

GENERAL LAWS

OF

MINNESOTA.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT THE TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE, COMMENCING JANUARY FOURTH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN, AND TERMINATING MARCH FOURTH, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN.

CHAPTER 1.

[H. F. No. 2.]

AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE FOUR (4) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, BY ADDING THERETO A NEW SECTION IN RELATION TO FREEDOM OF MARKETS.

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

SECTION 1. The following amendment to article four (4) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the people of the state, that is to say that said article four (4) shall be amended by adding thereto the following additional section to be numbered as section thirty-five (35):

"Sec. 35. Any combination of persons, either as individuals or as members or officers of any corporation, to monopolize the markets for food products in this state, or to interfere with, or restrict the freedom of such markets, is hereby declared to be a criminal conspiracy, and shall be punished in such manner as the legislature may provide."

Freedom of
markets.

SEC. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election occurring after the passage of this

Submitted to
the people,
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act; and the qualified electors of this state in their respective districts may at such elections vote by ballot for or against said amendment; and the returns thereof shall be made and certified within the time required by law; and such votes shall be canvassed and the result thereof declared in the time provided by law with reference to elections of members of congress; and [if] it shall appear thereupon that a majority of the electors present and voting for or against the proposed amendment to the constitution, as provided in the next section, have voted in favor of the same, then the governor shall make proclamation thereof, and such amendment shall thereupon take effect and be in force as a part of the constitution of this state.

Ballots, form of.

SEC. 3. The ballots used at such election by the electors voting in favor of this amendment shall have written or printed or partly written and partly printed thereupon, the following words: "Amendment of article four (4) of the constitution by adding thereto a new section in relation to freedom of markets,—Yes." And the ballots used at said election by the electors voting against such amendment shall have written or printed, or partly written and partly printed thereon, the words "Amendment of article four (4) of the constitution by adding thereto a new section in relation to freedom of markets—No."

When not to take effect.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 3rd, 1887.

CHAPTER 2.

[H. F. No. 45.]

AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION TWELVE (12) OF ARTICLE (1) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THIS STATE, BY ADDING THERETO A PROVISIO TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF WORKING MEN AND WOMEN IN CERTAIN CASES.

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

SECTION 1. That the following amendment to section twelve (12) of article one (1) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the voters of the state; that is to say, that said section twelve (12) of article one (1) be amended by adding thereto the following proviso:

To protect the rights of working men and women.

"Provided, however, that all property so exempted shall be liable to seizure and sale for any debts incurred to, any