

## CHAPTER 442—S. F. No. 401

*An act proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article 9 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota relating to the exemption from taxation of all household goods and equipment of each household, and all farm machinery and equipment of each farm.*

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

Section 1. The following amendment to Section 1 of Article 9 of the Constitution is hereby proposed to the people of the state for their approval or rejection, which amendment, when so adopted, shall read as follows:

"Section 1. The power of taxation shall never be surrendered, suspended or contracted away. Taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects, and shall be levied and collected for public purposes, but public burying grounds, public school houses, public hospitals, academies, colleges, universities, and all seminaries of learning, all churches, church property and houses of worship, institutions of purely public charity, public property used exclusively for any public purpose, shall be exempt from taxation, and there may be exempted from taxation personal property not exceeding in value \$200, for each household, individual or head of a family, and household goods and farm machinery, as the legislature may determine:

Provided, that the legislature may authorize municipal corporations to levy and collect assessments for local improvements upon property benefited thereby without regard to a cash valuation, and provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect, modify or repeal any existing law providing for the taxation of the gross earnings of railroads."

Sec. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of this State for their approval or rejection at the general election for the year 1934, in the manner provided by law and the Secretary of State shall place this proposed amendment as No. on the official ballot, and the qualified voters of the State in their respective districts may at such election vote for or against such amendment by ballot; and the returns thereof shall be made and certified within the time, and such votes canvassed and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law with reference to the election of said officers, and if it shall appear thereupon that a majority of all the electors voting at said election as provided in the next section have voted in favor of the same, then the governor shall make proclamation thereof, and such amendment shall take effect and be in force as a part of the constitution.

Section 3. The ballots used at said election shall have printed thereon: "Amendment to Section 1 of Article 9 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, to exempt from taxation all household goods and equipment of each household and all farm machinery and equipment of each farm."

"Yes....."

No....."

Each elector voting upon such proposed amendment shall place a cross mark, thus (X), in a space to be left opposite either the word "Yes" or the word "No" and shall be counted for or against such proposed amendment in accordance with the expressed will of the elector, as provided by the election laws of this State.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 17, 1933.

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#### CHAPTED 443—H. F. No. 91

*An act proposing an amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, to authorize the exchange of public lands of the State for lands of the United States and other privately owned lands as the Legislature may provide.*

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

"Section 1. That the following amendment to Article 8 of the constitution of the State of Minnesota is hereby proposed to legal voters of this state for their approval or their rejection, which amendment when so approved shall constitute a new section and be known as Section 8, of said Article 8, and shall read as follows:

"Section 8. *Any of the public lands of the state, including lands held in trust for any purpose, may, with the approval of a commission consisting of the governor, the attorney general and the state auditor, be exchanged for lands of the United States and other privately owned lands as the legislature may provide, and the lands so acquired shall be subject to the trust, if any, to which the lands exchanged therefor were subject, and the state shall reserve all mineral and water and water power rights in lands so transferred by the state.*"