## CHAPTER 439—S. F. No. 1010

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3773, relating to the inspection of oils and to the division of oil inspection and the dairy and food department.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3773, be amended so as to read as follows:

Compensation of inspectors.—The dairy and food commissioner, in conjunction with the chief oil inspector, is hereby authorized to create not to exceed sixty-seven inspection districts in the state. In the creation of said district due consideration shall be given to important shipping centers. Said commissioner, with the advice of the chief oil inspector, is hereby authorized to appoint when necessary one deputy for each inspection district so established. He shall take such measures as he deems necessary to prevent duplication of effort by inspectors under his control and to effect economy in the administration of the inspection laws, and to that end he shall detail dairy and food inspectors to perform the duties of deputy oil inspectors as far as practicable. The deputy inspectors shall receive compensation on a graded scale based upon their qualifications, the volume of work they perform, and tenure of employment. Such compensation shall be not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month during the probationary period of one year, not less than One Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00) per month during the next succeeding four years, and thereafter not less than One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per month; and they shall be reimbursed for all expenses necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their official duties; such salaries to be determined by the dairy and food commissioner upon the advice of the chief oil inspector. For the purpose of effecting more efficiency and economy in the service, the chief oil inspector is authorized, whenever he finds it advantageous and practical, to detail deputy oil inspectors to inspect petroleum products in storage outside of the state at places from which such products are transferred to dealers or consumers within the state.

Approved April 26, 1937.

## CHAPTER 440-H. F. No. 1080

An act to extend certain timber permits upon the recommendation of the conservation commissioner. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Certain timber permits extended.—The Executive Council, upon application of the holders of any incompleted permits issued from December 15, 1931 to December 17, 1931, both dates inclusive, may for good and sufficient reason and upon the recommendation of the Conservation Commissioner, extend the same for and during such period as the council deems advisable.

Section 2. Interest to be charged on unpaid balance.—Any permit extended under the provisions of this Act shall be subject to the charge of 6 per cent per annum interest on the entire unpaid purchase price and the destruction of the timber by any cause during the period of such extension shall not relieve the purchaser for payment of the same, and said purchaser shall be liable to the state therefor as provided for in Section 5278, General Statutes of 1913 and amended by Chapter 375, Laws of 1933.

Section 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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## CHAPTER 441—S. F. No. 1117

An act to cause to be created soil conservation districts to engage in conserving soil resources, and preventing and controlling soil erosion, to establish the state soil conservation committee and to define its powers and duties and to define the powers and duties of soil conservation districts, and to provide for means and methods of establishing land use practices and to provide for the establishment of boards of adjustment in connection with land use regulations and to define their powers and duties, to provide for the enforcement of the provisions hereof, and to provide for the discontinuance of such soil conservation districts.

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

Section 1. Purpose and application of act.—As a guide to the interpretation and application of this act, the public policy of the State of Minnesota is declared to be as follows: Improper land use practices have caused and contributed to serious erosion of farm and grazing lands of this state by wind and water and that thereby top soil is being washed out of fields and pastures, and speeded up the removal of the absorptive topsoil, causing exposure of less