hereinafter provided. Such charges shall be investigated by or before such civil service commission. The finding and decision of such commission shall be forthwith certified to the chief or other appointed or superior officer, and will be forthwith enforced by such officer. Nothing in this chapter shall limit the power of any officer to suspend a subordinate for a reasonable period not exceeding 60 days for the purpose of discipline, or pending investigation of charges when he deems such suspension advisable. The commission, in any city of the second class situate in two or more counties, may, by resolution adopted by unanimous vote, incorporate in the civil service rules a rule fixing the term of the office of chief of the department at six years from the date of his appointment and thereafter the office of chief shall be open to competitive examination for all members of the department qualified to take such examinations. In the event of a new appointment being made to the office of chief as a result of competitive examination, the retiring chief shall be assigned a grade and class in the department as may be determined by the commission. Provided that the limitation of the term of chief as herein provided for shall not affect any person permanently holding the office of chief at the time of the passage of Laws 1947, Chapter 522; provided further that the provisions of this section shall not apply to persons referred to in Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 299D.03.

- Sec. 2. [419.075] MERIT SYSTEM MUNICIPALITIES; DISCHARGE OF PEACE OFFICERS. Subdivision 1. APPLICATION. This section applies to any city, village, borough, county, town or other political subdivision which has adopted a formal merit system under any provision of law or home rule charter.
- Subd. 2. OFFICERS DISCHARGED AFTER HEARING. No newly appointed peace officer, after satisfactory completion of the basic peace officer training course pursuant to sections 626.843 to 626.854 and after a period of no longer than 12 months continuous employment thereafter, shall be removed or discharged except for cause upon written charges after opportunity to be heard in his own defense.

Approved June 4, 1971.

## CHAPTER 840—H.F.No.2204

[Coded]

An act relating to game and fish; prohibited means of taking certain wild animals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 100.29, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 100.29, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 30. GAME AND FISH; BEAVER OR OTTER; HUNT-ING WITH CERTAIN VEHICLES. It shall be unlawful to use a snowmobile or any type of all-terrain vehicle during the season open for the taking of beaver or otter and for two days thereafter, for the purpose of transporting or checking beaver or otter traps or transporting beaver or otter carcasses or pelts. However, the commissioner may issue a special permit to use a snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle to transport or check beaver or otter traps, or to transport beaver or otter carcasses or pelts, to any licensed trapper having any of the physical disabilities described in Minnesota Statutes, Section 98.48, Subdivision 12. The permit shall be issued in the same manner as provided in Section 98.48, Subdivision 12.

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## CHAPTER 841—H.F.No.2268

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to state government; regulating credit union and labor organization payroll deductions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 10.39, Subdivision I, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 10.39, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

10.39 STATE GOVERNMENT; PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS. Subdivision 1. The heads of the various departments of the government of the state of Minnesota are hereby authorized, by and with the written consent of any employee of any state department, to deduct from the salary of such employee such sum or sums as may be agreed to by such employee for the payment of any moneys to any state employees' credit union, or to any organization contemplated by the provisions of section 179.52, subdivision 2, of which the employee is a member; provided, that where an employee is a member of more than one such credit union or more than one such organization, only one credit union and one organization may be paid money by payroll deduction from the employee's salary; and provided further, that no deduction shall be made from the salary of any state employee for payment to any credit union or organization hereinbefore referred to

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