Dawson, according to the certified plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the register of deeds of said county, which land was heretofore acquired by the state upon foreclosure of an old age assistance lien.

Approved March 15, 1945.

## CHAPTER 105-S. F. No. 242

An act relating to destruction of noxious weeds on land owned by corporations which pay gross earnings taxes in lieu of other taxes, authorizing suit to collect the reasonable cost of destruction thereof, and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 20.08.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 20.08, is amended to read:

"20.08. Noxious weeds destroyed by certain corporations on their lands. It shall be the duty of every railway company and every suburban railway company to cause all noxious weeds standing, being, or growing on the right of way or on land of the company adjoining the right of way, to be cut down, otherwise destroyed or eradicated in such manner and at such times as may be directed or ordered by the local weed inspector or by the commissioner or by any one for him. If any such company fails to perform such duty, the local weed inspector shall give the notice provided in Section 20.12, Subdivision 1, which shall be served in the manner of serving a summons in a civil action in the district court. If the weeds are not removed and destroyed within the time directed in the notice, the local weed inspector or the commissioner shall cause them to be removed and destroyed. He shall then furnish to the owner of the land on which the weeds grew an itemized statement showing the reasonable cost of cutting and destroying the weeds, and the owner of the land must pay such reasonable cost to the municipality which caused the destruction thereof. If such owner fails to pay such reasonable cost within 20 days after such statement is furnished, the reasonable cost of removal and destruction of such weeds may be recovered by the municipality or by the commissioner in a civil action."

Approved March 16, 1945.