may be retained under a permit after the last day of April in the year following that in which they were taken or killed, except in such years when federal or state meat rationing restrictions may be imposed due to emergency conditions, in which years such wild animals may be retained under such permits until June 30th of the year following that in which they were taken or killed. Wild animals, lawfully taken and had in possession outside this state, may be brought or shipped into this state and had in possession during the periods provided above for the keeping of wild animals taken in this state upon proof that they have been so lawfully taken, provided retaining tags herein provided for are attached thereto."

Approved February 20, 1943.

CHAPTER 59-H. F. No. 380

(AMENDING SECTIONS 242.65, 212.66, 212.67, 212.68, 212.69 and 212.70 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act relating to municipal elections in certain cities of the third and fourth class; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Sections 601-11(4)n, 601-11(4)o, 601-11(4)p, 601-11(4)q, 601-11(4)r, and 601-11(4)s.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)n, is amended to read a follows:

Section 601-11(4)n. Elections in cities of third and fourth class.—In all cities of the third and fourth class the election of all officers required to be chosen by the voters of the city shall be held and conducted as hereinafter prescribed, unless otherwise provided by the law under which the city is organized and operating, or by the charter of the city, if organized under the Constitution, Article 4, Section 36.

Sec. 2. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)0, is amended to read as follows:

Section 601-11(4)o. Affidavit of candidacy.—In any city of the third class which has not adopted a primary election system under authority of statute and in any city of the fourth class, not less than 15 days preceding the city election, any

eligible person desirous of having his name placed upon the official election ballot as a candidate for an office to be voted for at such election by the voters of such city, shall file an affidavit with the city clerk, stating his residence, that he is a qualified voter in such city and the name of the office for which he desires to be a candidate; and, upon payment of a fee of one dollar to the city clerk, that officer shall accept such affidavit and place the name of such candidate upon the official election ballot without any political party designation. There shall be no primary election, but the filing of such affidavit shall be prerequisite to having the name of the candidate placed on the official ballot for the city election.

Sec. 3. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)p, is amended to read as follows:

Section 601-11(4)p. Ballots—preparation—printing.—In any city of the third or fourth class the city clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed at the expense of the city necessary election registers, tally books and ballots for such election. The ballots shall be printed on red paper but need not bear the facsimile of the signature of any officer. Each ballot shall be headed "City Election Ballot," and shall state the name of the city, the date of the election and, except as herein otherwise provided, shall conform to the state ballot used at general elections. Names of candidates shall be arranged thereon alphabetically according to surnames without any party designation.

Sec. 4. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)q is amended to read as follows:

Section 601-11(4)q. Polls—judges—notices of election.—In every city of the third or fourth class, not less than ten days before the day of the city election, the council shall select and designate one polling place for each district in the city; and, not less than five days before such election, the city clerk shall post in three conspicuous places in said city, and publish once in a qualified newspaper in such city, if there be one, otherwise in a qualified newspaper in the county, a notice of the election, stating the time and place thereof, the location of each polling place, the names of the candidates, the offices to which they desire to be chosen, and also any question or proposal which may be voted on at such election; and the city clerk shall also post and publish in the same manner samples of the official ballot.

Sec. 5. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)r is amended to read as follows:

To use Australian ballot system.—In Section 601-11(4)r. every city of the third or fourth class, the city election shall be held and conducted under the Australian ballot system as provided by law for general elections. Except in every city in which a system for the permanent registration of voters is in effect, the name and residence of each person voting at such election shall be entered by the judges on an election register. The ballots shall be counted and preserved as at general election, except that the clerk shall be the final custodian thereof. the ballots have been counted, the election board shall publicly announce the results and certify the same, together with the ballots, to the council. The results of the election shall be canvassed by the council and the candidate for each office who receives the highest number of votes therefor shall be declared elected thereto and shall be given a certificate of election by the city clerk.

Sec. 6. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 601-11(4)s is amended to read as follows:

Section 601-11(4)s. General election laws to apply.—So far as practicable, all the provisions of this act relating to general elections, including the provisions relating to the arrangement of polling places, peace officers, challengers, procuring ballots, boxes and supplies, and all laws defining offenses and fixing penalties at general elections are hereby made applicable to city elections held in any city of the third or fourth class.

Approved February 20, 1943.

CHAPTER 60-H. F. No. 461

An act relating to the conservation and control of the public domain and natural resources of the state and to the organization, powers and duties of the agencies of the state government concerned therewith, repealing Laws 1931, Chapter 186, Laws 1937, Chapter 310, Laws 1939, Chapter 441, Section 40, and Mason's Supplement 1940, Sections 53-23½ a to 53-23½h, inclusive and 53-23½ to 53-23½u, inclusive.

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

Section 1. **Department of Conservation continued.**—Subdivision 1. The department of conservation shall continue as now constituted, subject to the provisions of this act.