

90.09 Prosecutions. The attorney general shall prosecute or cause to be prosecuted by the county attorney when the public interest so requires any person who may be charged with any indictable offense under this chapter.

The county attorneys of the several counties shall promptly report to the commissioner all trespasses committed upon the lands mentioned in this chapter which may come to their knowledge and when directed by the attorney general shall prosecute all actions for any trespass or injury thereto, for the recovery of the possession thereof, or otherwise.

The county attorneys shall prosecute all trespass on lands or timber on lands held in trust by the state for the counties in their respective counties.

Approved April 7, 1955.

CHAPTER 388—H. F. No. 967

[Coded]

An act relating to game and fish, providing for the issuance of licenses to take fish without charge in certain instances amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.47.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 98.47, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 11.] *A license to take fish shall be issued to any citizen of a foreign country who is attending any public, private or parochial school in this state as an exchange student, without any charge therefor.*

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CHAPTER 389—H. F. No. 973

An act relating to deeds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 282.011.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 282.011, is amended to read:

282.011 **Non-agricultural lands, classification.** *Subdi-*

vision 1. Any lands which have become the absolute property of the state through forfeiture for non-payment of taxes and which have been classified by the county board as conservation lands under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.01, or have been classified as non-agricultural lands under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.14, or any such lands which shall hereafter be so classified, may be designated by the county board of the county in which such lands lie, by resolution duly adopted, as appropriate and primarily suitable for either specific conservation purposes or for auxiliary forest lands. Any resolution so adopted, together with a list of the lands involved shall be forwarded to the commissioner of conservation who shall promptly approve or disapprove the whole or any part thereof. He shall thereupon make his certificate showing the lands approved, transmit the same to the county auditor who shall note the same upon his records. Lands so designated and so approved shall thereupon be appraised and the whole, or any part thereof, may be offered for sale and sold in the same manner as provided for the sale of lands classified as non-conservation lands under Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.01, or as agricultural lands under Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.14, as the case may be, according to the status of such lands upon forfeiture. The right to a deed of conveyance to such property accorded the purchaser at any such sale shall be conditioned upon the lands being placed in an auxiliary forest or used for designated conservation purposes as designated by the resolution of the county board.

Subd. 2. The condition as to the placing of land into an auxiliary forest or for use for designated conservation purposes shall be a condition precedent. Any deed of conveyance of lands so placed shall be upon a form approved by the attorney general but such conveyance shall not be a fee determinable nor contain any conditions therein other than a reservation of the minerals and mineral rights to the state for its own use, or in trust for the appropriate taxing district as the case may be, according to the status of the land upon forfeiture. The land so placed, however, shall be subject to the requirements for withdrawal of lands from an auxiliary forest contained in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 88.49, Subdivision 9. The procedure contained in that section shall also be applicable, so far as possible, to lands designated for conservation purposes other than an auxiliary forest.

Subd. 3. The commissioner of taxation shall, if requested by the purchaser or the county attorney of the county where all or a portion of the land is situated, deliver the deed to the county attorney for use by him under Minnesota Statutes 1953,

Section 88.48, Subdivision 5, but such delivery shall not be considered delivery to the purchaser. The county attorney shall be instructed in the transferral of the deed to him that said deed shall not be delivered to the purchaser unless the land involved is accepted as and placed into an auxiliary forest.

Subd. 4. All deeds executed and delivered by the state pursuant to this section before the effective date of this act, containing conditions subsequent or conveying determinable fees, shall at the request of the purchaser, be returned to the commissioner who is herewith empowered to issue a new deed pursuant to subdivision 2 above.

Approved April 7, 1955.

CHAPTER 390—H. F. No. 1467

[Coded]

An act relating to the incorporation of certain organized towns as villages and regulating the powers thereof.

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

Section 1. [412.012] Incorporation of villages, powers. Any organized town having a population of more than 500 persons, a platted area on which at least half of the population of the town resides, and containing within its limits both lands containing taconite as described in Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 298.23, and a plant or plants for the concentration of taconite, either under construction or in operation, may organize as a village in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes 1953, Chapter 412, and the territory within such town shall be deemed to be so conditioned as properly to be subjected to village government. The petition for the calling of an election on the question of incorporation may be signed by 25 voters who have resided continuously in the territory proposed to be incorporated for at least one year prior to the date of the petition. Upon approval by a majority of the electors of any village so organized at a general village election at which the question of issuing such license is submitted, licenses under Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 340.11, may be issued without regard to the limitation of subdivision 15 of said section but subject to all the other restrictions therein contained.

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