

## CHAPTER 90—H. F. No. 177.

*An Act to amend Chapter 299, General Laws of Minnesota for 1905, prescribing terms, limitations and conditions on which lands granted to the state by the Congress of the United States shall be sold, as amended by Chapter 106, General Laws of 1909, so as to read as follows:*

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

**Public lands, how sold.**—Section 1. Hereafter whenever any lands granted to the state by the Congress of the United States shall be sold by this state, the purchaser shall in the first instance be given a contract or certificate of sale, which instrument shall contain, among other things, the provisions herein set forth.

**State auditor to make certain requirements.**—Sec. 2. The state auditor shall insert in every such contract or certificate of sale, a clause providing that the vendee, his heirs, administrators or assigns, shall within seven (7) years from the date of such instrument, perform at least one of the following requirements:

1. Fence at least twenty-five (25) per cent of said tract for pasture and convert such portion into pasture land.
2. Cultivate at least five (5) per cent of said tract, or
3. Build a house and actually reside upon said tract for a period of twelve (12) months.

*Provided*, however, that the fencing for pasture of twenty-five (25) per cent of any contiguous tract sold such vendee by the state under the provisions of this chapter and the conversion of such portion into pasture land, or the cultivation of at least five per cent of such contiguous tract, or the building of a house and actual residence upon any portion of such contiguous tract for a period of twelve months shall be deemed a sufficient performance of such requirements with reference to the whole of such contiguous tract whether heretofore or hereafter sold by the state.

**Seven years for proof that same has been complied with— to apply to sales made in 1905 and subsequent years.**—Sec. 3. Within seven (7) years after the date of such contract or certificate of sale, the vendee, his heirs, administrators or assigns, shall furnish to the state auditor, satisfactory proof that at least one of said provisions has been complied with, said proof shall be attested by two members of the school board in the district wherein the land is located. And upon such proof, and the fulfillment of all the conditions of such contract or certificate of sale, a deed shall issue to the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, to the land in such contract or certificate described.

*Provided*, that the foregoing provisions shall apply to all sales of land made in the year 1905 and subsequent years.

**Cancellation to follow failure.**—Sec. 4. Upon failure to make and furnish the proof mentioned, in the foregoing section, within seven (7) years after the date of such contract or certificate, the state auditor shall cancel said contract or certificate and the land covered thereby shall revert to and become the property of the state, free and clear of any incumbrance or cloud arising out of said transaction or contract or attempted to be contracted by said vendee, and all moneys paid on account of the purchase price, shall be forfeited to the state.

**320 acres only to one purchaser.**—Sec. 5. Not more than three hundred and twenty (320) acres of such land shall be sold or contracted to be sold to any one purchaser.

**Discretionary powers of state auditor.**—Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and, *provided further*, that if the purchaser is already the owner of a contiguous tract of land, the state auditor upon a proper showing by affidavit, and in furtherance of justice, may in his discretion dispense with a strict compliance with the foregoing provisions of this section in respect to sales whether heretofore or hereafter made by the State.

Approved April 7, 1911.

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CHAPTER 91—H. F. No. 222.

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*An Act to provide for the teaching of certain industrial subjects in high and graded schools, and fixing the amount of state aid for such instruction, and the manner of its payment.*

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

**High or graded schools to receive \$1,000 additional for maintaining certain courses.**—Section 1. Any high school or graded school which shall maintain such a course as the high school board of this state shall prescribe in agriculture and either in home economics or in manual training, shall receive annually in addition to other aid the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for maintaining such industrial courses, to be paid from the appropriations made for state aid to high and graded schools.

**Not applicable in certain cases.**—Sec. 2. This aid shall not be paid to any school receiving aid under any other act, for the maintenance of industrial courses.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after August 1, 1911.

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