

CHAPTER 519—S. F. No. 931.

An Act to authorize the incorporation of county farm bureaus; providing for filing of the certificates of incorporation thereof with the secretary of state without the payment of any fees other than recording fees.

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

Section 1. Corporations may be organized as county farm bureaus.—Corporations to be known as county farm bureaus may be organized to develop and foster the agricultural, social and commercial interests of the citizens of the county in which they are organized by the creation and development of cordial and friendly relations between the residents of the urban and rural districts thereof, by encouraging and aiding the organization of social and business clubs within the various villages, towns and school districts of the county, by co-operating with the department of agriculture of the United States and the colleges of agriculture of the state of Minnesota in carrying out the plans and purposes of said department and said colleges in improving the social and business interests of persons engaged in agriculture and by such other means and methods as may be deemed advisable.

Sec. 2. Using provisions of Section 3102, R. L. 1905.—Such corporations shall be incorporated in the manner and under the provisions of law applicable to the corporation specified and authorized to be organized under the provisions of Section 3102, of the Revised Laws of 1905 and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Sec. 3. Recording fee only to be paid.—No fee other than the usual recording fee, payable to the secretary of state, shall be required to be paid to any officer of the state of Minnesota for filing of such articles of incorporation with the secretary of state.

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CHAPTER 520—S. F. No. 970.

An Act to provide for the nomination and election of United States senators in congress from the state of Minnesota by direct vote of the people, and providing for the filling of vacancies in such office and for the repeal of Chapter 388, General Laws 1911.

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

Section 1. Primary nomination of senator in congress.—At all primary elections next preceding the election of a senator

in congress, the secretary of state shall cause to be placed upon the official primary ballots of the several counties the names of all electors seeking the nomination for senator in congress whose name shall have been duly filed under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. Affidavit to be filed 40 days before primary election.—At least forty (40) days before the primary election, any person eligible and desirous of having his name placed upon the primary ballot as a candidate for United States senator in congress from this state shall file his affidavit with the secretary of state, stating his residence, that he is a qualified voter in the state of Minnesota, the name of his party, that he desires to be a candidate for the office of United States senator in congress, that he affiliated with said party at the last general election, and either that he did not vote thereat or voted for a majority of the candidates of said party at such election and intends to so vote at the ensuing election.

Sec. 3. Filing fee \$100.—Upon the filing of such affidavit in his office accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars, (\$100.00), the secretary of state shall record the same and make a proper certificate and shall notify the county auditors of the several counties of the state of the fact of such filing and direct them to place upon the official primary election ballots of their respective counties, the name of the candidates seeking the nomination for senator in congress.

Sec. 4. Secretary of state to notify county auditors of nominees.—After the receipt of the notification of the secretary of state provided in the preceding section, the county auditors of the several counties shall cause the name of all electors seeking the nomination for senator in congress from this state to be placed upon the official ballots of the party with which said elector affiliates as shown by his affidavit of nomination, printed by them for the ensuing primary election in their respective counties; and the names of said candidates for the nomination of senator in congress shall precede the names of all other candidates on each ballot.

Sec. 5. Provision for casting and counting ballot.—The provisions of the primary law for the preparation of the ballots and for the casting, counting and canvassing of votes, and for determining the nominees, and for filling vacancies as contained in Sections 181 to 203, inclusive, and Section 217, Revised Laws 1905, as amended, are hereby made applicable to this act and all the provisions of said primary law are hereby made applicable to this act as far as practicable.

Sec. 6. Names of candidates for senator to precede candidates for state officers on official ballot.—At each general elec-

tion next preceding the election of a senator in congress by the legislature the secretary of state shall cause to be printed on the official state ballots, preceding the names of candidates for state offices, the name of the candidates for senator in congress, with their respective party designations as in the case of the names of the other candidates on said ballots.

Sec. 7. Canvass of votes—certificate by secretary of state.—

At each general election referred to in this act the votes for senator in congress from this state shall be canvassed by the state canvassing board in the same manner as the votes for state officers, and the candidate for senator in congress receiving the greater number of votes shall be declared to be elected senator in congress from this state for the next vacancy in said office to be filled; and a certificate to that effect shall be delivered by the secretary of state to the said candidate.

Sec. 8. Writs to be issued by governor in case of vacancy—governor may appoint to fill interim.—If a vacancy occurs in the office of United States senator in congress from this state, the governor shall issue writs of election to fill such vacancy at the next general election. Provided that the governor may temporarily fill such vacancy by appointment, the person so appointed to serve only until the vacancy is filled by the people at the next general election.

Sec. 9. When two persons are to be elected.—When two persons are to be elected United States senators in congress from this state at the same election, each person filing for the nomination as provided in this act shall in addition to all other matters necessary to be stated in said affidavit designate the term for which he desires to be a candidate by stating the date of the expiration of such term, and such designation shall be printed opposite the name of such candidate on the primary ballot and opposite the name of the successful candidate upon the general election ballot. Such designation of terms shall be observed by all the election officials and canvassing boards at both the primary and general elections.

Sec. 10. Chapter 388, General Laws 1911 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 11. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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