

and direct his bond be forfeited and recover from such party or his bondsmen, all damages that may be sustained by any party injured by reason of the acts complained of.

Sec. 8. Biennial report.—The commissioner shall biennially, on or before the second Tuesday in December in each even numbered year, submit to the governor and the legislature a report of his department with such recommendations and suggestions as the interests of agriculture and foods and marketing conditions require.

Sec. 9. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. Effective June 1, 1919.—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after June 1st, 1919.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 445—H. F. No. 939.

An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of county free libraries, and for contracts between boards of county commissioners and existing public libraries.

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

Section 1. Free county libraries.—The board of county commissioners of any county in this state is hereby authorized to establish and maintain, at the county seat of any such county, or any other city to be determined by said board of county commissioners, a public library for the free use of all residents of the county, and may levy a tax not to exceed one mill on the dollar of all the taxable property outside of any city or village wherein a free public library is located, or which is already taxed for the support of any such library, the proceeds of which tax shall be known as the county library fund.

Sec. 2. To be submitted to voters.—If such county library be not otherwise established, the board of county commissioners, upon the petition of 100 freeholders of the county, shall submit the question of such establishment to the voters at the next county election. If a majority of the votes cast on such question be in the affirmative, the board of county commissioners shall establish the library, and levy a yearly tax for its support, within the limits fixed by section 1.

Sec. 3. Contract to be entered into.—If there is a free public library in the county, the board of county commissioners shall contract with the board of directors of such library, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between such boards, for the use of such library by all residents of the county, and may place under the supervision of the said library board the county library fund, hereinbefore provided for, to be spent by said board for the extension of the free use of said library

to all residents of the county. Provided, also, that if there is more than one such free public library in the county the board of county commissioners may contract with one or all of such library boards for such free service if in its judgment advisable.

Sec. 4. Board of five directors to be appointed.—If there is no free library in such county available for use as a central library of the county system, the board of county commissioners shall appoint a board of five directors; of said directors first appointed, two shall hold office for three years, two for two years, and one for one year from the third Saturday of July following their appointment, the term of office being specified by the appointing power; and annually thereafter the board of county commissioners shall appoint one or two directors for the term of three years and until their successors qualify. The powers and duties of such board of directors shall be the same as those of a board of directors of any free public library in a city or village, and be governed by the provisions of sections 4918-4924 of chapter 33 of the General Statutes of Minnesota 1913.

Sec. 5. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 446—H. F. No. 1030.

An act to cure defects in the service of notice of expiration of time of redemption upon tax sale certificates, where notice of expiration of redemption was duly issued within six years after the tax sale but the sixty-day limit for redemption did not expire within six years after the date of the tax judgment sale.

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

Section 1. Certain tax judgment sales legalized.—In all cases of real estate tax judgment sales heretofore held where notice of the expiration of the time of redemption was duly issued within six years from the date of the tax judgment sale described in such notice, and publication of such notice commenced before the expiration of said six years, but where the time limited for the expiration of redemption from such tax sale as so issued and published did not expire until after the expiration of six years from the date of said tax judgment sale, such notice of expiration of time and redemption and the service thereof, personal or by publication, if otherwise correct, shall be sufficient for all purposes, and shall not be affected by reason of the aforesaid irregularities; and in all such cases