

lease to such minerals and mineral rights. The amount of the quarterly rentals, annual rentals, and minimum royalties to be bid and paid to the state upon such leases shall not be reduced by reason of that fact, and the lessee shall acquire all such rights to use the surface of such lands as were reserved or are owned by the state under its reservation of minerals and mineral rights. Any specification of rights to the surface in such lease shall be construed as limited by this section.

Sec. 4. Rentals and royalties to be held in trust by State Treasurer, in certain cases.—If the lands or minerals and mineral rights covered by any such lease are held by the state in trust for the taxing districts, the rentals and royalties paid under any such lease shall be held by the state treasurer in a special fund, subject to disposition thereof as may be provided by any law hereafter enacted.

Sec. 5. Disposition of funds.—Except as provided by Sec. 4 hereof, and except where the disposition of proceeds of the lands involved may be otherwise directed by existing law, all rentals and royalties payable hereunder shall be paid into the general revenue fund of the state.

Approved April 2, 1943.

CHAPTER 288—S. F. No. 189.

(AMENDING SECTION 203.05 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act relating to absent and disabled voters' ballots; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-4 (1) d.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-4 (1) d is amended to read as follows:

601-4 (1) d. **Fees.**—The applicant for such ballots shall pay to the county auditor at the time he makes such application a fee of 30 cents *except that no member of the armed forces of the United States of America shall be required to pay the fee.* The money so received by said county auditor shall be kept in a separate fund and shall be expended by him in paying the expense of such extra clerical assistance as may be required for the performance by him of the duties imposed by this chapter; the cost of furnishing and printing the application blanks specified in *Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-4 (1) a*; the cost of furnishing and printing the envelopes and voters' certificate herein specified; the

cost of postage both in forwarding and for the return of the ballots as herein specified and in delivering to the judges of the several districts in his county the applications after the same have been endorsed by him as herein specified. Any surplus of the moneys so received shall be paid into the county treasury and credited to the general revenue fund.

Sec. 2. Rights of members of armed forces.—In the event that the applicant was registered but is not entitled to vote because he has failed to vote at an election at least once in any two successive calendar years wherein elections are held, if the applicant, or some one in his behalf, shall file an affidavit with the Commissioner of Registration, stating that on the date of any one election during such two year period the applicant was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, such affidavit shall operate as a re-registration, and entitle the applicant to vote.

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CHAPTER 289—S. F. No. 258.

An act authorizing the renewal of the period of corporate existence of fraternal beneficiary associations or corporations and any domestic insurance company including any township mutual insurance company whose period of duration has expired without the renewal thereof, and legalizing acts and contracts of such associations or corporations made or done and performed subsequent to the expiration of the original period of existence of such associations or corporations.

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

Section 1. Corporate existence of certain corporations may be renewed.—Any fraternal beneficiary association or corporation organized under the provisions of Laws 1907, Chapter 345, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and any domestic insurance company, including any township mutual insurance company, heretofore organized and existing under the laws of this state, whose period of duration has expired less than five years prior to the passage of this Act and the same has not been renewed and such association or corporation has continued to transact its business, may renew its corporate existence from the date of its expiration for a further definite term from and after the term of its expired period of duration, with the same force and effect as if renewed prior to the expiration of its term of ex-