

CHAPTER 198—H. F. No. 1100

An act to authorize all cities of the second class located upon navigable boundary waters having more than 20,000 and less than 50,000 inhabitants to establish and maintain public playgrounds and public skating rinks within the limits of such cities.

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

Section 1. **Certain cities to maintain public playgrounds and skating rinks.**—That all cities in the State of Minnesota located upon navigable boundary waters having more than 20,000 and less than 50,000 inhabitants are hereby authorized and empowered to establish and maintain public playgrounds and public skating rinks within the corporate limits of such city, and for that purpose to acquire by grant, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise lands within the corporate limits of such city and to appropriate money therefor and for the maintenance of such public playgrounds and public skating rinks whenever the City Council of such city shall by a majority vote thereof deem the same necessary or advisable.

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

Approved April 12, 1937.

CHAPTER 199—H. F. No. 1101

An act to provide in certain cases for the separation from cities located on navigable boundary waters having a population of not less than twenty thousand or more than fifty thousand inhabitants, of unplatted agricultural lands included in the corporate limits of such city and attaching the same to adjoining towns or townships in the same county and defining the duties of the county commissioners in such cases.

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

Section 1. **Unplatted land to be separated from cities in certain cases.**—The owners of seventy-five per cent or more of any contiguous unplatted tract or tracts or parcels of land containing not less than forty acres included within the corporate limits of any city in this State located on navigable boundary waters having a population of not less than twenty thousand or more than fifty thousand inhabitants, and used and occupied exclusively for agricultural purposes may petition the District Court of the county in which such

tracts and parcels of land are situated for a decree detaching such tracts and parcels of land from such city. Upon the filing of such petition the Court shall fix a time for the hearing thereon which shall not be less than thirty days from the date of the filing of such petition; and the petitioner or petitioners shall serve or cause to be served a notice of such hearing upon the Mayor or City Recorder of such city at least twenty days before the time fixed for such hearing.

Sec. 2. Court to make order.—If upon the hearing the Court shall find such tracts and parcels of land are of the nature and quantity as hereinbefore set forth and that they may be detached from such city without unreasonably affecting the symmetry of the unsettled portion of such city it may grant such decree and said tracts and parcels of land shall thereupon become detached from such city for all purposes as exclusively as if they had never been a part thereof.

Sec. 3. Land detached to become part of original townships.—Such tracts or parcels of land which have become detached from such city under the decree of the Court shall thereafter form a part of the township in which such land was originally situated and where there is no organized town or township government in the town from which said lands were detached exclusive of the city government of such city it shall be the duty of the Board of County Commissioners of the county in which said lands are situated to attach any part or all of said lands so detached from such city by the decree of the Court made under the provisions of this act to any towns or townships adjoining said land and within said county and thereafter said lands shall at all times be subject to the government of the township to which they are so attached.

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

Approved April 12, 1937.

CHAPTER 200—H. F. No. 1135

An act to validate certain bonds heretofore purchased by the State Board of Investment with the funds of the State of Minnesota.

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

Section 1. Definition.—The word "municipality", as used herein shall be held to mean and include the various counties, cities, villages, boroughs, towns and school districts in the State of Minnesota.