

Section 1. [20.36] **Powers and duties transferred to commissioner of agriculture, dairy, and food.** All powers and duties now conferred on the director of the division of forestry in the department of conservation by Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 88.23 to 88.26 inclusive are hereby transferred to and vested in the commissioner of agriculture, dairy and food.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 88.26, is amended to read:

88.26 **Cooperation. Subdivision 1. Purposes.** The *commissioner of agriculture, dairy and food* may cooperate with the departments of the federal government, the state department of *conservation*, the agricultural experiment station, and with counties, towns, *villages, cities*, associations, and individuals in the state generally for the suppression and control of white pine blister-rust and for carrying out such investigations of the disease and its control as are deemed advisable by the *commissioner*.

Subd. 2. **Powers.** The *commissioner* shall have the same power and duties for suppression and control of the white pine blister-rust on land within or contiguous to any nursery in the state. The expense necessary for carrying out the provisions of this *subdivision* shall be paid from the appropriation for nursery inspection or other funds of the department of agriculture, dairy and food.

Subd. 3. **Entry of certain plants into state or movement within state.** The *commissioner* is hereby authorized and empowered to prohibit and prevent or regulate the entry into or movement within the state, from any part thereof to any other part, of any white pines or any plants of the genera *Ribes* or *Grossularia* when such plants are to be shipped into blister-rust control areas, and may be enforced in like manner to that prescribed in section 18.03.

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CHAPTER 712—S. F. No. 1414

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An act authorizing the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain corporations whose period of duration has expired without the renewal thereof, and legalizing acts and contracts of such corporations made or done and performed subsequent to the expiration of the original period of existence of such corporations.

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

Section 1. Renewal of corporate existence, certain corporations. Any religious, social, fraternal, charitable, hospital association or other corporation not organized for pecuniary profit, with or without capital stock, whose period of duration has expired prior to the passage of this act and the same has not been renewed and such corporation has continued to transact its business, or whose assets have not been liquidated and distributed, may renew its corporate existence from the date of its expiration for a further definite term or perpetually from and after the term of its expired period of duration, with the same force and effect as if renewed prior to the expiration of its term of existence, by resolution adopted by a three-fourths vote of the stock, or members in case of mutual or non-stock corporations, or, by a resolution adopted by a majority vote of the stockholders where the articles of incorporation provided that each stockholder was entitled to but one vote irrespective of the number of shares of stock owned by him, represented at any regular meeting, or at any special meeting called for that purpose, which shall have been clearly specified in the call, and by taking such further proceedings as may now be provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of any such corporation in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration.

Sec. 2. Proceeding, time to commence. Such proceedings to obtain such extension shall be taken within two years after the approval of this act.

Sec. 3. Relation back. When such proceedings are taken within such period of time, such proceedings shall relate back to the date of expiration of such original corporate period as fixed by its articles of incorporation or by statutory limitation. When such period is extended as provided by this act, any and all corporate acts and contracts done and performed, made and entered into after the expiration of said original period shall be and each is hereby declared to be legal and valid.

Sec. 4. Application, limitation on. This act shall not apply to any corporation the charter of which has been declared forfeited by the final judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction of this state, or to any corporation as to which there is pending any action or proceedings in any of the courts of this state for forfeiture of its charter, nor shall this act affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state in relation to any corporation described in Section 1 of this act.

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