

written agreement fixing the percentage of the total compensation, costs of travel, and other expenses to be paid by such county and such city or village.

Sec. 3. Recipients of aid. Any resident of such county shall be entitled to the aid and services of any veterans service officer, assistant veterans service officer, or municipal veterans service officer within such county.

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CHAPTER 484—S. F. No. 956

An act providing for the acquisition of lands for state park purposes in St. Louis County, and for the improvement and maintenance thereof, appropriating money therefor, and authorizing certain municipalities to contribute funds therefor.

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

Section 1. Acquisition of land for state park purposes. For the purposes hereinafter specified the commissioner of conservation is authorized to acquire in the name of the state by purchase or gift or by condemnation under applicable laws the following described lands in the County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota:

Lots One (1) and Two (2), Section Twenty (20), Township Sixty (60) North of Range Twenty-one (21) West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, also Out Lots One (1) and Three (3) and Lots Fifty-five (55) to One Hundred Twelve (112) inclusive, in McCarthy's Beach, St. Louis County, Minnesota, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, the same being a part of Lots Four (4) and Five (5), Section Seventeen (17), in said township and range, subject to existing public streets and highways, and the timber thereon situated, or such portion of said premises as the commissioner may deem necessary and proper for such purposes.

Sec. 2. Limitation of expenditure. The amount expended for acquisition of all of said lands shall not exceed \$60,000, and if less than the whole be acquired the maximum authorized expenditure shall be reduced in proportion to the area acquired.

Sec. 3. Supervision; name. Such lands, when acquired, shall be a state park under the supervision and control of the commissioner of conservation as provided for other state parks. The commissioner, after consulting with such public officials and residents of the adjacent area and others as he deems proper, shall, by order filed with the secretary of state, give this park a name, to remain in effect unless changed by act of the legislature.

Sec. 4. Contributions. Any municipality situated within 25 miles of any part of the lands to be acquired as herein provided may contribute funds toward the cost of acquisition, improvement, and maintenance of said park in an amount not exceeding \$1.50 per capita of the population of such municipality for the purposes of acquisition and initial permanent improvements and not exceeding 50 cents per capita of its population annually for subsequent improvements and maintenance. Such contributions may be made out of any park fund, permanent improvement and replacement fund, or other fund maintained by such municipality for the acquisition, improvement, or maintenance of public parks, buildings or other permanent improvements or out of the general funds of such municipality, notwithstanding any provisions of charter governing such funds to the contrary, and such contributions shall not be subject to any requirements for a vote of the people imposed by law or charter provisions upon such municipality. Such contributions shall be paid to the state treasurer and kept in special funds designated for the purposes for which the contributions are made as herein authorized, and are hereby appropriated to the commissioner of conservation for such purposes.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated to the commissioner of conservation out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$25,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for acquisition of such lands, to be available upon condition that contributions sufficient to pay the balance of the cost of the lands and expenses of acquisition thereof be made by interested municipalities as herein authorized; provided, that the amount paid therefor from such contributions shall be at least equal to the amount paid from this appropriation.

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