

Sec. 7. **Construction of act.**—No provision of this act shall be construed to relieve any political subdivision of this state, in the absence of an agreement for payment of sums in lieu of taxes by the United States as provided in this act, of the duty of furnishing, for the benefit of a project, all services which the subdivision usually furnishes for property in and persons residing within the subdivision without a payment of sums in lieu of taxes.

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#### CHAPTER 481—S. F. No. 1415

*An act creating an interim commission composed of members of the house and senate and one appointee of the attorney general, authorizing and directing such commission to make a study and investigation in respect to the problems, the projects, and the work being carried on by the Division of Game and Fish of the Department of Conservation, its effectiveness, the method and manner of financing of the division, the allocation and expenditure of funds, the laws and legal restrictions affecting the conservation of game and fish resources of the state, requiring such commission to make a report thereon with its recommendations to the legislature at its next regular session and appropriating money to defray expenses incurred pursuant to this act.*

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

**Section 1. Interim Commission created—membership.**—There is hereby created an interim commission which shall consist of five members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker thereof, five members of the senate appointed by the president thereof, and one member appointed by the attorney general, all of whom shall be members of such commission until its report hereinafter mentioned shall have been made to and received by the legislature at the next regular session thereof. Said commission shall select from its members a chairman and vice chairman, and may employ and pay a secretary who shall not be a legislative member of the commission. No member of the commission shall receive compensation for his service as such member, but all personal expenses of members of the commission, reasonably necessary, for carrying out the purposes of this act, shall be paid as hereinafter provided.

**Sec. 2. Commission to study game and fish department.**—Such commission shall make a study and investigation in respect to the problems, the projects, and the work being carried on by the division of game and fish of the department of conservation, its effectiveness, the method and manner of financing of the division, the allocation and expenditure of funds, the laws and legal restrictions affecting the conservation of game and fish resources of the state. Such studies shall be made to enable the commission to fully report and make its recommendations relative to any changes deemed advisable in the light of their findings.

For any such purposes, the commission shall have power to issue subpoenas or like process requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books and documents before the commission or any member thereof at any time and place designated by the commission and, upon application by the commission, the district court shall punish as for a contempt of court, any person who refuses to respond to such subpoena or process within the county or judicial district where such application is made. All witnesses shall be paid by the commission the same fees and mileage required by law to be paid to witnesses in civil actions in the district court, but such fees need not be paid in advance unless so ordered by the commission.

The commission is further vested with full power and authority to employ expert and clerical aid and assistance, to purchase stationery and other supplies, to rent or otherwise provide for the use of offices and equipment and do any and all other things reasonably necessary or convenient in carrying out the purposes of this act.

**Sec. 3. Shall report to next legislature.**—The commission shall make a report at the opening of the next regular session of the legislature, embodying the results of the study and investigation made pursuant to this act, setting forth all data and information in connection therewith which the commission deems of importance to the legislature and containing all recommendations which the commission deems proper in respect to legislation concerning any and every matter covered by said report.

**Sec. 4. Appropriation.**—There is hereby re-appropriated out of moneys in the game and fish fund the sum of \$5,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay all expenses incurred pursuant to this act. For the payment of such expense, the commission shall draw its warrants upon the state treasurer, which warrants shall be signed by the chair-

man or vice chairman and attested by the secretary of the commission, and the state auditor shall then approve and the state treasurer shall pay such warrants as and when presented, but not exceeding in the aggregate the amount herein appropriated. \*A general summary or statement of the expenses so incurred and paid shall be included in the above mentioned report of the commission to the legislature.

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#### CHAPTER 482—H. F. No. 1166

*An act relating to the manner of taking deer and affixing of coupon tags and seals; providing penalties for violations; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5539.*

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5539, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5539. **How deer may be taken.**—(1) No artificial light, including automobile and motorcycle headlights and spot lights, snare, trap, set gun, swivel gun, salt lick or other device to entrap or entice deer shall be used, made or set, nor shall deer be taken by aid or use thereof. No snare for wolves or other wild quadrupeds shall be set in any runway used by deer. No such snare shall be set with a loop of greater maximum diameter than 12 inches, nor with the top of the loop higher than 24 inches above the ground. No spring pole shall be set or used with any such snare. Deer shall not be shot from any artificial scaffold, platform, or other construction higher than six feet above the ground. Deer shall not be hunted or pursued or killed with dogs or horses. Violation of any provision of this Subdivision relating to set guns or swivel guns shall be a gross misdemeanor. Violation of any provision of this Subdivision relating to artificial lights shall be a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days. Violation of any other provision of this Subdivision shall be a misdemeanor.

(2) The licensee shall, after killing a deer, immediately affix to the carcass thereof, coupon tag "B" of his license. Immediately after a deer has been killed there shall be affixed