

If a former owner desires to repurchase a farm heretofore mortgaged by him to the State of Minnesota and acquired by the state, either through mortgage foreclosure or by the taking of a deed, the Conservator is hereby authorized to sell said farm for an amount equal to the investment of the state in said farm, on a crop payment plan as provided in Section 10B hereinbefore stated, provided the state is still the owner of said farm and has not conveyed the same either by deed or by contract for deed. In such cases the former owner shall make application in writing to the Conservator for the purchase of said farm, stating whether or not he desired to buy the same on a crop share payment plan, and after the filing of said application the Conservator shall not consider bids from other prospective purchasers until he has first disposed of said application either by accepting or rejecting the same.

c. All contracts for the sale of property and all conveyances thereof shall be executed in the name of the State by the Conservator and attested by his official seal, and all mortgages or other security taken in connection therewith shall run to the State of Minnesota."

Sec. 12. This Act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 29, 1935.

CHAPTER 368—H. F. No. 1505

An act amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 6295 relating to the issue of land patents.

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

Section 1. Land patents.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 6295 be amended to read as follows:

"6295. The governor shall sign and issue, under the seal of the state, attested by the auditor, a patent for the land described in any certificate of sale, whenever the same is presented to him, with the certificate of the auditor indorsed thereon that the principal and interest specified therein, and all taxes due on said land, have been paid, and that the holder is entitled to a patent; and the governor shall in like manner issue a patent for such land to any purchaser at execution, judicial, mortgage, or tax sale of the right, title, and interest of the holder of any such certificate of sale, upon presentation

to him of the certificate of the auditor that the principal, interest, and taxes have been paid, and that the purchaser is entitled to a patent *and provided further that the governor shall in like manner issue a patent for such land, where the land certificate of sale has been lost or destroyed, upon filing with the state auditor by the person claiming such land an affidavit stating that he is the owner of the land, that the land certificate has been lost or destroyed and that he is and has been the owner of such land and paid the taxes thereon continually for the last fifteen years. The state auditor shall certify on such affidavit that the principal, interest, and taxes have been paid and that the owner is entitled to a patent.*"

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

Approved April 29, 1935.

CHAPTER 369—H. F. No. 1510

An act relative to establishing and maintaining uniform stages of water in lakes and bodies of water in the State of Minnesota and providing the procedure in connection therewith.

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

Section 1. **Definitions.**—When used in this act—

(a) "Commission" shall mean the conservation commission of the state of Minnesota.

(b) "Commissioner" shall mean the commissioner of conservation of the state of Minnesota.

(c) "Court" shall mean the district court of the district wherein the proceedings are pending.

(d) "Judge" shall mean the judge of the district court wherein the proceedings are pending.

(e) "Clerk" shall mean the clerk of the district court of the county in which the proceedings are pending.

(f) "Engineer" shall mean the engineer designated by the commissioner of conservation to act as engineer in the proceedings.