

objection to the removal of such disqualification is filed with the labor conciliator, he shall certify the dispute to the governor, and further proceedings shall thereupon be had in like manner hereinbefore provided for the determination of disputes. Thereupon the labor referee appointed for such proceedings shall make and file his order either confirming the prior order for disqualification or removing the disqualification, as the case may require. If no objection is so filed, the labor conciliator shall make an order removing such disqualification.

Subd. 7. (1) The labor referee appointed by the governor pursuant to the provisions of this act shall have the power to issue subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of evidence which relates to any matter involved in any such hearing, and may administer oaths and affirmations, and may examine witnesses. Such attendance of witnesses and the production of such evidence may be required from any place in the State of Minnesota at any designated place of hearing, but hearings shall be held in a county where the dispute has arisen or exists.

(2) In case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena issued under (1) of this subdivision, the district court of the State of Minnesota for the county where the proceeding is pending or in which the person guilty of such contumacy or refusal to obey is found, or resides, or transacts business, on application by the labor referee shall have jurisdiction to issue to such person an order requiring such person to appear before the labor referee, there to produce evidence as so ordered, or there to give testimony touching the matter under investigation or in question, and any failure to obey such order of the court may be punished by said court as a contempt thereof.

Sec. 7. **Unlawful acts.**—It is unlawful for any labor organization which has been disqualified under Section 6, Subdivision 5, hereof to act as a representative of employees.

Sec. 8. **Minnesota Labor Union Democracy act.**—This act may be cited as the "Minnesota Labor Union Democracy Act."

Approved April 24, 1943.

CHAPTER 626—S. F. No. 1178.

(AMENDING SECTION 106.48 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act relating to maintenance and repair of drainage ditches, and amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 6840-53, Subsections (a) and (b).

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 6840-53, Subsection (a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Subsection (a). **Repairing and cleaning.**—The county board of any county in this state within which is constructed or may hereafter be constructed any state, county, or judicial drainage system lying wholly or partly within the county shall keep the same or such part thereof as lies within the county in proper repair and free from obstruction in the manner specified in this chapter so as to answer its purpose: *said board may cause each drainage system to be annually inspected, either by a committee or board members or a ditch inspector appointed by the board, and if the committee or the inspector shall report that repairs are necessary on any ditch system and such report is approved by the board, it shall cause such repairs to be made immediately. If the committee's or inspector's report shows that the estimated cost of such repairs will be less than \$500.00 the board may have such work done by force account without advertising for bids or entering into a contract therefor, and in case there are sufficient funds to the credit of the drainage system to make such repairs and the improvement consists of cleaning out and repair only, and does not contemplate any improvement other than of restoring the ditch as nearly as practicable to the same condition as it was when originally constructed, such funds may be expended by the county board for such purpose without further assessment as specified in this chapter; but no part of the original ditch fund shall be used for repair or cleaning out a system, or any part thereof, until the same has been completed according to plans and specifications and the board or court shall have so found and determined.*

Sec. 2. **Law amended.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 6840-53, Subsection (b) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Subsection (b). **Payment.**—In case there are not sufficient funds to the credit of the drainage system so to be repaired, the county board may pay for the same out of the general revenue fund of the county. To raise the necessary money to reimburse the general revenue fund the county board is hereby authorized to apportion and assess the costs of the repairs upon all lands originally assessed for benefits in proceedings for the construction of the system, this apportionment and assessment to be in the same proportion as was originally assessed for the benefits: *Provided, however, that for the purpose of creating a fund to the credit of each such drainage system to be used for repairs exclusively, the county board is hereby authorized to apportion and assess the amount of said*

fund so to be created, by ordering the filing of an additional tabular statement and lien against all of the parcels of land originally assessed for benefits in proceedings for the construction of such ditch system and in the same proportion as in the original lien statement. The funds so created to the credit of any drainage system by the filing of additional liens and the amount authorized to be expended for repairs under these provisions shall not exceed ten per cent of the original cost of constructing said ditch system, during any five year period. Such assessments may be made payable in not to exceed five annual installments, as ordered by the county board.

Sec. 3. **Application of act.**—The provisions of this act shall not apply to any game refuge or conservation areas created by Laws of 1929, Chapter 258, Laws 1931, Chapter 407, or Laws 1933, Chapter 402.

Approved April 24, 1943.

CHAPTER 627—S. F. No. 1235.

(AMENDING SECTIONS 282.01; 282.04 AND 282.13 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act relating to land forfeited to the state for taxes; amending Laws 1941, Chapter 511, Section 1, Subsections (d), (e) and (f); and Laws 1941, Chapter 355, Section 1, and Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2139-25, and adding a new section.

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

Section 1. **Law amended—conduct of sale.**—Laws 1941, Chapter 511, Section 1, subdivision (d) is amended to read as follows:

Such sale shall be conducted by the county auditor in the county seat of the county in which such parcels lie, and such parcels shall be sold for cash only and at not less than the appraised value, unless the county board of said county shall have adopted a resolution providing for their sale on terms, in which event such resolution shall control with respect thereto. Provided, however, that when the sale is made on terms other than for cash only a payment of at least ten per cent of the purchase price of *land and improvements* must be made at the time of purchase, thereupon the balance shall be paid in equal *yearly or monthly* installments over