

tried at the county seat of said county as now provided by law, and all other actions to determine title to real estate shall be tried at the county seat, except that by written consent of all the parties thereto any such action may be tried at said city of Virginia, at the village of Hibbing, or the city of Ely in accordance with such written consent; but no officer having in his custody any of the public records of St. Louis county shall be required to produce such record at the trial of any action not on trial at the county seat, save upon the order of the court providing for the production of such record and its immediate return to the officer producing it, upon its introduction as evidence in such cause.

Subd. 3. Special terms of said district court shall also be held at the city of Virginia at least once in each month, and at the village of Hibbing at least once in each month, on such days and at such times as the court may designate by order, for the hearing of such matters as are usually held at special terms and at chambers in the district court, and the court may, by order, provide for holding special terms of court at the city of Ely at any time when in the judgment and discretion of the court it shall deem it expedient so to do, for the hearing of such matters as are usually heard at special terms and at chambers, in the district court, and may in such order, if it deem it expedient, provide for the trial of issues of fact and law in cases where such action is to be tried by the court without a jury or a jury has been waived by the parties to the action, and such waiver has been filed with the clerk of court.

Subd. 4. No jury shall be summoned for service at the terms herein specified for Cook county or for the city of Ely, in St. Louis county, except upon order of the judge assigned to preside at such term.

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. CHAPTER 20—H. F. No. 82

[Coded]

An act designating the Red Pine (Pinus Resinosa) more commonly known as Norway Pine as the official state tree.

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

WHEREAS, It is the practice in many states to adopt a state tree, as a symbol indicating the history, background and physical characteristics of the state, and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has not yet adopted a state tree, and by reason thereof is losing this opportunity to create a symbol, the publicity of which disseminates information concerning the history, background and physical characteristics of the State of Minnesota throughout the world, and

WHEREAS, the Red Pine (*Pinus Resinosa*) more commonly known as Norway Pine is a tree which is native to the State of Minnesota, and pure stands of the tree have been found in many parts of the state, and

WHEREAS, the Red Pine (*Pinus Resinosa*) more commonly known as Norway Pine is a tree that has supplied much of the timber that was harvested in the State of Minnesota in years gone by, and helped lay the foundation for much of the wealth of the State of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, the Red Pine (*Pinus Resinosa*) more commonly known as Norway Pine is a sturdy and majestic tree, of long life, free from disease and insect attack, and is being recognized as a tree desirable for planting in connection with reforestation, now therefore,

Section 1. [1.143] **State tree, designation.** The Red Pine (*Pinus Resinosa*) more commonly known as Norway Pine is hereby designated as the official state tree of the State of Minnesota.

Sec. 2. [1.144] **State tree, photograph.** A photograph of the Red Pine (*Pinus Resinosa*) more commonly known as Norway Pine, to be obtained and approved by the commissioner of conservation, shall be so certified and be preserved in the office of the Secretary of State.

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CHAPTER 21—H. F. No. 180

[Coded]

An act providing for the joinder of the State of Minnesota as a party defendant in certain actions.

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

Section 1. [559.013] **State as party defendant.** [Subdivision 1.] **Service.** The state may be made a party defendant to an action brought under Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 559.01. In such cases where the state is made a party