

and be in force from and after its passage, but in all other respects it shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1925.

Approved April 25, 1925.

CHAPTER 427—H. F. No. 235.

An act proposing an amendment to the constitution of the state of Minnesota authorizing the enactment of laws encouraging and promoting forestation and reforestation of lands in this state, and providing for special taxation thereof.

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

Section 1. An amendment of the constitution of the state of Minnesota is hereby proposed to the people of the state of Minnesota, for their rejection or approval, which amendment, if adopted, shall be known as a new article of said constitution and numbered in the order of its adoption, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

“ARTICLE

“Section 1. Laws may be enacted for the purpose of encouraging and promoting forestation and reforestation of lands in this state, whether owned by private persons or the public, including the fixing in advance of a definite and limited annual tax on such lands for a term of years and a yield tax at or after the end of such term upon the timber and other forest products so grown, but the taxation of mineral deposits shall not be affected by this amendment.

“Section 2. Any and all provisions of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, inconsistent with the provisions of this article, are hereby repealed, so far, but only so far, as the same prohibit or limit the power of the legislature to enact laws authorizing or permitting the doing of the things hereinbefore authorized.”

Sec. 2. This amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election next ensuing after the passage of this act, in the manner provided by law, and the votes thereon shall be counted, canvassed, and the result thereof proclaimed, as provided by law. The ballots used at such election shall have printed thereon the following:

“Amendment to the constitution of Minnesota by adding thereto a new article, to be appropriately numbered in the order of its adoption, authorizing the enactment of laws encouraging and promoting forestation and reforestation of lands in this state, whether owned by private persons or the public, including the fixing in advance of a definite and limited annual tax on such lands for a term of years and a yield tax at or after the end of such term upon the

timber and other forest products so grown, but the taxation of mineral deposits shall not be affected by this amendment.

“Yes.....
“No.....”

Approved February 25, 1925.

CHAPTER 428—H. F. No. 784.

An act proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, relating to the supreme court of the state of Minnesota, fixing the number of justices thereof.

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 proposed to the legal voters of said state for their approval or rejection, which amendment when so approved shall read as follows :

“Section 2. The Supreme Court shall consist of one chief justice and *six* associate justices. It shall have original jurisdiction in such remedial cases as may be prescribed by law, and appellate jurisdiction in all cases, both in law and equity, but there shall be no trial by jury in said court. It shall hold one or more terms in each year, as the legislature may direct, at the seat of government, and the legislature may provide, by a two-thirds vote, that one term in each year shall be held in each or any judicial district. It shall be the duty of such court to appoint a reporter of its decisions. There shall be chosen, by the qualified electors of the state, one clerk of the Supreme Court, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified; and the judges of the Supreme Court, or a majority of them, shall have the power to fill any vacancy in the office of clerk of the Supreme Court until an election can be regularly had.”

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors for their approval or rejection at the next general election in the year 1926, in the manner provided by law and the Secretary of State shall place this proposed amendment as No. 1 on the official ballot. The ballots used in such election on such proposed amendment shall have printed thereon: “Amendment of Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution, fixing the number of justices thereof.” Each elector voting upon such proposed amendment shall place a cross mark, thus “X” in a space to be left on the ballot opposite the words “Yes” and “No,” according, as he may vote, for or against said amendment and his vote shall be counted in accordance with the expressed will of such elector as provided by the election laws of this state.