

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.2127, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **MINIMUM AGE.** (a) A person under the age of 18 years may not buy a pull-tab, tipboard ticket, paddlewheel ticket, or raffle ticket, or a chance to participate in a bingo game other than (1) a bingo game exempt or excluded from licensing, or (2) one bingo occasion conducted by a licensed organization as part of an annual community event if the person under age 18 is accompanied by a parent or guardian. Violation of this paragraph is a misdemeanor.

(b) A licensed organization or employee may not allow a person under age 18 to participate in lawful gambling in violation of paragraph (a). Violation of this paragraph is a misdemeanor.

(c) In a prosecution under paragraph (b), it is a defense for the defendant to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the defendant reasonably and in good faith relied upon representations of proof of age authorized in section 340A.503, subdivision 6, paragraph (a).

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

**Sec. 11. LAWFUL PURPOSE.**

Notwithstanding the definition of "lawful purpose" in Minnesota Statutes, section 349.12, subdivision 25, it is a lawful purpose of lawful gambling conducted by a licensed veterans organization to pay up to \$1,500 per person to send up to two World War II veterans per local veterans organization to Washington D.C., for the dedication events of the National World War II Memorial on May 27 to May 30, 2004. No licensed veterans organization may spend more than \$6,000 under authority of this section.

**Sec. 12. REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 349.1711, subdivision 4, is repealed.

**Sec. 13. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective July 1, 2004. Sections 2 to 9, 11, and 12 are effective the day following final enactment.

Presented to the governor April 28, 2004

Signed by the governor April 30, 2004, 1:10 p.m.

**CHAPTER 173—H.F.No. 2930**

*An act relating to state government; requiring flags in the Capitol area to be flown at half-staff following death of a public safety officer or Minnesota military personnel killed in the line of duty; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 1.*

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

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

**Section 1. [1.51] FLAGS FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF FOLLOWING PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER DEATH.**

Each American flag and Minnesota flag flown on the grounds of the Capitol area, as described in section 15B.02, must be flown at half-staff following the death of a public safety officer, as defined in section 299A.41, subdivision 4, killed in the line of duty in Minnesota, or the death of Minnesota military personnel killed in the line of duty. The flags must be flown at half-staff for a period of time determined by the governor.

Presented to the governor May 6, 2004

Signed by the governor May 10, 2004, 12:05 p.m.

**CHAPTER 174—H.F.No. 2551**

*An act relating to commerce; regulating safe deposit companies; modifying collateral requirements applicable to depositories of local public funds; regulating dishonored checks; amending Minnesota Statutes 2002, sections 55.15; 604.113, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2003 Supplement, section 118A.03, subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2002, section 55.15, is amended to read:

**55.15 APPLICATION.**

This chapter shall not be held or construed as limiting, restricting, or in any way affecting the operation or management of safe deposit boxes or vaults, or a safe deposit business, by any savings bank, bank, credit union, or trust company. If any bank, savings bank, credit union, or trust company elects to transact the business of a safe deposit company under the provisions of this chapter, it shall so notify the commissioner of commerce and thereafter the provisions of sections 55.02 and 55.10 to 55.12 shall apply to such safe deposit business and said bank, savings bank, credit union, or trust company shall have the benefit thereof. The provisions of sections 55.03 to 55.08 and the provisions of section 55.095 shall not apply to a bank, savings bank, credit union, or trust company carrying on the business of a safe deposit company.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2003 Supplement, section 118A.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **IN LIEU OF SURETY BOND.** The following are the allowable forms of collateral in lieu of a corporate surety bond:

- (1) United States government treasury bills, treasury notes, treasury bonds;

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