

of any delinquent money which may be due the state of Minnesota. The bond shall cover all places of business within the state where petroleum products are received by the licensee. All licenses and bonds executed and delivered hereunder shall be for the duration of one year, expiring May 31.

(2) An initial applicant for a distributor's license other than an exclusive industrial user shall furnish a bond in a minimum sum of \$3,000 for the first year.

(3) Whenever it is the opinion of the commissioner that the bond given by a licensee is inadequate in amount to fully protect the state, he shall require an additional bond in such amount as he deems sufficient.

(4) If any licensee desires to be exempt from depositing securities or furnishing such bond as hereinbefore provided he shall furnish an itemized financial statement showing the assets and the liabilities of the applicant and if it shall appear to the commissioner from the financial statement or otherwise that the applicant is financially responsible then the commissioner may exempt such applicant from depositing such securities or furnishing such bond until the commissioner otherwise orders.

(5) The premium on any bond required under Subdivision 2 (1) and (2) and on any additional bond required under Subdivision 2 (3) shall be paid by the commissioner out of a bond premium fund which he shall set up from an appropriation by the Legislature from whatever funds are available. *All of said bonds required during each fiscal year ending May 31st shall be purchased by the Commissioner of Administration from the lowest responsible bidder after advertising for competitive bids in the manner prescribed by Laws 1939, Chapter 431, Article 11, as amended. The Commissioner of Administration shall call for bids within a reasonable period prior to the commencement of each fiscal year and the first call shall cover all new bonds required during the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1945 and ending May 31, 1946."*

Approved March 27, 1945.

CHAPTER 155—S. F. No. 699

An act relating to organization and administration of state government, the powers of the commissioner of administration in the purchase of surplus war equipment without competi-

tive bidding, amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 16.06, Subdivision 3.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 16.06, Subdivision 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"16.06. Manner of purchasing; accounting; reporting. Subdivision 3. *Under rules and regulations prescribed by him, the commissioner may purchase or may authorize the Commissioner of Highways to purchase directly from the Federal Government or any of its agencies, at public auction or otherwise, such surplus or excess war materials, supplies and equipment as the Commissioner of Highways may deem suitable for road construction and maintenance purposes, without calling for bids.*

"Subdivision 4. All regulations made by the commissioner under this section shall prescribe the manner in which purchases shall be made, not inconsistent herewith, and the manner of accounting for and reporting the same to the commissioner and the auditor; provided, that every such purchase shall be so reported within three days."

Approved March 28, 1945.

CHAPTER 156—S. F. No. 752

An act relating to senile persons, providing for the commitment, admission, detention and care thereof, and penalties for the violation of this act.

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

Section 1. **Definitions.** Subdivision 1. The following words and phrases when used in this law, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section.

Subd. 2. "Senile person" means any person who by reason of unsoundness of mind due to advanced years is dangerous to himself or others if permitted to go at large, and is in such condition of mind and body as to be a fit subject for care and treatment in a hospital for senile persons; except that no person who is afflicted with insanity, epilepsy or