to veterans, and to all employees thereof engaged in such distribution. All appropriations hereafter made to any state agency for relief to veterans shall be disbursed by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, unless specifically prohibited by other provisions of law.

Sec. 14. Employees entitled to preference.—The commissioner, whenever he deems it practicable shall employ persons entitled to preference under Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 254-79. Upon request by the commissioner, the director of the state civil service shall certify for appointment to positions in the department from the appropriate eligible list only those persons entitled to preference under Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 254-79. Otherwise emloyment in the department shall be governed by the provisions of the state civil service act.

Sec. 15. Commissioner of administration to assign office.— The commissioner of administration shall assign the office space in the Capitol and other state buildings so far as necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

Sec. 16. **Appropriations transferred**.—All unexpended funds appropriated or made available to any department, agency, or officer for the purpose of any of its functions, powers, or duties, which are transferred by this act to the Department of Veterans' Affairs, are hereby transferred to the latter.

Sec. 17. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All other acts or parts of acts now in effect inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby superseded, modified, repealed or amended to conform to and give full force and effect to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 18. Effective July 1, 1943.—This act, so far as it directs an appointment by the Governor, shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, but in all other respects it shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1943.

Approved April 13, 1943.

## CHAPTER 421-S. F. No. 1101.

An act providing for the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain social and charitable corporations whose period of duration has expired without renewal thereof, and legalizing and validating certain corporate acts done and performed subsequent to the expiration of the original period of existence of such corporations.

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

Section 1. Corporate existence of certain social or charitable organizations renewed .-- Any social or charitable corporation heretofore created under the laws of this state, and corporations created under General Statutes of 1894, Chapter 34, Title 3, whose period of duration has expired less than 21 years prior to the passage of this act and the same has not been renewed and such corporation has continued to transact business, may by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the voting power of the members or stockholders present and voting, in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly and regularly called for the purpose, renew its corporate existence from the date of its expiration for a further definite term or perpetually 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 period of duration, by taking the same proceedings and paying into the state treasury the same fees as now provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of such corporations in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration.

Sec. 2. Proceedings to be taken within one year.—Such proceedings to obtain such extension shall be taken within one year after the approval of this act.

Sec. 3. **Proceedings to relate back**.—When such proceedings are taken within such period of time, such proceedings shall relate back to the date of the expiration of such original corporate period as fixed by the articles of incorporation or by statutory limitation, and any and all corporate acts done and performed after the expiration of such original period, shall be, and each hereby is, declared legal and valid.

Sec. 4. **Application of act**.—This act shall not apply to any corporation the charter of which has been adjudged forfeited by any court of competent jurisdiction of this state or to any corporation as to which there is pending any action or proceeding in any of the courts of this state for the forfeiture of its charter.

Approved April 13, 1943.

CHAPTER 422-S. F. No. 1118.

(Amending Section 122.19 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to consolidated school districts; amending Laws 1941, Chapter 169, Article III, Section 19.