only for the number of eligible employees that exceeds the number of such persons so employed on the last day of the preceding taxable year. A person is not an eligible employee if the commissioner of trade and economic development determines that the position held by that employee in the business was transferred from an enterprise conducted by substantially the same business enterprise at another site in the state. The credit is equal to \$2,000 multiplied by the number of eligible employees. The credit is not refundable.

Subd. 3. LIMITATION. Tax credits provided under this section may not exceed \$200,000. If by April 15, 1994, the commissioner of revenue determines that the estimated total amount of credits claimed under this section exceeds \$200,000, the commissioner shall reduce the credit granted for each eligible employee proportionately.

#### Sec. 8. [298.227] TACONITE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND.

An amount equal to 10.4 cents per taxable ton distributed pursuant to each taconite producer's taxable production under section 298.28, subdivision 9a, for production years 1992 and 1993 shall be held by the iron range resources and rehabilitation board in a separate taconite economic development fund for each taconite producer. Money from the fund for each producer shall be released only on the written authorization of a joint committee consisting of an equal number of representatives of the salaried employees and the nonsalaried production and maintenance employees of that producer. The district 33 director of the United States Steelworkers of America, on advice of each local employee president, shall select the employee members. In nonorganized operations, the employee committee shall be elected by the nonsalaried production and maintenance employees. Each producer's joint committee may authorize release of the funds held pursuant to this section only for acquisition of equipment and facilities for the producer or for research and development in Minnesota on new mining, or taconite, iron, or steel production technology. Funds may be released only upon a majority vote of the representatives of the committee. Any portion of the fund which is not released by a joint committee within two years of its deposit in the fund shall be divided between the taconite environmental protection fund created in section 298.223 and the northeast Minnesota economic protection trust fund created in section 298.292 for placement in their respective special accounts. Two-thirds of the unreleased funds shall be distributed to the taconite

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environmental protection fund and one-third to the northeast Minnesota economic protection trust fund. This section is effective for taxes payable in 1993 and 1994.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 298.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. (a) For concentrate produced in ~~1990~~ 1992 and 1993 there is ~~hereby~~ imposed upon taconite and iron sulphides, and upon the mining and quarrying thereof, and upon the production of iron ore concentrate therefrom, and upon the concentrate so produced, a tax of ~~\$1.975~~ \$2.054 per gross ton of merchantable iron ore concentrate produced therefrom.

(b) For concentrates produced in ~~1991~~ 1994 and subsequent years, the tax rate shall be equal to the preceding year's tax rate plus an amount equal to the preceding year's tax rate multiplied by the percentage increase in the implicit price deflator from the fourth quarter of the second preceding year to the fourth quarter of the preceding year. "Implicit price deflator" for the gross national product means the implicit price deflator prepared by the bureau of economic analysis of the United States Department of Commerce.

(c) The tax shall be imposed on the average of the production for the current year and the previous two years. The rate of the tax imposed will be the current year's tax rate. This clause shall not apply in the case of the closing of a taconite facility if the property taxes on the facility would be higher if this clause and section 298.25 were not applicable.

(d) If the tax or any part of the tax imposed by this subdivision is held to be unconstitutional, a tax of ~~\$1.975~~ \$2.054 per gross ton of merchantable iron ore concentrate produced shall be imposed.

(e) Consistent with the intent of this subdivision to impose a tax based upon the weight of merchantable iron ore concentrate, the commissioner of revenue may indirectly determine the weight of merchantable iron ore concentrate included in fluxed pellets by subtracting the weight of the limestone, dolomite, or olivine derivatives or other basic flux additives included in the pellets from the weight of the pellets. For purposes of this paragraph, "fluxed pellets" are pellets produced in a process in which limestone, dolomite, olivine, or other basic flux additives are combined with merchantable iron ore concentrate. No subtraction from the weight of the pellets shall be allowed for binders, mineral and chemical additives other than basic flux additives, or moisture.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 298.28, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9a. TACONITE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND. 10.4 cents per ton for distributions in 1993 and 1994 shall be paid to the taconite economic development fund. No distribution shall be made under this subdivision in any year in which total industry production falls below 30 million tons.

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Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 373.40, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **REPEALER.** This section is repealed effective for bonds issued after July 1, ~~1993~~ 1998, but continues to apply to bonds issued before that date.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 383.06, is amended to read:

**383.06 PAYMENT OF WARRANTS; ACCOUNTS; HOW KEPT; CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO RETIRE OUTSTANDING WARRANTS.**

Subdivision 1. PAYMENT OF WARRANTS. The county treasurer shall pay warrants only from the fund from which they are legally payable. Payments under any special contract shall be kept separate under the name of such contract, and under the general title of the fund from which such payment may be legally made. The treasurer need not keep a specific appropriations account separately, but shall keep a general appropriations account.

Subd. 2. TAX ANTICIPATION CERTIFICATES. The county board may, by resolution, issue and sell as many certificates of indebtedness as may be needed in anticipation of the collection of taxes levied for any fund named in the tax levy for the purpose of raising money for such fund, but the certificates outstanding for any such separate funds shall not at any time exceed 50 percent of the amount of taxes previously levied for such fund remaining uncollected; ~~and~~ No certificate shall be issued to become due and payable later than ~~December 31 of the year succeeding the year in which the tax levy was made~~ 15 months after the deadline for the certification of the property tax levy under section 275.07, subdivision 1, and the certificates shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest. ~~No such certificates shall be issued prior to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the taxes so anticipated were intended, except that when taxes shall have been levied for the purpose of paying a deficit in any such fund carried over from any previous year or years~~ The certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of collection of the taxes levied for such deficit may be issued at any time after ~~such the levy shall have~~ has been finally made and certified to the county auditor. Each certificate shall state upon its face for which fund the proceeds thereof shall be used, the total amount of certificates so issued, and the whole amount embraced in the levy for that particular purpose. They shall be numbered consecutively, be in denominations of \$100 or a multiple thereof, may have interest coupons attached, shall be otherwise of such form and terms, and may be made payable at such place, as will best aid in their negotiation, and the proceeds of the tax assessed and collected on account of the fund and the full faith and credit of the county shall be irrevocably pledged for the redemption and payment of the certificates so issued. Such certificates shall be payable primarily from the moneys derived from the levy for the years against which such certificates were issued, but shall constitute unlimited general obligations of the county. Money derived from the sale of such certificates shall be credited to the fund or funds the taxes for which are so anticipated.

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Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 401.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. ESTABLISHMENT AND REORGANIZATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE.** Any county or group of counties which have qualified for participation in the community corrections subsidy program provided by this chapter may, ~~after consultation with the judges of the district court, county court, municipal court, probate court and juvenile court having jurisdiction in the county or group of counties~~ establish, organize, and reorganize an administrative structure and provide for the budgeting, staffing and operation of court services and probation, construction or improvement to juvenile detention and juvenile correctional facilities and adult detention and correctional facilities, and other activities required to conform to the purposes of this chapter. No contrary general or special statute divests any county or group of counties of the authority granted by this subdivision. ~~This subdivision does not apply to Ramsey County or Hennepin County or to the counties in the Arrowhead region. In Hennepin County and Ramsey County the county board and the judges of the district court, county court, municipal court, probate court and juvenile court shall prepare and implement a joint plan for reorganization of correctional services in the county providing for the administrative structure and providing for the budgeting, staffing and operation of court services and probation, juvenile detention and juvenile correctional facilities, and other activities required to conform to the purposes of this chapter. The joint plan shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner of corrections and submitted to the legislature on or before January 15, 1983.~~

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 401.05, is amended to read:

#### 401.05 FISCAL POWERS.

**Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION TO USE AND ACCEPT FUNDS.** Any county or group of counties electing to come within the provisions of sections 401.01 to 401.16, may, through their governing bodies, use unexpended funds, accept gifts, grants and subsidies from any lawful source, and apply for and accept federal funds.

**Subd. 2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; BONDS; LEASES.** (a) A county or group of counties which acquires facilities under section 401.04 or constructs the facilities may finance the acquisition or construction and the equipping and subsequent improvement of the facilities in whole or in part by:

(1) the issuance of general obligation bonds of the county or group of counties in the manner provided in chapter 475; or

(2) the issuance of revenue bonds, secured by a lease agreement as provided in subdivision 3 and sections 469.152 to 469.165, by a city situated in any of the counties or a county housing and redevelopment authority established pursuant to chapter 469 or special law.

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Proceedings for the issuance of general obligation bonds shall be instituted by the board of county commissioners of the county or boards of the group of counties.

(b) If counties have combined as authorized in section 401.02, the joint powers board created under section 471.59 shall, with the approval of the county board of each county which is a party:

(1) fix the total amount necessary for the construction or acquisition and the equipping and subsequent improvement of the facilities; and

(2) apportion to each county its share of this amount or of the annual debt service or lease rentals required to pay this amount with interest, as provided in subdivision 4.

Subd. 3. LEASING. (a) A county or joint powers board of a group of counties which acquires or constructs and equips or improves facilities under this chapter may, with the approval of the board of county commissioners of each county, enter into a lease agreement with a city situated within any of the counties, or a county housing and redevelopment authority established under chapter 469 or any special law. Under the lease agreement, the city or county housing and redevelopment authority shall:

(1) construct or acquire and equip or improve a facility in accordance with plans prepared by or at the request of a county or joint powers board of the group of counties and approved by the commissioner of corrections; and

(2) finance the facility by the issuance of revenue bonds.

(b) The county or joint powers board of a group of counties may lease the facility site, improvements, and equipment for a term upon rental sufficient to produce revenue for the prompt payment of the revenue bonds and all interest accruing on them. Upon completion of payment, the lessee shall acquire title. The real and personal property acquired for the facility constitutes a project and the lease agreement constitutes a revenue agreement as provided in sections 469.152 to 469.165. All proceedings by the city or county housing and redevelopment authority and the county or joint powers board shall be as provided in sections 469.152 to 469.165, with the following adjustments:

(1) no tax may be imposed upon the property;

(2) the approval of the project by the commissioner of trade and economic development is not required;

(3) the department of corrections shall be furnished and shall record information concerning each project as it may prescribe, in lieu of reports required on other projects to the commissioner of trade and economic development or the energy and economic development authority;

(4) the rentals required to be paid under the lease agreement shall not exceed in any year one-tenth of one percent of the market value of property

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within the county or group of counties as last equalized before the execution of the lease agreement;

(5) the county or group of counties shall provide for payment of all rentals due during the term of the lease agreement in the manner required in subdivision 4;

(6) no mortgage on the facilities shall be granted for the security of the bonds, but compliance with clause (5) may be enforced as a nondiscretionary duty of the county or group of counties; and

(7) the county or the joint powers board of the group of counties may sublease any part of the facilities for purposes consistent with their maintenance and operation.

Subd. 4. TAX LEVIES; APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS. The county or each county of the group of counties shall annually levy a tax in an amount necessary to defray its proportion of the net costs of maintenance and operation of the facilities, and shall levy a tax to pay the cost of construction or acquisition, equipping, and any subsequent improvement to the facilities or the retirement of any bonds or required lease payments for these purposes. Each county may levy these taxes without limitation on the rate or amount. This levy shall not cause the amount of other taxes levied or to be levied by the county, which are subject to any limitation, to be reduced in any amount. A joint powers board of the group of counties shall apportion the costs of maintenance and operation, construction or acquisition, equipping, and subsequent improvement of the facilities to each of the counties according to a formula in the agreement entered into by the counties.

Subd. 5. CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES FUND. All money received for the operation and maintenance, payment of indebtedness or lease payments, and construction or acquisition, equipping, and subsequent improvement of the facilities must be deposited in a correctional facilities fund maintained in the treasury of the county in which the facilities are located or any county treasury of the group of counties as designated by the joint powers board. Payments from the fund shall only be made upon certification of the chair or board designee that the expenditures have been approved at a meeting of the board.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 462A.22, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. The aggregate principal amount of bonds and notes which are outstanding at any time, excluding the principal amount of any bonds and notes refunded by the issuance of new bonds or notes, shall not exceed the sum of ~~\$1,990,000,000~~ \$2,400,000,000.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.004, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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Subdivision 1. **PRELIMINARY COUNTY FINDINGS AND DECLARATION.** There is created in each county in this state ~~other than Ramsey and~~ other than those counties in which a county housing authority has been created by special act, a public body, corporate and politic, to be known as the housing and redevelopment authority of that county, hereinafter referred to as "county authority." No county authority shall transact any business or exercise any powers until the governing body of the county, by resolution, finds that there is need for a county authority to function in the county. The governing body shall consider the need for a county authority to function (1) on the governing body's own motion or (2) upon the filing of a petition signed by 25 qualified voters of the county asserting that there is need for a county authority to function in the county and requesting that the governing body so declare. The governing body shall adopt a resolution declaring that there is need for a county authority to function in the county if it makes the findings required in section 469.003, subdivision 1.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.004, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. RAMSEY COUNTY AUTHORITY. Ramsey county may exercise the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority. Before the commencement of a project by Ramsey county acting as a housing and redevelopment authority, the governing body of the municipality in which the project is to be located shall, by majority vote, approve the project as recommended by the authority. The authority granted to Ramsey county under this subdivision and section 16 terminates June 30, 1994, providing that obligations incurred by the county before that date shall remain in effect according to their terms.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.034, is amended to read:

**469.034 BOND ISSUE FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES.**

Subdivision 1. AUTHORITY AND REVENUE OBLIGATIONS. An authority may issue bonds for any of its corporate purposes. The bonds may be the type the authority determines, including bonds on which the principal and interest are payable exclusively from the income and revenues of the project financed with the proceeds of the bonds, or exclusively from the income and revenues of certain designated projects, whether or not they are financed in whole or in part with the proceeds of the bonds. The bonds may be additionally secured by (1) a pledge of any grant or contributions from the federal government or other source, or (2) a pledge of any income or revenues of the authority from the project for which the proceeds of the bonds are to be used, or (3) a mortgage of any project or other property of the authority.

Subd. 2. GENERAL OBLIGATION REVENUE BONDS. (a) An authority may pledge the general obligation of the general jurisdiction governmental unit as additional security for bonds payable from income or revenues of the project or the authority. The authority must find that the pledged revenues will equal or

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exceed 110 percent of the principal and interest due on the bonds for each year. The proceeds of the bonds must be used for a qualified housing development project or projects. The obligations must be issued and sold in the manner and following the procedures provided by chapter 475, except the obligations are not subject to approval by the electors. The authority is the municipality for purposes of chapter 475.

(b) The principal amount of the issue must be approved by the governing body of the general jurisdiction governmental unit whose general obligation is pledged. Public hearings must be held on issuance of the obligations by both the authority and the general jurisdiction governmental unit. The hearings must be held at least 15 days, but not more than 120 days, before the sale of the obligations.

(c) The maximum amount of general obligation bonds that may be issued and outstanding under this section equals the greater of (1) one-half of one percent of the taxable market value of the general jurisdiction governmental unit whose general obligation which includes a tax on property is pledged, or (2) \$3,000,000. In the case of county or multicounty general obligation bonds, the outstanding general obligation bonds of all cities in the county or counties issued under this subdivision must be added in calculating the limit under clause (1).

(d) "General jurisdiction governmental unit" means the city in which the housing development project is located. In the case of a county or multicounty authority, the county or counties may act as the general jurisdiction governmental unit. In the case of a multicounty authority, the pledge of the general obligation is a pledge of a tax on the taxable property in each of the counties.

(e) "Qualified housing development project" means a housing development project providing housing either for the elderly or for individuals and families with incomes not greater than 80 percent of the median family income as estimated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the standard metropolitan statistical area or the nonmetropolitan county in which the project is located. A qualified housing development project may admit nonelderly individuals and families with higher incomes if:

(1) three years have passed since initial occupancy;

(2) the authority finds the project is experiencing unanticipated vacancies resulting in insufficient revenues, because of changes in population or other unforeseen circumstances that occurred after the initial finding of adequate revenues; and

(3) the authority finds a tax levy or payment from general assets of the general jurisdiction governmental unit will be necessary to pay debt service on the bonds if higher income individuals or families are not admitted.

Subd. 3. REVENUE FROM OTHER PROJECTS. No proceeds of bonds issued for or revenue authorized for or derived from any redevelopment project

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or area shall be used to pay the bonds or costs of, or make contributions or loans to, any public housing project. The proceeds of bonds issued for or revenues authorized for or derived from any one public housing project shall not be used to pay the bonds or costs of, or make contributions or loans to any other public housing project until the bonds and costs of the public housing project for which those bonds were issued or from which those revenues were derived or for which they were authorized shall be fully paid.

**Subd. 4. BOND TERMS.** Neither the commissioners of an authority nor any person executing the bonds shall be liable personally on the bonds by reason of the issuance thereof. Except as provided in subdivision 2, the bonds of an authority shall not be a debt of the city, the state, or any political subdivision, and neither the city nor the state or any political subdivision shall be liable on them, nor shall the bonds be payable out of any funds or properties other than those of the authority; the bonds shall state this on their face. The bonds shall not constitute an indebtedness within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction, except as provided in subdivision 2. Bonds of an authority are declared to be issued for an essential public and governmental purpose and to be public instrumentalities.

**Subd. 5. TAX EXEMPTION.** The provisions of sections 469.001 to 469.047 exempting from taxation authorities, their properties and income, shall be considered additional security for the repayment of bonds and shall constitute, by virtue of sections 469.001 to 469.047 and without the same being restated in the bonds, a contract between the (1) bondholders and each of them, including all transferees of the bonds, and (2) the respective authorities issuing the bonds and the state. An authority may by covenant confer upon the holder of the bonds the rights and remedies it deems necessary or advisable, including the right in the event of default to have a receiver appointed to take possession of and operate the project. When the obligations issued by an authority to assist in financing the development of a project have been retired and federal contributions have been discontinued, the exemptions from taxes and special assessments for that project shall terminate.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.153, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

**Subd. 2. PROJECT.** (a) "Project" means (1) any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with a revenue producing enterprise, or any combination of two or more such enterprises engaged or to be engaged in generating, transmitting, or distributing electricity, assembling, fabricating, manufacturing, mixing, processing, storing, warehousing, or distributing any products of agriculture, forestry, mining, or manufacture, or in research and development activity in this field; (2) any properties, real or personal, used or useful in the abatement or control of noise, air, or water pollution, or in the disposal of solid wastes, in connection with a revenue producing enterprise, or any combination of two or more such enterprises engaged or to be engaged in any business or industry; (3) any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with

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the business of telephonic communications, conducted or to be conducted by a telephone company, including toll lines, poles, cables, switching, and other electronic equipment and administrative, data processing, garage, and research and development facilities; (4) any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with a district heating system, consisting of the use of one or more energy conversion facilities to produce hot water or steam for distribution to homes and businesses, including cogeneration facilities, distribution lines, service facilities, and retrofit facilities for modifying the user's heating or water system to use the heat energy converted from the steam or hot water.

(b) "Project" also includes any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with a revenue producing enterprise, or any combination of two or more such enterprises engaged in any business.

(c) "Project" also includes any properties, real or personal, used or useful for the promotion of tourism in the state. Properties may include hotels, motels, lodges, resorts, recreational facilities of the type that may be acquired under section 471.191, and related facilities.

(d) "Project" also includes any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with a revenue producing enterprise, whether or not operated for profit, engaged in providing health care services, including hospitals, nursing homes, and related medical facilities.

(e) "Project" does not include any property to be sold or to be affixed to or consumed in the production of property for sale, and does not include any housing facility to be rented or used as a permanent residence.

(f) "Project" also means the activities of any revenue producing enterprise involving the construction, fabrication, sale, or leasing of equipment or products to be used in gathering, processing, generating, transmitting, or distributing solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, agricultural or forestry energy crops, or other alternative energy sources for use by any person or any residential, commercial, industrial, or governmental entity in heating, cooling, or otherwise providing energy for a facility owned or operated by that person or entity.

(g) "Project" also includes any properties, real or personal, used or useful in connection with a county jail ~~or~~ county regional jail, community corrections facilities authorized by chapter 401, or other law enforcement facilities, the plans for which are approved by the commissioner of corrections; provided that the provisions of section 469.155, subdivisions 7 and 13, do not apply to those projects.

(h) "Project" also includes any real properties used or useful in furtherance of the purposes and policies of sections 469.135 to 469.141.

(i) "Project" also includes related facilities as defined by section 471A.02, subdivision 11.

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(j) "Project" also includes an undertaking to purchase the obligations of local governments located in whole or in part within the boundaries of the municipality that are issued or to be issued for public purposes.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 508.25, is amended to read:

**508.25 RIGHTS OF PERSON HOLDING CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.**

Every person receiving a certificate of title pursuant to a decree of registration and every subsequent purchaser of registered land who receives a certificate of title in good faith and for a valuable consideration shall hold it free from all encumbrances and adverse claims, excepting only the estates, mortgages, liens, charges, and interests as may be noted in the last certificate of title in the office of the registrar, and also excepting any of the following rights or encumbrances subsisting against it, if any:

- (1) liens, claims, or rights arising or existing under the laws or the constitution of the United States, which this state cannot require to appear of record;
- (2) the lien of any real property tax or special assessment for which the land has not been sold at the date of the certificate of title;
- (3) any lease for a period not exceeding three years when there is actual occupation of the premises thereunder;
- (4) all rights in public highways upon the land;
- (5) the right of appeal, or right to appear and contest the application, as is allowed by this chapter;
- (6) the rights of any person in possession under deed or contract for deed from the owner of the certificate of title; and
- (7) any outstanding mechanics lien rights which may exist under sections 514.01 to 514.17; and
- ~~(8) any lien for state taxes.~~

No existing or future lien for state taxes arising under the laws of this state for the nonpayment of any amounts due under chapter 268 or any tax administered by the commissioner of revenue may encumber title to lands registered under this chapter unless filed under the terms of this chapter.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 1991 Supplement, section 508A.25, is amended to read:

**508A.25 RIGHTS OF PERSON HOLDING CPT.**

Every person holding a CPT issued pursuant to sections 508A.01 to 508A.85 who has acquired title in good faith and for a valuable consideration

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shall hold the same free from all encumbrances and adverse claims, excepting only estates, mortgages, liens, charges, and interests as may be noted by separate memorials in the latest CPT in the office of the registrar, and also excepting the memorial provided in section 508A.351 and any of the following rights or encumbrances subsisting against the same, if any:

(1) Liens, claims, or rights arising or existing under the laws or the constitution of the United States, which this state cannot require to appear of record;

(2) The lien of any real property tax or special assessment for which the land has not been sold at the date of the CPT;

(3) Any lease for a period not exceeding three years when there is actual occupation of the premises under it;

(4) All rights in public highways upon the land;

(5) The rights of any person in possession under deed or contract for deed from the owner of the CPT;

(6) Any liens, encumbrances, and other interests that may be contained in the examiner's supplemental directive issued pursuant to section 508A.22, subdivision 2;

(7) Any claims that may be made pursuant to section 508A.17 within five years from the date the examiner's supplemental directive is filed on the CPT; and

(8) Any outstanding mechanics lien rights which may exist under sections 514.01 to 514.17; and

~~(9) any lien for state taxes.~~

No existing or future lien for state taxes arising under the laws of this state for the nonpayment of any amounts due under chapter 268 or any tax administered by the commissioner of revenue may encumber title to lands registered under this chapter unless filed under the terms of this chapter.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 641.24, is amended to read:

#### 641.24 LEASING.

The county may, by resolution of the county board, enter into a lease agreement with any statutory or home rule charter city situated within the county, or a county housing and redevelopment authority established pursuant to chapter ~~462~~ 469 or any special law whereby the city or county housing and redevelopment authority will construct a jail or other law enforcement facilities for the county sheriff, deputy sheriffs, and other employees of the sheriff and other law enforcement agencies, in accordance with plans prepared by or at the request of the county board and, when required, approved by the commissioner of correc-

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tions and will finance it by the issuance of revenue bonds, and the county may lease the jail site and improvements for a term and upon rentals sufficient to produce revenue for the prompt payment of the bonds and all interest accruing thereon and, upon completion of payment, will acquire title thereto. The real and personal property acquired for the jail shall constitute a project and the lease agreement shall constitute a revenue agreement as contemplated in chapter 474 469, and all proceedings shall be taken by the city or county housing and redevelopment authority and the county in the manner and with the force and effect provided in chapter 474 469; provided that:

- (1) no tax shall be imposed upon or in lieu of a tax upon the property;
- (2) the approval of the project by the commissioner of commerce shall not be required;
- (3) the department of corrections shall be furnished and shall record such information concerning each project as it may prescribe, in lieu of reports required on other projects to the commissioner of trade and economic development;
- (4) the rentals required to be paid under the lease agreement shall not exceed in any year one-tenth of one percent of the market value of property within the county, as last finally equalized before the execution of the agreement;
- (5) the county board shall provide for the payment of all rentals due during the term of the lease, in the manner required in section 641.264, subdivision 2;
- (6) no mortgage on the jail property shall be granted for the security of the bonds, but compliance with clause (5) hereof may be enforced as a nondiscretionary duty of the county board; and
- (7) the county board may sublease any part of the jail property for purposes consistent with the maintenance and operation of a county jail or other law enforcement facility.

Sec. 23. Laws 1971, chapter 773, section 1, subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1974, chapter 351, section 5, Laws 1976, chapter 234, section 7, Laws 1978, chapter 788, section 1, Laws 1981, chapter 369, section 1, Laws 1983, chapter 302, section 1, and Laws 1988, chapter 513, section 1, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. For each of the years through ~~1993~~, inclusive 1998, the city of St. Paul is authorized to issue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$8,000,000 for each year; or in an amount equal to one-fourth of one percent of the assessors estimated market value of taxable property in St. Paul, whichever is greater, provided that no more than \$8,000,000 of bonds is authorized to be issued in any year, unless St. Paul's local general obligation debt as defined in this section is less than six percent of market value calculated as of December 31

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of the preceding year; but at no time shall the aggregate principal amount of bonds authorized exceed ~~\$11,300,000 in 1987, \$12,000,000 in 1988, \$13,300,000 in 1989, \$14,000,000 in 1990, \$14,800,000 in 1991, \$15,700,000 in 1992, and \$16,600,000 in 1993, \$16,600,000 in 1994, \$16,600,000 in 1995, \$17,500,000 in 1996, \$17,500,000 in 1997, and \$18,000,000 in 1998.~~

Sec. 24. Laws 1971, chapter 773, section 2, as amended by Laws 1978, chapter 788, section 2, Laws 1983, chapter 302, section 2, and Laws 1988, chapter 513, section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. The proceeds of all bonds issued pursuant to section 1 hereof shall be used exclusively for the acquisition, construction, and repair of capital improvements and, commencing in the year ~~1989~~ 1992 and notwithstanding any provision in Laws 1978, chapter 788, section 5, as amended, for redevelopment project activities as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.002, subdivision 14, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 469.041, clause (6). The amount of proceeds of bonds authorized by section 1 used for redevelopment project activities shall not exceed ~~\$530,000 in 1988, \$560,000 in 1989, \$590,000 in 1990, \$620,000 in 1991, \$655,000 in 1992, and \$690,000 in 1993, \$690,000 in 1994, \$690,000 in 1995, \$700,000 in 1996, \$700,000 in 1997, and \$725,000 in 1998.~~

None of the proceeds of any bonds so issued shall be expended except upon projects which have been reviewed, and have received a priority rating, from a capital improvements committee consisting of 18 members, of whom a majority shall not hold any paid office or position under the city of St. Paul. The members shall be appointed by the mayor, with at least four members from each Minnesota senate district located entirely within the city and at least two members from each senate district located partly within the city. Prior to making an appointment to a vacancy on the capital improvement budget committee, the mayor shall consult the legislators of the senate district in which the vacancy occurs. The priorities and recommendations of the committee shall be purely advisory, and no buyer of any bonds shall be required to see to the application of the proceeds.

#### Sec. 25. JOINT TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The city of St. Paul, independent school district No. 625, and Ramsey county may establish a St. Paul joint tax levy advisory committee. The committee shall elect a chair from among its members and shall meet from time to time to make appropriate recommendations for the efficient and effective use of property tax dollars raised by levies by the jurisdictions for programs, buildings, and operations.

#### Sec. 26. RICHFIELD; TAX INCREMENT.

Subdivision 1. COMPUTATION OF TAX INCREMENT. Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), the governing body of the city of Richfield may change its election of a method for computing tax increment for the tax increment financing district certified on December 5, 1985, and known as the Interstate, Lyndale, Nicollet District. The governing body may change its election from the computation in

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Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), to the computation in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.177, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), or the alternative method described in subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. ALTERNATIVE CALCULATION METHOD. Pursuant to the election authorized in subdivision 1, the governing body of the city of Richfield may elect the following method of computation:

(1) The original net tax capacity must be determined before the application of the fiscal disparity provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 473F. The current net tax capacity must exclude any fiscal disparity commercial-industrial net tax capacity increase between the original year and the current year multiplied by a ratio that is less than the fiscal disparity ratio determined pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 473F.08, subdivision 6. The ratio, which must be a percentage of the fiscal disparity ratio, must be determined by the governing body and must remain in effect during the term of the district. Where the original net tax capacity is equal to or greater than the current net tax capacity, there is no captured net tax capacity and no tax increment determination.

(2) The county auditor shall exclude the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority from the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts in determining local taxing district tax capacity rates. The tax capacity rates so determined must be extended against the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority as well as the net tax capacity of the local taxing districts. The tax generated by the extension of the lesser of (i) the local taxing district tax capacity rates or (ii) the original tax capacity rate to the retained captured net tax capacity of the authority is the tax increment of the authority.

#### Sec. 27. MINNEAPOLIS; PLAZA AND PARKING BONDS.

Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION. The city of Minneapolis may issue and sell general obligation bonds for the acquisition of land for and the construction of:

(1) a plaza and public parking facility adjacent to a federal courts facility to be located in downtown Minneapolis;

(2) a city garage and parking facility to replace facilities located on property to be used for the federal courts facility; and

(3) a connecting tunnel and other appurtenant facilities.

Subd. 2. CONDITIONS. The bonds shall be issued and sold under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 475, except that the bonds are not subject to the election requirements of chapter 475 or the charter of the city regardless of the amount of the bonds. The bonds shall not be included in computing the net debt of the city under law or charter. The powers granted by this section are in addition to the powers which the city may exercise under other law or charter.

#### Sec. 28. CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; DURATION OF TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT.

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Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 1, the duration of the Laurel Village tax increment financing district, district No. 64, located within the city of Minneapolis, may be extended by the authority through the year 2015. Any increment received for the years 2013 to 2015 may only be utilized to pay obligations provided for under the Laurel Village contract for private development, including use for payment of or to secure payment of, debt service on bonds issued in aid of the Laurel Village project or bonds issued to refund those bonds. Any increment received for years 2013 to 2015 that is not used for the purposes described in this section must be paid proportionately to the municipality, county, and school district as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 469.176, subdivision 2.

#### Sec. 29. ST. LOUIS PARK; TAX INCREMENT.

Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION. The city of St. Louis Park, or its redevelopment agencies, may create a hazardous substance subdistrict within the Excelsior Boulevard redevelopment project ("district"), under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.175, subdivision 7, and issue bonds or other obligations payable in whole or in part from increment derived from the subdistrict or district upon a finding by city resolution that establishment of a subdistrict will facilitate environmental remediation and reduce the likelihood of litigation. The request for certification of the subdistrict must be filed with the county auditor before December 1, 1995. The city may defer receipt of the first increment from a subdistrict for up to three years following certification. Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.174, subdivision 7, paragraph (c); and 469.176, subdivisions 1, paragraph (d); 4e; 6; and 7, do not apply to a subdistrict. Nothing in this section affects the liability of persons for costs or damages associated with the release of hazardous substances, the city's right to pursue responsible parties or reimbursement under applicable insurance contracts, or the city's liability under Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.04, subdivision 4. The powers granted are in addition to other powers of the city.

Subd. 2. RESTRICTIONS; SUBDISTRICT SIZE. The subdistrict created under this section must be contiguous and may not exceed 20 acres.

Subd. 3. QUALIFICATION RULES. Before creation of a subdistrict under subdivision 1, the governing body of the city of St. Louis Park must find that the sum of remediation costs related to the subdistrict and deposits to the indemnification fund or premiums for the purchase of private environmental insurance necessary to develop the site exceeds the estimated fair market value of the land in the subdistrict after completion of all necessary remediation activities and provision of indemnification under the plan.

Subd. 4. LIMITS ON SPENDING INCREMENTS; POOLING RULES. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.1763, do not apply to the subdistrict created under this section. Revenues derived from tax increments from the subdistrict may be spent only on:

- (1) remediation and associated costs related to the area contained in the

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subdistrict, including the activities outside of the subdistrict to the extent necessary to prevent contaminants moving to or from the site;

(2) deposits to an indemnification fund or the purchase of environmental insurance, relating only to liability or additional remediation costs for contaminated parcels located in the subdistrict; and

(3) administrative expenses and costs permitted under Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.176, subdivision 4h.

After sufficient revenues derived from tax increments have been received to pay all remediation costs, deposits to an indemnification fund or insurance premiums, and administrative and other qualifying costs the subdistrict must be decertified.

Subd. 5. STATE AID REDUCTIONS. The state aid reductions under Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.1399, do not apply to the subdistrict, if the city elects to pay and pays 25 percent of the remediation costs and deposits to the indemnification fund out of its general fund, a property tax levy for that purpose, or other unrestricted city money (other than tax increments). The city must elect this option at the time of certification of the district and must notify the commissioner of revenue of its election. The election is irrevocable.

Subd. 6. DEFINITION. For purposes of this section, "remediation" means activity constituting "removal," "remedy," "remedial action," or "response" as those terms are defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.02. Remediation costs include activities, including installation of public infrastructure, necessary to accomplish remediation.

Subd. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the city of St. Louis Park with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

#### Sec. 30. ST. PAUL; TAX INCREMENT.

Subdivision 1. AUTHORIZATION. The city of St. Paul, or its redevelopment agencies, may create a hazardous substance subdistrict in the Lower Payne Avenue study area, under Minnesota Statutes, section 469.175, subdivision 7, and issue bonds or other obligations payable in whole or in part from increment derived from the subdistrict or district upon a finding by city resolution that establishment of a subdistrict will facilitate environmental remediation and reduce the likelihood of litigation. The request for certification of the subdistrict must be filed with the county auditor before December 1, 1995. The city may defer receipt of the first increment from a subdistrict for up to three years following certification. Minnesota Statutes, sections 469.174, subdivision 7, paragraph (c); and 469.176, subdivisions 1, paragraph (d); 4e; 6; and 7, do not apply to a subdistrict. Nothing in this section affects the liability of persons for costs or damages associated with the release of hazardous substances, the city's right to pursue responsible parties or reimbursement under applicable insurance con-

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tracts, or the city's liability under Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.04, subdivision 4. The powers granted are in addition to other powers of the city.

Subd. 2. RESTRICTIONS; SUBDISTRICT SIZE. The subdistrict created under this section must be contiguous and may not exceed ten acres.

Subd. 3. QUALIFICATION RULES. Before creation of a subdistrict under subdivision 1, the governing body of the city of St. Paul must find that the sum of remediation costs related to the subdistrict and deposits to the indemnification fund or premiums for the purchase of private environmental insurance necessary to develop the site exceeds the estimated fair market value of the land in the subdistrict after completion of all necessary remediation activities and provision of indemnification under the plan.

Subd. 4. LIMITS ON SPENDING INCREMENTS; POOLING RULES. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.1763, do not apply to the subdistrict created under this section. Revenues derived from tax increments from the subdistrict may be spent only on:

(1) remediation and associated costs related to the area contained in the subdistrict, including the activities outside of the subdistrict to the extent necessary to prevent contaminants moving to or from the site;

(2) deposits to an indemnification fund or the purchase of environmental insurance, relating only to liability or additional remediation costs for contaminated parcels located in the subdistrict; and

(3) administrative expenses and costs permitted under Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.176, subdivision 4h.

After sufficient revenues derived from tax increments have been received to pay all remediation costs, deposits to an indemnification fund or insurance premiums, and administrative and other qualifying costs the subdistrict must be decertified.

Subd. 5. STATE AID REDUCTIONS. (a) The state aid reductions under Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 273.1399, do not apply to the subdistrict, if the city elects to pay and pays 25 percent of the remediation costs and deposits to the indemnification fund out of its general fund, a property tax levy for that purpose, or other unrestricted city money (other than tax increments). The city must elect this option at the time of certification of the district and must notify the commissioner of revenue of its election. The election is irrevocable.

(b) If the city elects this option, tax capacity captured by the subdistrict must not be included in the calculation of state aid reduction for the district under Minnesota Statutes, section 273.1399.

Subd. 6. DEFINITION. For purposes of this section, "remediation" means activity constituting "removal," "remedy," "remedial action," or "response" as those terms are defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 115B.02. Remediation

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costs include activities, including installation of public infrastructure, necessary to accomplish remediation.

Subd. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon compliance by the city of St. Paul with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

**Sec. 31. APPROPRIATIONS; TAX SAMPLE.**

\$75,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of revenue for purposes of preparing a microdata sample of individual income tax returns and other data for taxable year 1991. This appropriation may be used in either fiscal year 1992 or 1993.

**Sec. 32. APPROPRIATION.**

\$1,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Minnesota housing finance agency to be deposited in the housing trust fund account created under Minnesota Statutes, section 462A.201, and used for the purposes provided in that section.

**Sec. 33. REPEALER.**

Section 7 is repealed effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1993.

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 298.24, subdivision 4, is repealed.

**Sec. 34. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 2 and 3 are effective July 1, 1992.

Sections 4, 13, 14, 15, 19, and 22 are effective the day following final enactment.

Section 5 is effective for liens filed on or after the day following final enactment.

Section 12 is effective for certificates of indebtedness issued after the day of final enactment.

Sections 20 and 21 are effective retroactively to December 31, 1991.

Sections 23 and 24 are effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the governing body of the city of St. Paul.

Section 26 is effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the governing body of the city of Richfield.

Section 27 is effective the day after compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3, by the governing body of the city of Minneapolis.

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Presented to the governor April 17, 1992

Signed by the governor April 24, 1992, 11:13 a.m.

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**CHAPTER 512—H.F.No. 1985**

*An act relating to the environment; providing protection from liability for releases of hazardous substances to persons not otherwise liable who undertake and complete cleanup actions under an approved cleanup plan; providing for submission and approval of cleanup plans and supervision of cleanup by the commissioner of the pollution control agency; authorizing the commissioner of the pollution control agency to issue determinations or enter into agreements with property owners near the source of releases of hazardous substances regarding future cleanup liability; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115B.17, subdivision 14; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115B.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115B.17, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **REQUESTS FOR REVIEW, INVESTIGATION, AND OVERSIGHT.** (a) The commissioner may, upon request, assist a person in determining whether real property has been the site of a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. The commissioner may also assist in, or supervise, the development and implementation of reasonable and necessary response actions. Assistance may include review of agency records and files, and review and approval of a requester's investigation plans and reports and response action plans and implementation.

(b) The person requesting assistance under this subdivision shall pay the agency for the agency's cost, as determined by the commissioner, of providing assistance. Money received by the agency for assistance under this section must be deposited in the environmental response, compensation, and compliance fund.

(c) When a person investigates a release or threatened release in accordance with an investigation plan approved by the commissioner under this subdivision, the investigation does not associate that person with the release or threatened release for the purpose of section 115B.03, subdivision 3, paragraph (d).

Sec. 2. **[115B.175] VOLUNTARY RESPONSE ACTIONS; LIABILITY PROTECTION; PROCEDURES.**

Subdivision 1. PROTECTION FROM LIABILITY; SCOPE. (a) Subject to the provisions of this section, a person who is not otherwise responsible under sections 115B.01 to 115B.18 for a release or threatened release will not be

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