candidates are to be nominated. The day for such primary election shall be the first day of registration in all election districts, except in cities of the first class.

Approved April 6, 1915.

CHAPTER 77-S. F. 259.

An Act to amend Section 2150 of the General Statutes for 1913, relative to tax certificates.

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

Section 1. Failure to serve notice to operate to extinguish lien.—That Section 2150 of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for 1913, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"No notice of the expiration of the time of redemption upon any certificate of tax judgment sale issued to an actual purchaser. or upon any state assignment certificate shall issue or be served under the provisions of Section 1654 of the General Statutes of 1894, or any other law in force at the time of the passage of this act, after the expiration of six years from the date of the tax judgment sale described by any such certificate; nor shall any such certificate be recorded in the office of any register of deeds after the expiration of seven years from the date of such sale. All such certificates upon which such notice of expiration of redemption shall not be issued and served, and such certificate recorded in the office of the proper register of deeds within the times limited by this act, shall be void and of no force or effect for any purpose whatever, and failure to serve such notice or. record such certificate within the time herein prescribed shall operate to extinguish the lien of said purchaser for the taxes for the year or years in such certificate described and appearing, anything in any other statute of this state to the contrary notwithstanding."

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions. This act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in the courts of this state.

Sec. 3. Operative March 1st, 1916.—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the 1st day of March, 1916.

Approved April 6, 1915.

CHAPTER 78-S. F. No. 11.

An act relating to the conservation and protection of the minerals under the public waters within the state and to prohibit the draining of any public lake for the mining of minerals from any such lake below low water mark.

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

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Section 1. Unlawful to mine under public lake or river.—It shall be unlawful for any individual, co-partnership or corporation to mine any mineral below the low water mark of any public lake or river without first having obtained authority from the state.

Sec. 2. Draining of meandered public lake for mineral purposes forbidden.—It shall be unlawful for any individual, copartnership or corporation to drain any meandered public lake for the purpose of mining of minerals without first having received the consent of a board hereby created for such purpose consisting of the governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer and state auditor, or other officers which may be empowered by law to grant such permission.

Sec. 3. **Penalty for violation.**—Any individual, co-partnership or corporation violating the provisions of this act shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$10,000.00, or by imprisonment in the state prison for not to exceed five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

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

Approved April 6, 1915.

CHAPTER 79-S. F. No. 254.

An Act authorizing villages to sell, lease, or abandon water works and lighting plants or any part thereof, or water works or lighting plants owned by any such village or any department thereof, and providing for the submission of any such proposition to the voters of any such village for approval or disapproval.,

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

Section 1. Village authorized to abandon, sell or lease water works and lighting plants on submission of proposition to vote.— Any village, in this state wherein there is constructed and in operation water works and lighting plant, or water works or lighting plant, for supplying water and light, or either of them, for public purposes or for the private use of its inhabitants, or both, owned by any such village, may by resolution or ordinance of its governing body, passed and adopted in the usual manner, sell, lease, or abandon any such plant or any specific part thereof; if a specific part of any such plant is to be sold, leased, or abandoned, such resolution shall state the specific part to be so sold, leased, or abandoned. Before any such resolution or ordinance shall become effective the same shall be submitted to the legal voters of such village at a regular village election or special election therein and approved by a majority vote of the electors