

Statutes 1953, Section 98.50, Subdivision 1, and repealing Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.50, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

98.50 **Issuance.** Subdivision 1. County auditors are hereby appointed agents of the commissioner for the sale of licenses to take big and small game and fish, and to trap furbearing animals, to *residents of the state*, and to take big and small game and fish, to non-residents of the state. Each county auditor may appoint sub-agents within his county to sell such licenses, and upon such appointment, the auditor shall notify the commissioner forthwith of the name and address of the sub-agent. Such appointments may be revoked by the auditor at any time and he may require such security of the agent as he deems advisable, and he shall revoke any agency upon demand of the commissioner. The county auditor shall be responsible for all license blanks issued to, and license fees received by, his agents.

Sec. 2. **Repealer.** Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.50, Subdivision 4, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 182—S. F. No. 83

An act relating to game and fish, providing for the issuance of licenses for the taking thereof; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.45.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.45, is amended to read:

98.45 **Requirement.** Subdivision 1. Except as specifically permitted in chapters 97 to 102, no person *may* take, buy, sell, transport, or possess any protected wild animals of this state or *any* aquatic plants without first *procuring* a license therefor *as provided* in section 98.46 or *in section* 98.48. Every license *is* issued for the calendar year and *is* void after the last day of the open season or the lawful time within that year during which the acts authorized may be performed. No license to take deer with a firearm, beaver *or otter*, *may* be issued to any person after the third day of the open season provided therefor for that year. Only one license of each kind *may* be issued to a person in any calendar year. *No license may be transferred except as expressly authorized.*

Subd. 2. Every person to whom a license is issued shall have it upon his person while doing any act for which the license is required and while traveling to and from the grounds upon which such acts are performed, and upon the request of any game warden or peace officer shall exhibit the license issued to him. No receipt for license fees, copy of any license, or any evidence purporting to show the issuance of a license is valid evidence so as to entitle the holder to exercise the rights or privileges conferred by a license.

Subd. 3. No person may lend or transfer to another or borrow or solicit from another any license, coupon, or seal attached thereto or issued therewith, or use any license, coupon, or seal not issued to him unless otherwise expressly authorized.

Subd. 4. Except as provided in subdivision 6, a person who is not a citizen of the United States may take, buy, sell, transport, or possess wild animals in this state only as a nonresident. Any firearm in possession of such alien for any purpose, other than hunting as a nonresident, is contraband and subject to confiscation.

Subd. 5. When provision is not made for a license for nonresidents to engage in activities requiring a license of residents, nonresidents may not engage in such activities.

Subd. 6. An alien wife or husband of a resident of this state may take, buy, sell, transport, or possess wild animals as a resident. Any other alien who has made a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the Statutes of the United States relating to the naturalization of aliens, and who is qualified as a resident of the state except for citizenship, may take, buy, sell, transport, or possess wild animals as a resident.

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CHAPTER 183—S. F. No. 216

An act to establish a state forest to be known as the White Pine State Forest.

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

Section 1. **White Pine State Forest.** Subdivision 1. Except as otherwise hereafter provided, all lands and waters now owned by the state or hereafter acquired by the state within the boundaries of the areas hereinafter described and not dedicated for other purposes pursuant to law are hereby