

CHAPTER 194—S. F. No. 314.

An act to amend Section 7969 of the General Statutes of 1923, relating to the sale of real estate by religious corporations organized under the General Law.

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

Section 1. **Religious corporation may transfer property.**—That Section 7969 of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota of 1923 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

7969. Any religious corporation organized under the provisions of this subdivision, by and through its trustees, may sell and convey, incumber, or otherwise dispose of any of its real estate; but no such conveyance or incumbrance shall be made by the trustees except when first authorized by resolution of such society adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at a meeting thereof called for that purpose, notice of the time and place and object of which shall be given for at least *four* successive Sabbaths on which said society stately meets for public worship, immediately preceding said time. When any religious society ceases to have stated meetings for public worship or for any cause is unable to give such notice of the time and place of the meeting of such society, said corporation may make such sale, conveyance, or incumbrance by its trustees, upon being so authorized by resolution as hereinbefore specified, adopted at a meeting of which at least twenty days' posted notice has been given. *If such society has, for any reason, ceased to exist, for a period of one year, the corporation may sell and convey its property by its trustees upon giving at least twenty days' posted notice upon the premises of its intention so to do.* Proof of such non-existence, notice, meeting, and the adoption of resolution may be made by the affidavit of a trustee or member of the society cognizant thereof. Such affidavit shall be recorded in the register of deeds' office where the certificate of incorporation was recorded, and the same and the record thereof, or certified copies of such record, shall be presumptive evidence of the fact, therein contained. The word "society" as used in this chapter, and not otherwise qualified, shall mean the religious body constituted in accordance with the principles of the ecclesiastical policy which forms the basis of the corporation designated in this chapter as the church, congregation, or society, as distinguished from the corporation itself. No person shall vote at any meeting called to authorize the trustees to sell, convey, incumber, or dispose of any real estate of such corporation who is not a member of such religious body, and no such religious corporation shall sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of any of its real estate in any manner other than as provided by the denominational rules and certificates of association of such society

as the same appears of record in the office of the register of deeds of the county; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect or infringe any provision of Chapter 59.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 13, 1925.

CHAPTER 195—S. F. No. 415.

An act to amend Section 5598, General Statutes 1923, relating to the preservation, protection and propagation of wild animals, including quadrupeds, birds and fish of both this and other states, and commercial fishing in international waters.

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

Section 1. **Open season for certain fish.**—That Section 5598, General Statutes 1923, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

“5598. Any variety of fish, except black bass, rock bass, *muskellunge*, and sunfish, may be taken by residents of Minnesota who are citizens of the United States, by means of pound nets, gill nets and fyke nets, except during the months of April, May and November, in Lake of the Woods, and during the months of November, April and the first 15 days in May in Rainy Lake, Kabetogama Lake and Namekan Lake, provided a license to do so shall first be obtained from the Commissioner, provided further no commercial fishing shall be authorized by the Commissioner in Kabetogama Lake after January 1st, 1926.

Subdivision 1. Such license shall be procured from the Commissioner. The applicant shall make a written application to the Commissioner, stating the location *in which he desires to fish*, size, and kind of each net he proposes to use, and shall pay the following license fees; For each pound net, the sum of \$35.00; for fyke nets with four foot hoop or less the sum of \$5.00, over four to six foot hoop the sum of \$10.00, over six to eight foot hoop the sum of \$15.00; and for each 100 feet of gill net, the sum of \$1.50. *If a license is revoked or cancelled it shall not be issued to any other applicant during the year for which it was originally issued. No license herein provided for shall be granted on applicant until the Commissioner is satisfied that such applicant has equipped himself in accordance with the requirements of this section as hereinafter provided.*

Subdivision 2. The size of the nets and the size of mesh of nets shall be as follows: Pound nets, not less than one and one-half inches bar measure or three inches stretched measure in the pound. Pound nets may be set in strings in Lake of the Woods, but there