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Overview

This bill repeals certain provisions of law relating to public safety.

Section

- 1 **Combustible material removed.** Removes an exception to the general rule that the state fire marshal may order the removal of dangerous, combustible materials from a building or other premises. Under current law, flammable liquids and explosives are not subject to the general rule. Instead, flammable liquids and explosives are specially regulated. Under section 3, subdivision 4 of the bill, the authority to specially regulate them is repealed. With these changes flammable liquids and explosives will be subject to the fire marshal's general powers to immediately order their removal from a building or premises for safety reasons.
- 2 **Brand registration.** Relating to the registration of liquor brand labels, removes a prohibition against registering a brand label that implies a false or misleading connection to an actual living or dead American Indian leader.
- 3 **Repealer.** Repeals the following statutes:
 - Subd. 1.** Minn. Stat. § 12.43 [Subversives; hiring, using; oaths.]. Requires emergency management personnel to take a loyalty oath.
 - Subd. 2.** Minn. Stat. § 299F.015 [Use of waste oil burner.]. Permits the use of waste oil burners at gas stations. Waste oil burners burn used motor oil for heat.
 - Subd. 3.** Minn. Stat. § 299F.19 [Flammable liquids and explosives.]. Permits rulemaking and regulation of flammable liquids and explosives. (This change is related to section 1 of the bill.)
 - Subd. 4.** Minn. Stat. § 299F.30 [Fire drill in school; doors and exits.]. Provides that it is the duty of the state fire marshal to enforce school fire drill and unlocked door regulations. Requires schools to conduct monthly fire drills and keep records. Requires all school doors and exits to permit egress during normal school hours.

Subd. 5. Minn. Stat. § 299F.361 [Fire extinguisher; multiple unit residential building.]. Requires fire extinguishers to be installed in apartment buildings with four or more units. Permits local governments to require more stringent standards.

Subd. 6. Minn. Stat. § 299F.451 [Fire alarm systems; definitions.]. Provides definitions of "educational facility" and "malicious false fire alarm". (This change is related to subdivision 8.)

Subd. 7. Minn. Stat. § 299F.452 [Reporting malicious false fire alarm.]. Requires the head of an educational facility to report malicious false fire alarms to the local fire service.

4 **Effective date.** Provides an immediate effective date.