

in the county jail for not less than 20 days. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person who shall be engaged in cutting cord-wood or other fuel wood upon his own land or engaged in cutting timber for clearing any land actually owned and occupied by him.

Any person who, and any municipality or political subdivision of this state which, cuts or fells timber or brush of any kind in clearing land for any public road-bed or right of way, or for any other purpose, shall before starting such operation *deliver in person or by registered mail, sealed and postage prepaid, a notice in writing in the English language, addressed to the commissioner of conservation and delivered or sent as specified herein to the division of forestry supervisory headquarters of the area in which the timber to be cut is located*, describing the intended operations.

Approved April 12, 1957.

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CHAPTER 394—S. F. No. 339

[Coded]

*An act relating to the county historical societies and providing a tax levy; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 138.05 to 138.07 and 138.071.*

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

Section 1. [138.051] **County historical societies.** The county board of any county, or the governing body of any municipal corporation, school district or public library therein, is hereby authorized and empowered to set apart and furnish a suitable room or space in the court-house of the county, or in any of its municipal, school or library buildings, as the case may be, for the purposes and use of the historical society of such county, and to furnish light and heat therefor, or the county board may in its discretion construct or otherwise provide and furnish other suitable housing in the county for such purposes and use.

Sec. 2. [138.052] **Tax levy.** The county board of any county is authorized and empowered to appropriate, out of the revenue fund of such county or out of the proceeds from a special tax levy upon all the taxable property in the county, such sum as it may deem advisable, to be paid to the historical society of such county, to be used for the promotion of historical work within the borders thereof, and for the collection, preservation and publication of historical material,

and to disseminate historical information of the county, and in general to defray the expense of carrying on the historical work in such county; provided that no county board is authorized to appropriate any funds for the benefit of any county historical society unless such society shall be affiliated with and approved by the Minnesota Historical Society.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 138.05 to 138.07 and 138.071, are repealed.

Approved April 12, 1957.

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• CHAPTER 395—S. F. No. 393

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to the salary of the county treasurer in certain counties.*

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

Section 1. **County treasurer, salary.** In any county now or hereafter having a taxable valuation of over \$12,000,000 and having a population of not less than 15,000 nor more than 16,000 inhabitants and containing less than 20 full and fractional congressional townships and having a land area of less than 600 square miles, the annual salary of the county treasurer shall be \$4,700 without regard to compensation for the increased cost of living as provided in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 375.43.

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CHAPTER 396—S. F. No. 1026

[Coded]

*An act relating to state public lands leased for the cultivation and harvesting of stagnant swamp trees, and exempting such lands from general property taxation during the term of the lease.*

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

Section 1. [88.652] **Leased state lands not subject to general property taxation.** State lands, leased pursuant to Laws 1955, Chapter 805, for the purposes of cultivating and harvesting stagnant swamp trees for Christmas trees or