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 reasonable long term contract of the same, 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.

Should the former owner not avail himself of the crop payment plan within thirty days after being notified by registered mail by the Conservator regarding the same, then and in that event the Conservator is hereby authorized to offer said farm for sale on a crop payment plan, as provided in Section 10B hereinbefore stated, with a down payment of at least fifteen per cent, to any bona fide farmer who, in his opinion, is capable of operating said farm in a good and husbandlike manner, for an amount equal to the reasonable value of the same. No crop payment contract is assignable, except in case of death or incapacity of the vendee, and then it may be assigned only to one or more of the immediate heirs, providing however, said heir or heirs are bona fide farmers, subject only to the consent of the Conservator.

- 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.
- d. All sales and compromises in connection with the crop payment plan must be approved by the judge of the district where the farm involved is located."

Section 2. This Act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 24, 1937.

## CHAPTER 410-H. F. No. 764

An act to provide for the exchange of the dock site in the Duluth harbor owned by the State of Minnesota for another dock site in said harbor.

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

Section 1. State may exchange property in St. Louis County.—The Railroad and Warehouse Commission of the state of Minnesota is hereby authorized and directed to exchange the dock site now owned by the state of Minnesota in the Duluth Harbor on the Bay of St. Louis, in St. Louis County, Minnesota, described substantially as follows:

A strip of land commencing at a point upon the southeasterly line of right of way of the Duluth Transfer Railway Company and upon the easterly line of riparian estate and submerged land appurtenant to Harrington's Addition to Duluth as said boundary has heretofore been established by a certain agreement with J. B. Suthpin and others, the said point of commencement being 789 feet southeasterly from the southeasterly line of First or Oneota St. as the same is extended through Harrington's Addition to Duluth, running thence southeasterly along the said boundary line to the established dock line in the Bay of St. Louis, the same being a distance of 2380.4 feet more or less—thence in a westerly direction along said dock line for a distance of 230 feet, thence in a northwesterly direction parallel with said easterly boundary line hereinbefore mentioned and 230 feet distant therefrom to the southeasterly line of right of way of the Duluth Transfer Railway Company being a distance of 2371.2 feet more or less—thence in a northeasterly direction to the point of beginning—being a distance of 230.18 feet more or less, the westerly line of the premises above described passing through the center of tract of land, or land covered with water, heretofore dedicated as commercial slip containing 2.06 acres more or less, the above description being intended to describe that certain tract of land acquired by the state of Minnesota by instrument recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, St. Louis County, Minnesota in Volume 99 of Deeds on page 1, which dock site was acquired under the provisions of General Laws 1893, Chapter 30, and of all the right, title and interest of the state of Minnesota therein and in all rights, privileges and easements appurtenant thereto, including any slip or slips adjacent thereto, for the dock site in the Duluth Harbor on St. Louis Bay Basin, in St. Louis County, Minnesota, described substantially as follows:

That certain piece or parcel of land or land covered with water situate, lying and being in Lot One (1), Section Eighteen (18), Township Forty-nine (49) North, of Range Fourteen (14) West, in the city of Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota, bounded as follows: On the south by the center line of Main Street as laid out on the Altered Plat of West Duluth, Third Division, extended due east in the same straight line to the Harbor Line on the Minnesota side of the Bay of St. Louis as established by the Secretary of War;

on the North by a line parallel with said center line of Main Street, extended east as aforesaid, and three hundred and seventy-five (375) feet North therefrom; on the East by the said United States Harbor line; on the West by a line parallel with Front Street, as dedicated by the West Duluth Land Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company, and fifteen (15) feet easterly therefrom, containing twenty-six (26) acres more or less, and all rights, privileges and easements appurtenant thereto, including any slip or slips adjacent thereto.

Section 2. Attorney General to examine title.—The Attorney General of the State of Minnesota will examine or cause to be examined the title to the tract last above described, and if and when a good and sufficient deed transferring marketable title thereto to the State of Minnesota is delivered to the Railroad and Warehouse Commission, the said Railroad and Warehouse Commission will execute and deliver a good and sufficient deed to the grantor of the other tract. The dock site acquired by the state in such exchange shall be conveyed by deed to the State of Minnesota, and shall in all things be subject to the provisions of the Laws of 1893, Chapter 30.

Approved April 24, 1937.

## CHAPTER 411-H. F. No. 709

An act to amend Laws 1933, Chapter 170, Section 1, Subsection (g), Sections 5, 13 and 18, providing for the supervision and regulation of the transportation of property by motor vehicle on the public highways by contract carriers and by common carriers not operating over a regular route, providing for the payment of annual fees by contract carriers and by common carriers not operating over a regular route and by auto transportation companies subject to Laws 1925, Chapter 185, and defining the powers of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission for the purpose of enforcing this act.

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

Section 1. Definitions.—That Laws 1933, Chapter 170, Section 1, Subsection (g), be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"(g) The term 'contract carrier' means any person engaged in the business of transporting property for hire over the public highways of this state, other than as a common carrier.

The terms 'common carrier' and 'contract carrier' shall not apply