

CHAPTER 693—H. F. No. 663

[Coded]

An act relating to services for the blind, amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 248.07.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 248.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 12.] Commissioner of public welfare, duties. *The commissioner of public welfare shall obtain reimbursement from other states for the estimated cost of handling of talking books for the blind distributed by the department of public welfare to users in such other states and may contract with the appropriate authorities of such states to effect such reimbursement. All money received hereunder shall be paid to the state treasurer and placed in the general revenue fund.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 248.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 13.] *From the funds appropriated for vocational rehabilitation of the blind and matching federal funds available for the purpose, the commissioner of public welfare may make grants, upon such terms as he may determine, to public or non-profit organizations for the establishment, maintenance or improvement of rehabilitation facilities or sheltered workshops for the blind.*

Approved April 26, 1957.

CHAPTER 694—H. F. No. 785

An act relating to forestry and the tax rate on auxiliary forests; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 88.51, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 88.51, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

88.51 Auxiliary forest; tax rate, special taxes. Subdivision 1. **Annual taxes.** From and after the filing of the contract creating any tract of land an auxiliary forest under sections 88.47 to 88.53 and hereafter upon any tract heretofore created as an auxiliary forest, the surface of the land therein, exclusive of mineral or anything of value thereunder,