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Overview

This bill repeals the prohibition on itinerant carnivals in Minnesota. The law was enacted in 1923. Violation of the law is a misdemeanor.

Section

- 1 **Repealer.** Repeals the prohibition on itinerant carnivals in Minnesota. Itinerant carnivals are those that travel from place to place or on a circuit and include shows, acts or exhibitions where people congregate to view or participate in "lewd or obscene" entertainment, gambling or games of chance, or other "immoral pursuits." Individuals that allow or conduct an itinerant carnival are guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to fines of up to \$100 or jail sentences of up to three months.
- 2 **Effective dates.** Provides an effective date.