al issues relating to the application, the board, no sooner than 30 days after publishing the notice, may enter an order finally disposing of the application. On determining otherwise, the board may not act on the application until a contested case hearing has been conducted under chapter 14.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.
Sections 1 to 3 are effective the day following final enactment.
Presented to the governor April 12, 1990
Signed by the governor April 16, 1990, 4:28 p.m.

## CHAPTER 443-S.F.No. 1879

An act relating to natural resources; amending a certain requirement relating to the sale of state timber; amending Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 90.101, subdivision 1.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1988, section 90.101, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. The commissioner may sell the timber on any tract of state land in lots not exceeding $\$ 20,000$ in appraised value and may determine the number of sections or fractional sections of land to be covered by any one permit issued to the purchaser of timber on state lands, or in any one contract or other instrument relating thereto. No timber shall be sold, except (1) to the highest bidder at public auction, or (2) if unsold at public auction the commissioner may offer the timber for private sale for a period of no more than 90 days after the public auction to any person who pays the appraised value for the timber. The minimum price shall be the appraised value as fixed by the report of the state appraiser. All sales shall be held in the county in which the tract is located and ne sale shall be held in more than one loeation on any ene day. In adjoining counties, sales may not be held less than two hours apart.

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Signed by the governor April 16, 1990, 4:29 p.m.

