

and take immediate action to protect the public and property and. The excavator shall also attempt to minimize the hazard until arrival of the operator's personnel or until emergency responders have arrived and taken charge of the damaged area completed their assessment. The 911 public safety answering point shall maintain a response plan for notifications generated by this section.

(b) An excavator shall delay backfilling in the immediate area of the damaged underground facilities until the damage has been investigated by the operator, unless the operator authorizes otherwise. The repair of damage must be performed by the operator or by qualified personnel authorized by the operator.

(c) An excavator who knowingly damages an underground facility, and who does not notify the operator as soon as reasonably possible or who backfills in violation of paragraph (b), is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Presented to the governor April 8, 1999

Signed by the governor April 12, 1999, 2:22 p.m.

#### CHAPTER 44—S.F.No. 1150

*An act relating to traffic regulations; fixing speed limit in rural residential districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.14, subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1998, section 169.14, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **SPEED LIMITS.** (a) Where no special hazard exists the following speeds shall be lawful, but any speeds in excess of such limits shall be prima facie evidence that the speed is not reasonable or prudent and that it is unlawful; except that the speed limit within any municipality shall be a maximum limit and any speed in excess thereof shall be unlawful:

(1) 30 miles per hour in an urban district or on a town road in a rural residential district;

(2) 65 miles per hour on non-Interstate freeways and expressways, as defined in section 160.02, subdivision 16;

(3) 55 miles per hour in locations other than those specified in this section;

(4) 70 miles per hour on Interstate highways outside the limits of any urbanized area with a population of greater than 50,000 as defined by order of the commissioner of transportation;

(5) 65 miles per hour on Interstate highways inside the limits of any urbanized area with a population of greater than 50,000 as defined by order of the commissioner of transportation;

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(6) ten miles per hour in alleys; and

(7) 25 miles per hour in residential roadways if adopted by the road authority having jurisdiction over the residential roadway.

(b) A speed limit adopted under paragraph (a), clause (7), is not effective unless the road authority has erected signs designating the speed limit and indicating the beginning and end of the residential roadway on which the speed limit applies.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "rural residential district" means the territory contiguous to and including any town road within a subdivision or plat of land that is built up with dwelling houses at intervals of less than 300 feet for a distance of one-quarter mile or more.

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#### CHAPTER 45—H.F.No. 414

*An act relating to agriculture; extending the program for control of pseudorabies in swine; providing reimbursement for veterinarians who used pseudorabies vaccine after January 1, 1999; providing financial management assistance to farmers; appropriating money.*

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

##### Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; PSEUDORABIES CONTROL.**

(a) \$1,255,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the board of animal health for continued efforts to control pseudorabies in swine. This appropriation is to cover the cost of blood tests, laboratory fees, and vaccines, and is available until June 30, 2000.

(b) Using money appropriated in paragraph (a), the board shall reimburse veterinarians for pseudorabies vaccine administered to swine on premises located within a three-mile radius of pseudorabies quarantined premises or in other areas recommended by the district veterinarian that are necessary to control the spread of pseudorabies.

(c) The board shall provide reimbursement for pseudorabies vaccine to veterinarians for vaccine used after January 1, 1999, for swine on premises eligible for the vaccine under paragraph (b). Reimbursement shall be computed by using the number of doses purchased for eligible swine multiplied by 25 cents per dose.

(d) The board of animal health shall report to the senate and house agriculture and rural development committees by February 1, 2000, on the reasons for the spread of pseudorabies, including the effect of size and type of swine operation on the spread of the disease, and recommendations for controlling the disease. The report must also analyze the number and location of swine operations eligible for vaccine under paragraph (b) that fail to vaccinate their herds.

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