

majority of the voters of the county voting thereon at a special election, all such proceedings are hereby legalized and validated and the county board shall be authorized to issue and sell such bonds notwithstanding any limitation upon the indebtedness which may be created by any county for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and maintaining a suitable court house and jail under any existing law.

**Sec. 2. Remedial.** It is expressly found and determined this act is remedial in nature, being necessary to protect the public peace, health and safety of such counties.

**Sec. 3. Limitation.** This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeal now pending in which the validity of any such bonds is called in question.

Approved February 16, 1951.

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#### CHAPTER 19—S. F. No. 343

*An act relating to wild animals and to the taking thereof when causing damage or injury; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 100.27, Subd. 7.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 100.27, Subd. 7, is amended to read as follows:

Subd. 7. *Badger*, mink, squirrels, rabbits, hares, or beaver may be taken in any manner, except by poison, or artificial lights in closed season, by the actual occupant or owner of any land whereon the animals so killed are causing any damage or injury. Upon so killing any such animal, the entire carcass, including the hide, shall be turned over and surrendered to the nearest warden or employee of the division within 24 hours of the time such animal was killed.

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#### CHAPTER 20—H. F. No. 51

*An act relating to state lands on meandered lakes and other public waters and watercourses and the timber thereon; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 92.45.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 92.45, is amended to read:

**92.45 State Land on Meandered Lakes withdrawn from sale; exception.** All state lands bordering on or adjacent to meandered lakes and other public waters and watercourses and the live timber growing or being thereon hereby are withdrawn from sale *except as hereinafter provided. The commissioner of conservation may sell any such timber as otherwise provided by law for cutting and removal under such conditions as he shall prescribe in accordance with approved, sustained-yield forestry practices. He shall reserve such timber and impose such other conditions as he deems necessary for the protection of watersheds, wildlife habitat, shorelines, and scenic features. Within the area in Cook, Lake, and St. Louis counties described in the Act of Congress approved July 10, 1930, (46 Stat. 1020), the timber on state lands shall be subject to like restrictions as are now imposed by said act on federal lands.*

Of all such land bordering on or adjacent to meandered lakes and other public waters and watercourses and so withdrawn from sale, a strip two rods in width, the ordinary high-water mark being the water side boundary thereof, and the land-side boundary thereof being a line drawn parallel to the ordinary high-water mark and two rods distant landward therefrom, hereby is reserved for public travel thereon, and wherever the conformation of the shore line or conditions require, the commissioner shall reserve a wider strip for such purposes.

Any such state lands bordering on or adjacent to the Mississippi River or any such lakes, waters, and watercourses in the bottom lands thereof, desired or needed by the United States government for, or in connection with, any project heretofore authorized by Congress for the improvement of navigation in the Mississippi River, may be sold by the commissioner at public sale according to law, as in other cases, upon application by a fully authorized United States official, setting forth a description of the land and transmitted with a map showing its location with reference to adjoining properties.

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