each subsequent offense shall pay a fine of not more than \$3,000 or be imprisoned for a period of not more than six months or both. This section does not apply to the sale of (1) trailers designed and used primarily to transport watercraft, as defined in section 86B.005, subdivision 18, (2) trailers designed and used primarily to transport all-terrain vehicles, as defined in section 84.92, subdivision 8, (3) trailers designed and used primarily to transport snowmobiles as defined in section 84.81, subdivision 3, or (4) utility trailers as defined in section 168.27, subdivision 20.

#### Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 2 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor March 3, 1998

Signed by the governor March 5, 1998, 10:55 a.m.

## CHAPTER 268—S.F.No. 2525

An act relating to Ramsey county; authorizing the county to make certain purchases from or through a health care cooperative; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 383A.

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

# Section 1. [383A.323] PURCHASING THROUGH HEALTH CARE COOPERATIVE.

Sections 471.345 to 471.37 do not prohibit Ramsey county on behalf of the Ramsey nursing home as a member of a health care cooperative pursuant to chapter 62R from purchasing from or through the health care cooperative. The purchases through a health care cooperative are not subject to sections 471.345 to 471.37.

# Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day after the Ramsey county board's approval is filed according to Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

Presented to the governor March 3, 1998

Signed by the governor March 5, 1998, 10:57 a.m.

#### CHAPTER 269—S.F.No. 2685

An act relating to local government; allowing an officer of a local governmental unit to contract with the unit in certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 471.88, subdivision 12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1996, section 471.88, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

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Subd. 12. **POPULATION OF 1,000 OR LESS.** An officer of a government unit may contract with the unit to provide construction materials or services, or both, by when the sealed bid process if is used and the unit has a population of 1,000 or less according to the last federal census. The officer may not vote on the question of the contract when it comes before the governing body for consideration.

## Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor March 3, 1998

Signed by the governor March 5, 1998, 11:00 a.m.

#### CHAPTER 270—S.F.No. 2315

An act relating to technology; making technical changes to show director of office of technology as member of various organizations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1996, sections 62J.451, subdivision 9; and 1160.03, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 1997 Supplement, section 44A.01, subdivision 2; and Laws 1995, First Special Session chapter 3, article 12, section 7, subdivision 1, as amended.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1997 Supplement, section 44A.01, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **BOARD MEMBERSHIP.** The corporation is governed by a board of directors consisting of:
- (1) four members, representing the international business community, elected to three-year terms by the association of members established under section 44A.023, subdivision 2, clause (5);
- (2) four members, representing the international business community, appointed by the governor, to serve at the governor's pleasure;
  - (3) the mayor of St. Paul or the mayor's designee;
- (4) the commissioners of trade and economic development, agriculture, and commerce; and
  - (5) the director of the office of technology; and
- (6) three members of the house appointed by the speaker of the house and three members of the senate appointed under the rules of the senate, who serve as nonvoting members. One member from each house must be a member of the minority party of that house. Legislative members are appointed at the beginning of each regular session of the legislature for two—year terms. A legislator who remains a member of the body from which the legislator was appointed may serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies. A vacancy in a legislator member's term is filled for the unexpired portion of the term in the same manner as the original appointment.

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