

convey to the village of Pine City, in Pine County, Minnesota certain lands in Pine County, upon certain conditions.

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

Section 1. Conveyance to Pine City. The commissioner of conservation is authorized and directed to convey to the village of Pine City in Pine County, Minnesota, by a proper deed, the following described real estate situated in the village of Pine City, Pine County, Minnesota, to-wit: The east two hundred feet of Block B, all that part of Block C lying westerly of Trunk Highway No. 61, and all of that tract lying between said Block B and C which was formerly the part of Sixth Street lying north of Snake River and is now vacated as a street; all being in the original townsite (now village) of Pine City, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Approved April 2, 1947.

CHAPTER 226—H. F. No. 962

[Coded as Section 17.35, Subdivisions 1 to 9]

An act relating to raising, breeding, and handling of certain domestic fur bearing animals.

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

[17.35] **Farms for raising domestic fur-bearing animals.**
Section 1. Subdivision 1. Definitions. Unless the language or context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the following words, terms, and phrases, for the purposes of this act, shall be given the meaning subjoined to them:

(a) "Domestic animal or animals" means fox, mink, chinchilla, karakul, marten, or fisher raised in captivity for two or more generations for breeding or commercial purposes;

(b) "Fur farmer" means anyone engaged in breeding, raising, selling, or disposing of domesticated fur-bearing animals;

(c) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of agriculture, dairy, and food;

(d) "Person" means individual, firm, copartnership, association or corporation.

Sec. 2. Subd. 2. Deemed agricultural products. Such domestic animals, the pelts and products thereof, shall be deemed agricultural products, and the breeding, raising, producing and marketing thereof shall be deemed to be an agricultural pursuit.

Sec. 3. Subd. 3. Powers of commissioner; license. Before any person shall engage in the business as a fur farmer he shall obtain a license therefor from the commissioner. An application for such license shall be made to the commissioner in writing, accompanied with a fee of \$5.00, stating the name of the applicant, the description of the premises upon which such business is to be conducted, the species of the domestic animals to be maintained and handled thereon, and such further information as the commissioner may require. The commissioner shall grant the application and issue a license after he has determined that the application is made in good faith and with intent to carry on the business described in the application, and that the facilities are adequate therefor. All licenses issued pursuant to this act shall expire on the 31st day of December of the year for which the same is issued. Any person to whom a license has been issued may, upon application, obtain a renewal license upon payment of an annual fee of \$5.00, which application for renewal shall be made on or before the 15th day of December of each year. All moneys received in payment of license fees under this act shall be paid into the general revenue fund.

Sec. 4. Subd. 4. Transportation; tags. Every fur farmer transporting or selling any pelts of domestic animals shall attach to every package of pelts a tag identifying the pelts therein. Such tags shall be obtained from the commissioner.

Sec. 5. Subd. 5. Annual report. On or before January 31 of each year every fur farmer shall file with the commissioner a verified report of the number of pelts of each species sold during the preceding calendar year.

Sec. 6. Subd. 6. Enforcement. The commissioner shall enforce the provisions of this act and for such purpose is authorized to make and adopt such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 7. Subd. 7. Penalty. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 8. Subd. 8. Limitation. This act shall not be construed so as to modify, amend, or repeal any provision of law relating to wild game or birds, or wild fur-bearing animals.

Sec. 9. Subd. 9. **Paid up license.** The license fee of \$5.00 heretofore paid to the department of game and fish, as of January 1, for the calendar year of 1947, shall carry over to December 31, 1947, when renewals shall be made with the commissioner of agriculture, as provided in Section 3 of this act.

Approved April 2, 1947.

CHAPTER 227—S. F. No. 577

An act relating to real estate holdings of life insurance companies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 61.12, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 61.12, is amended to read as follows:

61.12. Real estate holdings of domestic life insurance companies. Subd. 2. Building project authorized. Provided, that, to promote and supplement public and private efforts to provide an adequate supply of decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling accommodations for persons of low and moderate income; to relieve unemployment; to alleviate the shortage of rental residences; and to assist in relieving the emergency in the housing situation in cities and their environs in this country through investment of funds, any domestic life insurance company, prior to December first, nineteen hundred fifty-one, may purchase or lease from any owner or owners (including states and political subdivisions thereof), real property in, or within ten miles from, any city having a population of 25,000 or more in any state in which such company is licensed to transact the business of life insurance; and on any real property so acquired, or on real property so located and acquired otherwise in the conduct of its business, such company may erect apartment, tenement, or other dwelling houses, not including hotels, but including accommodations for retail stores, shops, offices, and other community services reasonably incident to such projects; or, to provide such housing or accommodations, may construct, reconstruct, improve, or remove any buildings or other improvements thereon. Such company may thereafter own, improve, maintain, manage, collect or receive income from, sell, lease, or convey any such real property and the