

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1927.

CHAPTER 429—H. F. No. 1319.

An act providing for the revision and codification of the laws of the State of Minnesota relating to wild animals.

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

Section 1. Commission to revise game laws authorized.—That a commission of five members be and hereby is created, to consist of one member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker, one member of the senate to be appointed by the lieutenant governor, one person to be appointed by the governor, the commissioner of game and fish, and one member of the attorney general's force to be designated by the attorney general, to revise, codify and annotate the laws of this state relating to wild animals and to the preservation, protection and propagation thereof. Such appointments shall be made forthwith after the passage of this act, and before the adjournment of the present legislative session if practicable. Said commission shall designate one of their number to act as chairman.

Sec. 2. Duties of commission.—It shall be the duty of said commission to examine and compare the existing laws relating to wild animals and to the preservation, protection and propagation thereof in force in this state and in all adjoining states and provinces of Canada at the close of the present legislative session, together with the judicial interpretation and construction thereof, and to propose and recommend such revision and codification of such laws of this state as shall, in their opinion, simplify, harmonize and complete the same and secure uniformity with the laws of adjoining states and provinces as far as practicable. They shall prepare the same in the form of a bill for introduction at the legislative session of 1929. Said commission shall file with the commissioner of game and fish their report of such revision and codification, including the full text of all the laws recommended by them including annotations and a list of all laws and parts of laws the repeal of which they shall recommend, giving the chapter number and title of each, with a full and complete index of the whole, on or before December 1, 1928, and the commissioner shall cause copies of said report to be made and delivered to the attorney general and to each house of the

legislature as soon as convened. Additional copies may be made and distributed to members of the legislature and other officers and persons requesting the same, as far as practicable.

Sec. 3. Commissioner to perform clerical work.—The members of said commission shall serve without pay for their services, but shall be allowed and paid their actual traveling and all other expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of said duties, not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars in all. The commissioner of game and fish through his office, without additional expense to the state, shall perform all the clerical work in connection with the work of said commission. Payment hereunder shall be made from time to time by the state treasurer upon warrants of the state auditor issued upon receipt of vouchers of said commissioners.

Sec. 4. Expenses.—The expenses incident to carrying out the provisions of this act may be paid out of any funds appropriated to the Commissioner of Game and Fish for the maintenance and operation of the Game and Fish Department.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1927.

CHAPTER 430—S. F. No. 1279

An act providing for an audit of state offices and accounts, and appropriating money therefor.

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

Section 1. Audit of state offices and accounts authorized.—The attorney general is hereby authorized and directed to make such examination and audit of the books, records and accounts of the offices of state treasurer and state auditor as he may deem necessary, and in the discretion of said attorney general any other departments or agencies of the state government receiving moneys payable to or from the state treasury, for the period beginning January 1, 1920, and for such period prior thereto as may be necessary to ascertain the facts in connection with any defalcation or shortages that may have occurred therein. Such examination and audit shall be made under the supervision of the said Attorney General by an independent auditor or firm of auditors not connected with any State Department, which auditor or firm of auditors shall be able to furnish a certificate of the result of his or its examination by a certified public accountant.