

CHAPTER 161—H.F.No. 1454

An act relating to the city of Hutchinson; permitting the city to erect certain signs.

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

Section 1. HUTCHINSON SIGNS; DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS.

The city of Hutchinson may publicize by city signs the fact that it is the residence of a person distinguished in art, literature, or music and may, after consultation with the commissioner of transportation, erect the signs either on or off trunk highway right-of-way. Signs erected under this section are not subject to the permit requirement of Minnesota Statutes, section 173.03.

Sec. 2. LOCAL APPROVAL.

This act takes effect the day after the governing body of the city of Hutchinson complies with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor May 11, 1993

Signed by the governor May 14, 1993, 9:11 a.m.

CHAPTER 162—H.F.No. 962

An act relating to metropolitan government; requiring a classroom noise study.

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

Section 1. AIRPORT NOISE STUDY.

The metropolitan airports commission in consultation with representatives of the school districts adjacent to the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport shall conduct a study that identifies appropriate noise criteria for assessing aircraft noise impact in classroom situations. The study shall develop realistic noise criteria taking into account basic speech communication needs and recognizing real-life situations where ambient noise, due either to aircraft or other noise sources, varies in nature at different times. The realistic noise criteria will be different from the design values used in the original classroom acoustic design, due to the consideration of noise from aircraft and other noise sources in addition to background, steady state noise. The study must take into account the impact of noise characteristics including the:

- (1) level of intruding aircraft noise signals compared to speech signals;
- (2) duration of noise signals;

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(3) frequency of occurrence of the noise signals; and

(4) extent to which aircraft noise intrudes above noise from other sources.

The study shall include noise frequency measurements accomplished using A-weighted sound levels.

The criteria that are developed should apply to both classroom situations where aircraft noise is appreciable and where nonaircraft noise sources may exceed idealized noise goals.

The study will consist of:

(a) evaluation of alternative types of classroom noise measures;

(b) selection of an appropriate noise measure and appropriate classroom noise criteria on the noise measurement scale;

(c) testing of the alternative noise measure in public and private classrooms; and

(d) identification of classroom locations that exceed the noise criteria.

The classrooms selected for testing must be located in at least two different public or private schools in each of the following cities: Eagan, Bloomington, Mendota Heights, Minneapolis, Richfield, and St. Paul. Not more than two of the schools tested may be located inside the 1996 65 Ldn contour as identified in the federal report "FAR Part 150 1991 Study Update."

The metropolitan airports commission shall report the study findings to the chairs of the senate metropolitan and local government committee and the house local government and metropolitan affairs committee by January 15, 1994.

Sec. 2. APPLICATION.

This act applies in the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

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CHAPTER 163—H.F.No. 889

An act relating to economic development; clarifying provisions relating to the department of trade and economic development; clarifying the duties of the commissioner; providing certain duties for the rural development board and Minnesota Technology, Inc.;

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