

and the returns thereof shall be made and certified within the time, and such votes canvassed and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law with reference to the election of state officers, and if it shall appear thereupon that a majority of all the electors voting at said election as provided in the next section have voted in favor of the same, then the governor shall make proclamation thereof, and such amendment shall take effect and be in force as a part of the constitution.

Sec. 3. The ballots used at said election on said amendment shall have printed thereon, "amendment to Section six (6) of Article eight (8) of the constitution relating to the investment of school funds and authorizing the investment and loaning of school funds on improved farm land within the state. Yes.... No...." and each elector voting on said amendment shall place a cross mark thus (X) in a space to be left opposite either the word "yes" or the word "no," and shall be counted for or against the proposition in accordance with the expressed will of the elector, as provided by the election laws of this state.

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

Approved February 17, 1915.

CHAPTER 381—S. F. No. 10.

An Act proposing an amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, authorizing the legislature to provide by law, to protect and regulate all public waters and rivers and for the mining and sale of any iron ore, or other minerals situate under the waters of any public lake or river.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, is hereby proposed to the people of the state, for their approval or rejection, by adding at the end of said Article 9 a new section, to be known as "Section 17" which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 17. The legislature is hereby authorized to provide by law for the mining and sale of any iron ore, or other minerals which the state owns, in its sovereign capacity, and as trustee for the people of the state, which are situate under the waters or bed of any meandered public lake or river, and for that purpose may provide for the drainage of any such lake or river, or the diversion of the waters thereof to a new bed or channel, provided, however, that the vested riparian rights of private persons or corporations owning land adjoining such lakes shall not be destroyed or damaged without their consent, unless compensation therefor shall be first paid or secured.

The principal of all funds arising from the sale of such iron ore, or other minerals, shall forever be preserved inviolate and undiminished, but the income therefrom shall be used for the construction, improvement and maintenance of the public roads of the state. The principal of such funds shall be loaned or invested in the same manner, by the same officers, and upon the same terms as is, or from time to time hereafter may be authorized by the constitution and laws, for the loaning or investment of the permanent school and university funds of the state."

Sec. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of this state for their approval or rejection at the general election occurring next after the passage of this act, and the qualified electors of this state in their respective districts may at such election vote for or against such amendment by ballot; and the returns thereof shall be made and certified within the time, and such votes canvassed and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law with reference to the election of state officers, and if it shall appear thereupon that a majority of all the electors voting at said election as provided in the next section have voted in favor of the same, then the governor shall make proclamation thereof, and such amendment shall take effect and be in force as a part of the constitution.

Sec. 3. The ballots used at said election on said amendment shall have printed thereon; "Amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution to authorize the Legislature to protect and regulate public waters, and provide for the mining of minerals under the waters of any meandered public lake or river. Yes....No....," and each elector voting on said amendment shall place a cross mark thus (X) in a space to be left opposite either the word "yes" or the word "no," and shall be counted for or against the proposition in accordance with the expressed will of the elector, as provided by the election laws of this state.

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

Approved April 6, 1915.

CHAPTER 382—S. F. No. 63.

An Act proposing an amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, relating to the supreme court of the State of Minnesota, increasing the number of associate justices of the supreme court from four (4) to six (6) and that the clerk shall be appointed by the court.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota is hereby