

upon obtaining from the probate court appointing him an order authorizing such leasing and prescribing the terms and conditions thereof, may lease such agricultural lands or any part thereof, or any buildings or manufacturing plants thereon situated, for a term not exceeding five (5) years, and every lease executed pursuant to such authority of the probate court shall have the same force and effect as if executed by such ward if under no disability; *provided, however*, that no such lease shall be authorized to extend beyond the time when any such ward shall arrive at legal age. And *provided, further*, that no such lease shall be made for a term exceeding one year, unless notice of the application of such guardian for an order authorizing such leasing shall be given by publication thereof for three (3) successive weeks, and in such other manner as the court in each case may prescribe, and at the time when such application shall be heard before the court all persons in interest may appear and take part therein, and upon such hearing the court shall authorize such guardian to lease the real estate of his ward for such length of time as shall appear for the best interests of the ward not exceeding five (5) years.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 13, 1901.

Limit of
time for
lease.

H. F. No. 659.

CHAPTER 365.

Amendment.
Elections,
Contests.

An act to amend section 185 of chapter 4 of Laws of 1893, being section 190 of General Statutes of 1894, relating to contests in city, county and state elections.

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

SECTION 1. Amend section 185 of chapter 4 of laws of 1893, being section 190 of the General Statutes of 1894, so as to read as follows:

Candidates
for city,
county or
state office.

Sec. 185. Any candidate or elector of the proper city or county may contest the election of any person declared elected by any canvassing board to any city, county or state office, provided that the person so desiring to contest the election of any such officer shall, within ten days after the decision of any such canvassing board, file with the clerk of the district court of the proper county a notice of appeal from such decision of such canvassing board; and if said contest be with reference to a state office, such notice of appeal need only be filed in one dis-

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state office.

district court and may be filed with the clerk of any district court in any county in the state, or a judicial district in which said contest is to be had. The contestant shall within ten days after the filing of such notice of appeal give notice of said contest in writing to the person whose election or right to a seat he intends to contest, which notice shall be served in the same manner provided for the service of a summons in a civil action, and in and by said notice he shall specify the points upon which said contest is based. If the person whose election is contested desires to offer testimony upon points not specified in the notice of contestant he shall within ten days after the service of said notice of contest by said contestant serve upon said contestant or his attorney, an answer specifying such additional points or grounds upon which he so desires to offer evidence. Upon such notices, which are not to be taken as true until proved, and which may be amended in the same manner provided for the amendment of pleadings in civil actions, all testimony shall be taken as in civil actions and all matters relating to said contest shall be heard and tried by the district court wherein said notice of appeal shall have been filed, in the manner that civil actions are tried by the court.

Notices,
and amend-
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of.

SEC. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 13, 1901.

CHAPTER 366.

H. F. No. 668.

An act to amend section five (5) of chapter 106 of the General Laws of Minnesota of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (1879), as amended by chapter forty-eight (48), General Laws of Minnesota of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899), relating to the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries and reading rooms.

Amendment.
Public
libraries.

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

SECTION 1. That section five (5) of chapter 106 of the General Laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (1879), as amended by chapter forty-eight (48), General Laws of 1899, be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: