

tionment shall govern. When so apportioned the commission shall forward to the board of county commissioners of each county a certified copy of such resolution, and each county board shall then proceed to pay, if it has funds available for that purpose, or to make a tax levy for the amount apportioned to its county. All moneys collected or received for such sanatorium purposes, except cost of site, erection, and equipment, shall be deposited in the treasury of the county or counties to the credit of the tuberculosis sanatorium funds, and shall not be used for any other purpose and shall be paid out in a manner provided by law for other county expenses by the proper officers of the county or counties upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the county sanatorium commission, signed by the president and the secretary thereof, and all moneys collected or received to be used toward the payment of the cost of site, erection, and equipment of such sanatorium shall be sent by each county treasurer to the state treasurer to be placed to the credit of the sanatorium and shall be paid out in the manner as in this section provided for other payments toward cost of site, erection, and equipment of the sanatorium.

Approved April 16, 1955.

CHAPTER 467—H. F. No. 74

An act relating to the sale or concealment of mortgaged chattels; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 621.21.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 621.21 is amended to read :

621.21 Mortgaged chattels; selling, concealing. Every person who, with intent to place mortgaged personal property beyond the reach of the mortgagee or his assigns, shall remove or conceal, or aid or abet in removing or concealing, any such property, and any mortgagor of such property who shall assent to or knowingly suffer such removal or concealment, or, at any time before the debts secured by a chattel mortgage has been fully paid, shall sell, convey, or in any manner dispose of the personal property so mortgaged, or any part thereof, without the written consent of the mortgagee or his assigns, or without informing the person to whom he shall sell, convey, or dispose of the same that it is mortgaged, and the true amount then due on the debt secured by such mortgage, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison or county jail for not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than \$500;

provided, that if the amount of the debt remaining unpaid at the time of selling or concealing is \$1,000 or more, such person may be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than three years.

“Chattel mortgage,” within the meaning of this section, shall include every written instrument, whether in form a chattel mortgage or contract of conditional sale, whereby the title of personal property therein described is mortgaged, held, or reserved as security for a debt; mortgaged personal property shall include all personal property which is described in or covered by any such instrument; and the provisions and penalties of this section shall apply to all vendors and vendees of personal property, the title to which is so held or reserved, in the same manner and with the same force and effect as applicable to mortgagors and mortgagees.

When, in any prosecution under this section, it shall appear that default has occurred in the payment of the debts secured by the mortgage or conditional sale contract, and it shall further appear that the mortgagor or conditional vendee has failed or refused to reveal the location of the mortgaged property or the property to which the title was reserved, it shall then be considered as prima facie evidence that the mortgagor or conditional vendee has removed, concealed, or disposed of the property.

In any prosecution under this section, it shall be a sufficient allegation and description of the mortgage and the mortgaging of personal property to state that such property was duly mortgaged by a certain chattel mortgage, giving the date thereof and the names of the mortgagor and the mortgagee.

Approved April 16, 1955.

CHAPTER 468—H. F. No. 87

[Coded]

An act authorizing courts to suspend the license of drivers of motor vehicles and to impound the registration plates and registration certificates of motor vehicles driven by persons having drivers licenses.

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

Section 1. [168.041] Impounding registration plates