

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 370.13, is amended to read:

370.13 REDISTRICTING OF COUNTY; SUBSEQUENT ELECTION.

At least six months before the next general election in the county held after the appointment election and qualification of the commissioner or commissioners at large, unless there is less time between the appointment at-large election and qualification and the general election, in which event the action provided for shall be taken at the first meeting after the commissioners have qualified, the board shall proceed to redivide the county into five commissioner districts, numbered from 1 to 5, unless otherwise provided by law. At the next general election held in the county after the redistricting, a commissioner shall be elected from each district, the member from each odd-numbered district to hold a two-year term, and the member from each even-numbered district to hold a four-year term, and thereafter all commissioners, except those elected or appointed to fill vacancies for unexpired terms, shall be elected for four-year terms. If, the redistricting causes any new district to cover the same territory as any one of the old districts, the commissioner elected from the old district shall continue to act as commissioner from the new district for the remainder of the term for which elected. In case a contest, or other litigation, is pending involving the legality of the change of boundaries of the county, the redistricting shall not be made until after the contest, or other litigation, has been finally determined in favor of the change of boundaries. In this event, if the term of any commissioner at large expires before the county is redistricted, a successor shall be elected by the voters of the entire county for a term of four years, unless sooner ended, under this chapter, or otherwise.

Sec. 8. REPEALER.

Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 370.11, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 199—S.F.No. 1344

An act relating to employment; regulating payment of wages; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 181.03.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 181.03, is amended to read:

181.03 CERTAIN ACTS RELATING TO PAYMENT OF WAGES UNLAWFUL.

Subdivision 1. PROHIBITED PRACTICES. An employer may not, directly or indirectly and with intent to defraud:

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(1) cause any employee to give a receipt for wages for a greater amount than that actually paid to the employee for services rendered;

(2) directly or indirectly demand or receive from any employee any rebate or refund from the wages owed the employee under contract of employment with the employer; or

(3) in any manner make or attempt to make it appear that the wages paid to any employee were greater than the amount actually paid to the employee.

Subd. 2. COMMISSIONS. Except as otherwise provided in section 181.13, an employer or a person, firm, corporation, or association may not alter the method of payment, timing of payment, or procedures for payment of commissions earned through the last day of employment after the employee has resigned or been terminated if the result is to delay or reduce the amount of payment.

Subd. 3. CIVIL ACTION. An employer who violates this section is liable in a civil action brought by the employee for twice the amount in dispute.

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CHAPTER 200—S.F.No. 1965

An act relating to state government; adding a deputy commissioner of the office of tourism; repealing certain obsolete and redundant trade and economic development department programs and duties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 116J.01, subdivisions 4, 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2000, sections 41A.066; 116J.541; 116J.542; 116J.75; 116J.8755; 116J.9671; 116J.980, subdivision 4; 116J.992.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 116J.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE OF TOURISM. ~~The director~~ deputy commissioner of the office of tourism shall be appointed by the governor. ~~The director~~ deputy commissioner is under the supervision of the commissioner and serves in the unclassified service.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2000, section 116J.01, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATION. (a) The commissioner shall organize the department as provided in section 15.06.

(b) The commissioner may establish divisions and offices within the department. The commissioner may employ ~~three~~ four deputy commissioners in the unclassified

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