

RESOLUTION No. 11 (S. F. No. 442)

A joint resolution by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota in regular session assembled assenting to the provisions of the Pittman-Robertson Act.

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has enacted an act commonly known as the Pittman-Robertson Act, which is entitled an act "to provide that the United States shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects, and for other purposes" having approval September 2, 1937; and

WHEREAS, Under the Statutes of the State of Minnesota all moneys accruing to the State of Minnesota from license fees paid by hunters and all moneys paid into the state treasury through the game and fish department, including the income from the sale of confiscated game and parts thereof and from all other sources, are appropriated for the maintenance and conduct of the activities of the commissioner of game and fish; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the act is to furnish funds to aid in wildlife restoration projects and for the further development of the game resources of the state of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The state of Minnesota, in order to avail itself of its proportions of the funds made available under said Act, desires to assent to the provisions of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the legislature of the State of Minnesota in regular session assembled that the State of Minnesota assent to the provisions of the said Pittman-Robertson Act and such assent is hereby given, and that the Secretary of State is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the President of the Senate of the United States, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and two copies to the Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, and one copy to the office of the Regional Director of the United States Department of Agriculture at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Approved March 7, 1939.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 (S. F. No. 176)

A concurrent resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment to the Constitution of

the United States preventing the issuance of tax exempt securities.

WHEREAS, the United States, the several states and subdivisions thereof issue from time to time tax exempt securities, and

WHEREAS, such securities being tax exempt, the purchasers thereof are avoiding payment of their fair share of taxes, and

WHEREAS, such tax exempt securities for the most part are purchased by those best able to pay taxes, and

WHEREAS, the result is that an intolerate burden of taxation is placed upon those least able to pay, and

WHEREAS, further result is that money has been diverted from the payrolls of business and industry and invested in tax exempt securities thereby retarding and preventing the progress of business and industry and creating unemployment, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota believes that the situation of the taxpayers has assumed proportions bordering on national calamity, imperatively requiring action by the United States with a view of a speedy and permanent relief and solution,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the State of Minnesota does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States to propose to the states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States in the manner and form as follows:

"No evidence of indebtedness hereafter issued by the United States or by any territory or dependency thereof, or by any state or by any municipality or any other subdivision thereof, or by any private person, corporation or other organization, shall be exempt from taxation by the United States or by any state, territory or dependency or subdivision thereof," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State be and he hereby is instructed to forward exemplified copies of this resolution to the Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, the Honorable John N. Garner, Vice President of the United States, the Honorable William B. Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and to each of the Senators and Representa-

tives from the State of Minnesota to the Congress of the United States.

Approved March 9, 1939.

RESOLUTION No. 13 (S. F. No. 303)

A joint resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to repay certain funds exacted from the citizens of the State of Minnesota under the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, in session assembled in the year 1933, passed an act known as the Agricultural Adjustment Act, by which Act the citizens of the State of Minnesota, as well as of other states, were required to and did contribute money on certain products raised by them for the purposes of the said Agricultural Adjustment Act, and

WHEREAS, during the time that the said Act was in force and effect, there was paid into the Internal Revenue Department of the State of Minnesota by the citizens of said state, the sum of \$56,320,154.32, including a levy on wheat of \$45,-803,652.29, on hogs of \$9,378,758.61 and on field corn of \$30,-653.89, making the total sum of \$55,213,064.79, and various other sums on several other items, totaling in all \$56,320,154.-32, and

WHEREAS, these sums above mentioned were exacted from the tillers of the soil of the State of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, although said Act was declared unconstitutional and invalid by the Supreme Court of the United States, no refundment whatsoever has been made or provided for to reimburse the citizens of the State of Minnesota and there being no means by which the amounts contributed by the various citizens of the state affected by the Act in question can be ascertained, and

WHEREAS, all of the citizens of the State of Minnesota will be substantially repaid if provision be made by the Congress of the United States to return to the Treasury of the State of Minnesota the sums of money so exacted from the citizens of the State of Minnesota as hereinbefore set forth, and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has, under the Federal Income Tax Laws of the United States, contributed to the Federal Government the sum of \$500,000,000.00, a sum far larger