act to amend Chapter 7, Laws 1917, authorizing the treasurer of the State of Minnesota to receive payments on sales of school and other state lands where the time limit for payment has expired or will expire on or before July 31, 1921, and the Governor of the State of Minnesota to execute patents therefor."

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

Section 1. State Treasurer to extend time of payment on state lands in certain cases.—That Section 1 of Chapter 179, Session Laws 1919, be hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. That the treasurer of the State of Minnesota is hereby authorized to receive payment up to and including December 31, 1921, of the principal on all state land certificates where the time for payment of the said principal has expired or will expire on or before July 31, 1921, and the Governor of the State of Minnesota is hereby authorized to execute patents covering those lands on which all demands due the state have been paid in full as hereinbefore provided."

Sec. 2. Interest at 10% on unpaid balance.—That Section 2 of Chapter 179, Session Laws 1919, be hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. That interest on the principal remaining unpaid on July 31, 1921, shall run thereafter at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum until the said principal is paid in full."

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1921.

## CHAPTER 441-H. F. No. 447.

An act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 453 of the Laws of Minnesota for 1917, relating to the consolidation of certain school districts in connection with villages and cities of the fourth class.

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

Section 1. School districts may consolidate--Procedure.--That section 2 of chapter 453 of the Laws of Minnesota for 1917 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read:

Section 2. Whenever a petition signed and acknowledged by at least twenty five percent of the legal voters of each school district affected shall be presented to the state commissioner of education requesting that the said districts be united to form one district, and requesting the said state commissioner to call an election within each affected district to vote upon the consolidating of such districts, the state commissioner of education shall make proper inquiry as to the advisability of such proposed consolidation, and if he shall deem it for the best interest of education therein and of the territory affected, he shall order an election to determine the question of such proposed consolidation to be held within each of the districts affected. Notice of such election shall be given by posted and published notice as required by law for the consolidation of school districts. Such elections shall be conducted in the same manner as are annual school elections in independent districts. The vote shall be by ballots which shall read "For Consolidation" or "Against Consolidation."

Sec. 3. The officers of such election shall certify and make return of the result of the election to the State Commissioner of Education. If a majority of the legal votes cast at such election in each school district shall be in favor of such consolidation such districts shall be consolidated and the state commissioner of education, within ten days after the result of such certification and return, shall make an order to give effect to such vote and declare the consolidation, specifying the number of such new district and transmit a copy thereof to the auditor of each county in which any part of any district affected lies and to the clerk of each district affected.

After the formation of any consolidated school district under this act any person aggrieved may appeal, from said order of the commissioner declaring such consolidation, to the district court of the county as now provided by law in connection with the formation of other school districts.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1921.

## CHAPTER 442-H. F. No. 462.

An act prescribing the fees to be charged by registers of deeds in counties in this state now or hereafter having more than 400,000 population.

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

Section 1. Fees of register of deeds in certain counties.— In all counties of this state now or hereafter having a population of more than 400,000 according to the last state or federal census the fees for the register of deeds shall be as follows:

- 1. For indexing and recording any deed or other instrument or certified copy thereof, if entitled to record, ten cents per folio, and five cents for numbering each instrument required to be recorded, to be paid when left for record.
- 2. For every certificate upon instruments filed and recorded, ten cents.
- . 3. For issuing certified copies of any records or instruments

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