

CHAPTER 347—S. F. No. 958

An act relating to the rights of parent or guardian to maintain an action for injury of a minor child in civil cases; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 540.08.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 540.08, is amended to read:

540.08 Injury to child or ward; suit by parent or ward. A father may maintain an action for the injury of *his* minor child. *When such father has deserted his family or is dead the mother of such minor child may maintain the action. When custody of the injured child has been granted to either parent by a court having jurisdiction, that parent may maintain the action.* A general guardian may maintain an action for the injury of his ward. A guardian of a dependent, neglected, or delinquent child, appointed by a court having jurisdiction, may maintain an action for the injury of such child. If no such action is brought by the father or mother, an action for *the* injury may be brought by a guardian ad litem, either before or after the death of such parent. Before any such parent receives any property as a result of any such action, he shall file such bond as the court prescribes and approves as security therefor. In lieu of this bond, upon petition of the parent, the court may order that *the property* so received shall be invested in securities issued by the United States, which shall be deposited pursuant to *the* order of the court, or such property shall be deposited as a savings account in a bank or trust company, subject to the order of the court. A copy of the court's order and the evidence of such deposit shall be filed with the clerk of such court. No settlement or compromise of any such action is valid unless it is approved by a judge of the court in which *the* action is pending.

Approved April 12, 1951.

CHAPTER 348—S. F. No. 960

An act relating to the classification of cities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 410.01.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 410:01, is amended to read:

410.01 Classes of cities. Cities are hereby divided, for legislative purposes, into classes as follows:

First class—Those have more than 50,000 inhabitants;

Second class—Those having 20,000, and not more than 50,000 inhabitants;

Third class—Those having more than 10,000, and not more than 20,000, inhabitants; and

Fourth class—Those having not more than 10,000 inhabitants.

Changes in classification resulting from any future national census shall take effect upon the filing of certified copies of the census in the office of the secretary of state as provided in Section 600.18. Meanwhile the council or other governing body shall take measures for the election of proper officials and for dividing the city into wards, if necessary; and otherwise prepare for the coming change.

Approved April 12, 1951.

CHAPTER 349—S. F. No. 1026

An act relating to wild animals and to the taking of fish which are in danger of smothering in shallow waters, amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 97.48, Subdivision 16.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 97.48, Subdivision 16, is amended to read:

97.48 Subd. 16. The commissioner shall rescue, trans-