

and all such bonds to be issued, when sold at public sale under competitive bidding after public advertising of such sale, are hereby legalized and declared to be valid and binding obligations of said city or village, payable solely from the revenues of such public utility or utilities.

Sec. 2. **Act remedial.**—It is hereby expressly found and determined that this is remedial in nature, being necessary to protect the financial credit of such villages and cities.

Sec. 3. **Not to affect pending action.**—This act shall not affect any pending actions or judgments.

Approved April 24, 1941.

CHAPTER 421—H. F. No. 838

An act relating to wild animals, regulating the training of dogs; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5550.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5550, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“5550. **Training dogs.**—Game birds may be taken during the open season with the aid of dogs. The owner or trainer of a dog may take the same afield for the purpose of training said dog, from August 15 to *April 15* following, both inclusive, provided that such owner or trainer shall carry no firearms of more than 22 caliber, and the use of firearms of 22 caliber with blank cartridges in training dogs is hereby permitted when done so as not to inflict *injury* upon any game birds or quadrupeds contrary to law. The use or training of dogs between *April 16* and August 14 following, both inclusive, in fields inhabited or frequented by game birds is prohibited. Any dog so used is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be summarily killed by any person.”

Approved April 24, 1941.

CHAPTER 422—H. F. No. 1490

An act relating to practice and procedure in probate courts, amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 8992-188.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 8992-188, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"8992-188. **Notice.**—Whenever notice of hearing is required by any provision of this act by reference to this section, such notice shall be given once a week for three consecutive weeks in a legal newspaper designated by the petitioner in the county wherein the proceedings are pending; or if no such designation be made, in any legal newspaper in such county; or if the city or village of the decedent's residence is situated in more than one county, in any legal newspaper in such city or village. The first publication shall be had within two weeks after the date of the order fixing the time and place for the hearing.

At least 14 days prior to the date fixed for the hearing, the petitioner, his attorney, or agent, shall mail a copy of the notice to each heir, devisee, and legatee, whose name and address are known to him, *and in the case of notice required by Sections 53 and 70, shall mail two copies of the notice to the commissioner of taxation at St. Paul, Minnesota;* and if the decedent was born in any foreign country, or left heirs, devisees, or legatees, in any foreign country, to the consul or representative referred to in Section 68, or if there be none, to the chief diplomatic representative of such country at Washington, D. C., or to the secretary of state at St. Paul, Minnesota, who shall forward the same to such representative.

Proof of such publication and mailing shall be filed before the hearing. No defect in any notice, nor in the publication or service thereof, shall invalidate any proceedings."

Approved April 24, 1941.

CHAPTER 423—H. F. No. 172

An act relating to civil service for county officers and employees in certain counties in the State of Minnesota having a population in excess of 150,000 and an area of more than 5,000 square miles.

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

Section 1. **County civil service commission created in certain counties.**—There shall be created and maintained in any county in the state of Minnesota now or hereafter having