

Whereas, it is the established policy of the state of Minnesota to develop and conserve forests, and

Whereas, it is desirable and necessary in meeting the exigencies of recent Federal legislation as well as in following out the established state program to provide adequate means of controlling the spread of fires within the forests areas of this state, and

Whereas, it is within the police powers reserved in the state to enact necessary and adequate laws to protect the forest of this state, and

Whereas, adequate fire breaks are a prerequisite to the perpetuation and protection of forest areas and an asset to the beautification of highways, roads and trails.

Now, therefore, in view of the above stated, it is declared that there is sufficient need for calling upon the use of the police powers reserved in the State of Minnesota, and it is enacted:

Section 1. Conservation commission may clean up road sides.—That all highways, roads and trails within forest areas are declared to be established fire breaks, and for that purpose the State of Minnesota, through the Division of Forestry, Department of Conservation, is authorized to clean up all dead and/or down timber, all underbrush, rotting logs, and stumps, and all other inflammable refuse and debris along each side of such highways, roads and trails, for a distance of two hundred feet on each side from the center thereof, all of such material as above stated to be burned or disposed of under the supervision of a forestry officer in such a manner as not to injure the growing timber.

That all dead and usable timber taken out of such road sides shall be piled for the immediate removal thereof by the owners of the land from which the same was removed.

Sec. 2. Inconsistent acts repealed.—That this law is to take effect from and after the date of its passage and all laws in conflict herewith are, for the purpose of this Act, hereby declared repealed.

Approved April 17, 1933.

CHAPTER 321—S. F. No. 1721

An act to amend Laws 1929, Chapter 87, regulating the fees to be charged by the Register of Deeds and fixing compensation for clerk hire in offices of Register of Deeds in certain counties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Compensation and clerk hire of register of deeds of certain counties.—That Laws 1929, Chapter 87, Section 1, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. That in each county of this state now or hereafter containing more than 60 and less than 80 congressional townships, and which now has, or may hereafter have, a population of more than 45,000 and less than 75,000 inhabitants, according to the last preceding federal or state census, and in which the salary of the register of deeds is fixed by law at \$2,500 per annum, such register of deeds shall charge and collect the same fees as are now provided by law for entering and recording any deed or other instrument and for making abstracts of title except that for making abstracts of title he shall charge the sum of twenty cents for each necessary entry.”

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CHAPTER 322—S. F. No. 1691

An act to appropriate money for certain counties in which the taxes collected in 1932 on account of the tax levied and/or extended in the year 1931 is less than 25 per cent of such 1931 levy and/or extension.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Appropriation for certain counties.—There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury, not otherwise disposed of, the sum of \$7,500 payable July 1st, 1933 and \$7,500 payable July 1st, 1934, to each county of this state in which the taxes collected during the year 1932 on account of taxes levied and/or extended in the year 1931 is less than 25 per cent of such 1931 levy and/or extension. Taxes, as used in this Act, shall be held to include real estate taxes, personal property taxes, taxes on moneys and credits, and special assessments.

Sec. 2. To be placed in revenue fund.—Such moneys shall be paid to the county treasurer by the state treasurer on the warrant of the state auditor. Such moneys shall be placed by the county treasurer to the credit of the revenue fund of such county.

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