

CHAPTER 403—H.F.No. 2580

An act relating to game and fish; modifying restrictions for nonresident fish houses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 97C.355, subdivision 6.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 97C.355, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **RESTRICTIONS FOR NONRESIDENTS.** A nonresident may only obtain a license for a fish house that is ~~collapsible and portable~~, and but the house may not be unattended.

Presented to the governor March 29, 1996

Signed by the governor April 2, 1996, 10:20 a.m.

CHAPTER 404—H.F.No. 2752

An act relating to consumer protection; providing for the licensing and regulation of pawnbrokers; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 471.924, subdivision 1; 471.925; and 471.927; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325J; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 609.81.

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

PAWNBROKER REGULATION ACT

Section 1. **[325J.01] DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **SCOPE.** As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings given them unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Subd. 2. **APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.** “Appropriate law enforcement agency” means the attorney general of the state of Minnesota, the sheriff of each county in which a pawnbroker maintains an office, or the police chief of the municipality or law enforcement officers of the municipality in which a pawnbroker maintains an office.

Subd. 3. **MUNICIPALITY.** “Municipality” means any town, home rule charter or statutory city, or county that elects to regulate and license pawnbrokers within its jurisdiction pursuant to local ordinance.

Subd. 4. **PAWNBROKER.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), “pawnbroker” means a person engaged in whole or in part in the business of lending money on the security of pledged goods left in pawn, or in the business of purchasing tangible personal property to be left in pawn on the condition that it may be redeemed or repurchased by the seller for a fixed price within a fixed period of time.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.