## Nineteen Hundred Thirty-One Supplement

to

## Mason's Minnesota Statutes

(1927 thru 1931)

Containing the text of the acts of the 1929 and 1931 Sessions of the Legislature, both new and amendatory, and notes showing repeals, together with annotations from the various courts, state and federal, construing the constitution, statutes, charters and court rules of Minnesota



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for construction of county aid roads, county auditor must extend the same and county board cannot waive the contribution. Op. Atty. Gen., April 27, 1931.

After townships have actually paid money into the county treasury as contribution toward cost of constructing county aid roads, the county board is powerless to refund it. Op. Atty. Gen., April 27, 1931.

Laws 1931, c. 221, amending this section cannot be given retroactive effect and applies only to county aid roads designated as such subsequent to the approval of the act on April 20, 1931. Op. Atty. Gen., May 12, 1931.

§2720-96. Unorganized townships.—Unorganized townships shall for the purposes of this act be deemed to be towns, and the county board shall as to such unorganized townships perform the duties and functions of the town board of organized townships. (Act Apr. 22, 1929, c. 283, §9.)

\$2720-97. To be credited to County Road and Bridge Fund in certain counties.—All moneys apportioned under the provisions of this act to counties having a population of more than 200,000 shall be credited to the

county road and bridge fund of such county and shall be appropriated and expended by such county upon public highways exclusive of trunk highways within such county, in such amounts as the county board of said county shall deem advisable, for the purposes and in the manner in which other moneys accruing to such fund may be appropriated and expended and such appropriations and expenditures shall not be limited or restricted by the provisions of Sections 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 [§\$2720-92 to 2720-96] of this act. (Act Apr. 22, 1929, c. 283, §10.)

§2720-98. Provisions severable.—If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this act. (Act Apr. 22, 1929, c. 283, §11.)

§2720-99.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed. (Act Apr. 22, 1929, c. 283, §12.)

## CHÁPTER 13A

## Vessels Navigating Lakes and Rivers

§2740-1. Definition.—The words "motor boat" where used in this act shall include every vessel propelled by machinery, except tug and/or tow boats propelled by steam and operated upon any lakes or streams of this state, except lakes and streams situated in whole or in part north of the north line of township 52 as the same extends due west across the state and excepting likewise all waters constituting the boundary between the State of Minnesota and any other state. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §1.)

§2740-2. Speed of motor boats.—No motor boat under the provisions of this chapter shall be operated at a speed greater than is reasonable and proper having due regard to the safety of other boats and persons. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §2.)

§2740-3. Must have mufflers.—Every motor boat under the provisions of this chapter propelled by an internal combustion engine shall at all times be so equipped as to completely and effectually "muffle" and silence the sound of the explosions of such engine by diverting its exhaust under water, or otherwise. It shall be unlawful to operate any such motor boat so propelled by an internal combustion engine with the muffler or cut-out open on any navigable or public waters in this state other than international waters, waters constituting the boundary between the State of Minnesota and any other state, except while such motor boat is actually competing in a race licensed to be held pursuant to section 4 [§2740-4] hereof. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §3.)

§2740-4. Mufflers may be open in races.—Such motor boats may be operated with mufflers or cut-outs open while actually competing in any race licensed to be held by the council or other governing body of the city, village, or town adjacent or nearest to that portion of the body of water on which such race is to be held. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §4.)

§2740-5. Owner to report accidents.—Within 48 hours after a motor boat meets with an accident involving personal injury or loss of life, it shall be the duty of the owner or the person in charge of such motor boat to prepare a written report, setting forth the details of the casualty, which report shall be forwarded by mail or otherwise to the sheriff of the county in which the accident occurred. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §5.)

§2740-6. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All prior acts or parts of prior acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §6.)

§2740-7. Violation—penalties.—Any person who violates any section of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, or both. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §7.)

§2740-8. Effective July 1, 1931.—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1st, 1931. (Act Mar. 26, 1931, c. 88, §8.)