

At least 14 days prior to the date fixed for hearing the petitioner, his attorney or agent, shall in guardianship mail a copy of the notice to such persons as the court may direct and in estates shall mail a copy of the notice to each heir, devisee, and legatee whose name and address are known to him and, if the decedent ~~was born in any foreign country, or~~ left heirs, devisees, or legatees in any foreign country, to the consul or representative referred to in section 525.28, or, if there be none, to the chief diplomatic representative of such country at Washington, D.C., or to the secretary of state at St. Paul, Minnesota, who shall forward the same to such representative.

Proof of such publication and mailing shall be filed before the hearing. No defect in any notice nor in the publication or service thereof shall invalidate any proceedings.

Sec. 8. [525.492] BASIS FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, an attorney performing services for the estate at the instance of the representative shall have compensation therefor out of the estate as the court shall deem just and reasonable. In any proceeding under this section, fair and reasonable attorney's fees shall be based upon time spent, the complexity of any problems involved, and the value of the estate shall not be the controlling factor.

Approved May 25, 1971.

CHAPTER 498—S.F.No.1798

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to the city of St. Paul; amending the provisions relating to the issuance of the license for the sale of intoxicating liquor at the civic center; amending Laws 1969, Chapter 783, Section 1, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1969, Chapter 783, Section 1, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **ST. PAUL, CITY OF; CIVIC CENTER; LIQUOR LICENSE.** Subdivision 1. In addition to the licenses now authorized by law, and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary contained in the charter or ordinances of such city, or statutes applicable to such city, the city of St. Paul is authorized to issue an "on sale" liquor license for the premises known and used as the St. Paul civic center. ~~The license so authorized shall be issued only to the person, firm or corporation holding a contract to provide food catering service at said civic center and shall terminate whenever the contract for food catering service is terminated.~~ The fee for such license shall be fixed by the governing body of the city of St. Paul.

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Such liquor license shall be issued in accordance with the statutes applicable to the issuance of "on sale" liquor licenses in cities of the first class not inconsistent herewith and in accordance with the charter and ordinances of the city of St. Paul not inconsistent herewith and shall limit the sale of intoxicating liquor to members and guests of any person or organization leasing space in the civic center for the purpose of conducting any convention, banquet, conference, meeting or social affair, and shall prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor to the public or to any persons attending or participating in any athletic event being held on the civic center premises.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of St. Paul and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 25, 1971.

CHAPTER 499—S.F.No.1814

An act relating to taxation; lien of taxes on personal property; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 272.50.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 272.50, is amended to read:

272.50 TAXATION; PERSONAL PROPERTY; LIEN OF TAXES ON PERSONAL PROPERTY; NATURE, EXTENT, PRIORITY; DISTRAINT; NOTICE; PAYMENT OF OTHER LIEN HOLDER; FORECLOSURE. The taxes assessed upon personal property, with lawful penalties, interest, and costs, shall be a first and perpetual lien, superior and paramount to all other liens or encumbrances thereon, except the vendor's interest in conditional sales contracts, whether prior or subsequent in point of time, upon all of the personal property then owned by the person assessed from and including ~~May first~~ January 2 in the year in which they are levied, until they are paid; provided, such lien shall not continue on items of personal property sold at wholesale or retail in the ordinary course of business.

Immediately after distraining any personal property for taxes, whether under section 277.03 or section 272.51, the sheriff, in addition

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