

shipper, the name of the person preparing the container for shipment, his license number as issued under Minnesota Statutes, Section 98.46, Subdivision 5, and the number and specie of fish contained, and the net weight thereof.

(3) Each licensee authorized to prepare dressed game fish for shipment shall maintain a permanent record of the name, address and license number of each licensed fisherman making such shipment, the name and address of the consignee, the number and specie of fish contained in the shipment, the net weight thereof, and such records shall be available to inspection by state game wardens at all times.

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CHAPTER 565—S. F. No. 1307

An act relating to municipal housing and redevelopment and urban renewal; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 462.415; 462.421, Subdivision 13; 462.445, Subdivision 4; 462.491; 462.501, Subdivision 1; 462.511; 462.545, Subdivision 6; 462.581; 462.651, Subdivision 1; 462.481, 462.525 and 462.641.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.415, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. It is hereby declared that certain slum, blighted, or deteriorated areas, or portions thereof, require acquisition and clearance, as provided in sections 462.411 to 462.711, since the prevailing condition of decay may make impracticable reclamation of the area by conservation or rehabilitation, but other areas or portions thereof are, through the means provided in sections 462.411 to 462.711 susceptible of conservation or rehabilitation in such a manner that the conditions and evils hereinbefore enumerated may be eliminated, remedied or prevented; salvable slum and blighted areas should be conserved and rehabilitated to the extent feasible through voluntary action and the regulatory process; and all powers conferred by sections 462.411 to 462.711, are for public uses and purposes for which public money may be expended and such other powers exercised; and the necessity in the public interest for the provisions of sections 462.411 to 462.711 is hereby declared as a matter of legislative determination. The municipality, to the greatest extent it determines to be feasible in carrying out the provisions of sections 462.411

to 462.711, shall afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the municipality as a whole, to the rehabilitation or redevelopment of areas by private enterprise.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.421, Subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. "Redevelopment project" shall mean any work or undertaking:

(1) To acquire blighted areas and other real property for the purpose of removing, preventing, or reducing blight, blighting factors, or the causes of blight;

(2) To clear any areas acquired and install, construct or reconstruct streets, utilities, and site improvements essential to the preparation of sites for uses in accordance with the redevelopment plan;

(3) To sell or lease land so acquired for uses in accordance with the redevelopment plan; or

(4) To accomplish a combination of the foregoing to carry out a redevelopment plan.

The term "redevelopment project" shall also mean a redevelopment project heretofore initiated as then provided by law and approved by the governing body of the municipality prior to July 1, 1951, as prescribed by Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 462.521.

The term "redevelopment project" also may be applied to the preparation of a redevelopment plan and to the initiation, planning, survey and other administrative costs of a redevelopment project and also to the preparation of technical and financial plans and arrangements for buildings, structures, and improvements and all other work in connection therewith.

The term "redevelopment" and the term "redevelopment project" shall also include "urban renewal" and "urban renewal project". The term "urban renewal project" may include undertakings and activities for the elimination (and for the prevention of the development or spread) of slums or blighted, deteriorated, or deteriorating areas and may involve any work or undertaking for such purpose constituting a redevelopment project or any rehabilitation or conservation work, or any combination of such undertaking or work. For this purpose, "rehabilitation or conservation work" may include (1) carrying out plans for a program of voluntary or compulsory repair and rehabilitation of buildings or other improvements; (2) acquisition of real property and demolition, removal, or rehabilitation of buildings and improve-

ments thereon where necessary to eliminate unhealthful, unsanitary or unsafe conditions, lessen density, reduce traffic hazards, eliminate obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare, or to otherwise remove or prevent the spread of blight or deterioration or to provide land for needed public facilities; (3) installation, construction, or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other improvements necessary for carrying out the objectives of the urban renewal project, and (4) the disposition, for uses in accordance with the objectives of the urban renewal project, of any property or part thereof acquired in the area of such project; provided that such disposition shall be in the manner prescribed in this Act for the disposition of property in a redevelopment project area.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.445, Subdivision 4, is amended to read as follows:

Subd. 4. **Additional powers.** An authority shall further have power:

(1) To make, or agree to make, such payments in lieu of taxes to the city or the county, the state or any political subdivision thereof, as it finds consistent with the purposes of Sections 462.415 to 462.711;

(2) To cooperate with or act as agent for the federal government, the state or any state public body, or any agency or instrumentality of the foregoing, in carrying out any of the provisions of sections 462.415 to 462.711 or of any other related federal, state or local legislation; provided, however, that in order that an authority will direct its powers to increasing the supply of public low rent housing and undertake redevelopment projects as provided in these sections, an authority shall not take over or manage any existing housing owned, controlled, or managed by a municipality or other local public body;

(3) nothing in sections 462.415 to 462.711 shall allow an authority to purchase, lease, or take over, in any way, any housing project already owned and operated by the government of the United States or any agency thereof;

To make (i) plans for carrying out a program of voluntary repair and rehabilitation of buildings and improvements, and (ii) plans for the enforcement of laws, codes, and regulations relating to the use of land and the use and occupancy of buildings and improvements, and to the compulsory repair, rehabilitation, demolition, or removal of buildings and improvements. The Authority is authorized to develop, test, and report methods and techniques, and carry out demonstra-

tions and other activities, for the prevention and the elimination of slums and urban blight.

(4) To borrow money or other property and accept contributions, grants, gifts, services, or other assistance from the federal government, the state government, state public bodies, or from any other public or private sources;

(5) To include in any contract for financial assistance with the federal government any conditions which the federal government may attach to its financial aid of a project, not inconsistent with the purposes of sections 462.415 to 462.711, including obligating itself (which obligation shall be specifically enforceable and not constitute a mortgage, notwithstanding any other laws) to convey to the federal government the project to which such contract relates upon the occurrence of a substantial default with respect to the covenants or conditions to which such authority is subject; to provide in such contract that, in case of such conveyance, the federal government may complete, operate, manage, lease, convey or otherwise deal with the project until such defaults are cured if the federal government agrees in such contract to reconvey to the authority the project as then constituted when such defaults have been cured;

(6) To issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, as hereinafter provided, for any of its corporate purposes and to secure the same by mortgages upon property held or to be held by it or by pledge of its revenues, including grants or contributions;

(7) To invest any funds held in reserves or sinking funds, or any funds not required for immediate disbursement, in property or securities in which savings banks may legally invest funds subject to their control;

(8) Within its area of operation to determine where substandard, slum, or blighted areas exist or where there is unsafe, unsanitary, or overcrowded housing;

(9) To establish and revise from time to time the maximum amount of income of tenants entitled to admission to housing projects of an authority, subject to the qualifications in sections 462.415 to 462.711 contained;

(10) To undertake and carry out studies and analyses of the housing and redevelopment needs within its area of operation and of the meeting of those needs (including data with respect to population and family groups and the distribution thereof according to income groups, the amount and quality of available housing and its distribution according to rentals

and sales prices, employment, wages, desirable patterns for land use and community growth, and other factors affecting the local housing and redevelopment needs and the meeting thereof) and to make the results of those studies and analyses available to the public and building, housing and supply industries; and to engage in research and disseminate information on housing and redevelopment;

(11) When a local public body does not have a planning agency or when a comprehensive or general community development plan or plans is or are not already available by the planning agency, to make or cause to be made such plans as a guide in the more detailed planning of housing and redevelopment areas;

(12) To lease or rent any dwellings, accommodations, lands, buildings, structures, or facilities embraced in any project and (subject to the limitations contained in sections 462.415 to 462.711 with respect to the rental of dwellings in housing projects) to establish and revise the rents or charges therefor;

(13) To own, hold, and improve real or personal property and to sell, lease, exchange, transfer, assign, pledge, or dispose of any real or personal property or any interest therein;

(14) To insure or provide for the insurance of any real or personal property or operations of the authority against any risks or hazards;

(15) To procure or agree to the procurement of government insurance or guaranties of the payment of any bonds or parts thereof issued by an authority, including the powers to pay premiums on such insurance;

(16) To make such expenditures as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of Sections 462.415 to 462.711.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.491, is amended to read:

462.491 Availability, low income families. The dwellings in public low-rent housing shall be available solely for families of low income whose net family income does not exceed the maximum net family income falling within the lowest 20 per cent by number of all family incomes in the area of operation as such maximum net family income shall have been determined, or from time to time redetermined, by the authority; provided that at the end of one year after the effective date of Laws 1947, Chapter 487, and each year there-

after, this restriction shall be re-examined by the state housing commission, and a public hearing shall be held by the commission to determine whether administrative or interpretive difficulties or unsatisfactory progress in the provision of low-rent housing *or redevelopment* require a modification thereof. Upon the conclusion of that hearing, the commission is authorized to and shall forthwith modify the restriction first set out in this section to the extent, if any, that may be required to make satisfactory progress in the provision of low-rent housing *or redevelopment*.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.501, is amended to read:

462.501 Limit on period of occupancy. Subdivision 1. **Four years.** The occupancy of any dwelling unit in a housing project under the jurisdiction of the authority shall not exceed four years and that at the end of a four-year term the right of the tenant to occupy a housing project shall cease and he shall be required to move; except that, upon a resolution of the authority based upon findings of *fact* justifying continued occupancy, a tenant may be permitted to remain for an additional period *or periods*.

Subd. 2. Power of authority not limited. Nothing contained in Sections 462.465 to 462.501 shall be construed as limiting the power of an authority (1) with respect to a housing project to vest in an obligee the right, in the event of a default by the authority, to take possession thereof or cause the appointment of a receiver thereof, free from all the restrictions imposed by this or the preceding section; or (2) with respect to a redevelopment project, in the event of a default by a purchaser or lessee of land, to acquire property and operate it free from such restrictions.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.511, is amended to read:

462.511 Existing buildings; acquisition, repair. In order to conserve the existing housing supply, an authority is authorized to purchase or lease or otherwise acquire existing buildings for low-rent housing whenever this is feasible, in lieu of new construction. All the provisions of sections 462.415 to 462.711 relating to other low-rent housing projects shall be applicable to such projects. Before proceeding with such project, an authority shall make an analysis demonstrating:

(1) The buildings to be acquired or leased shall be in such condition that it is feasible to remodel, repair, or re-

construct them and that the buildings, when rehabilitated will provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing;

(2) The rehabilitation of the buildings comprising the project will prevent or arrest the spread of blight so as to protect the neighborhood in which the buildings are located;

(3) The rehabilitated buildings will provide low-rent housing and will otherwise accomplish the purposes of sections 462.415 to 462.711.

Nothing in this section contained shall be a limitation upon the powers of an authority with respect to a redevelopment project.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.545, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Operation area a taxing district, special tax.** All of the territory included within the area of operation of any authority shall constitute a taxing district for the purpose of levying and collecting special benefit taxes for redevelopment purposes as provided in this subdivision. All of the taxable property, both real and personal, within that taxing district shall be deemed to be benefited by redevelopment projects to the extent of the special taxes levied under the provisions hereof. Subject to the consent by resolution, of the governing body of the municipality in and for which it was created, an authority is authorized to levy in each year a special tax upon all property, both real and personal, within that taxing district. The authority shall cause the tax so levied each year to be certified to the auditor of the county in which the taxing district is located on or before October 10th in each year. Such tax so levied and certified shall be extended, spread, and included with and as a part of the general taxes for state, county and municipal purposes, by the county auditor, to be collected and enforced therewith, together with the penalty, interest, and costs, and as such tax (including any penalties, interest, and costs) is collected by the county treasurer it shall be accumulated and kept in a separate fund to be known as the "Redevelopment Project Fund" and shall be turned over to the authority at the same time and in the same manner that the tax collections for the municipality are turned over to the municipality, and shall be expended and applied for the purpose of *the redevelopment provisions of sections 462.411 to 462.711*, and for no other purpose whatsoever. It shall be paid out upon vouchers signed by the chairman of the authority or his duly authorized representative. The amount of such special tax levy for the first two consecutive levy-making periods after the organization of the authority shall

be an amount approved by the governing body of the municipality, but shall not exceed ten cents on each \$100 of taxable valuation in the area of operation. The authority shall each year formulate and file a budget in accordance with the budget procedure of the municipality in the same manner as required of executive departments of the municipality or, if no budgets are required to be filed, on or before August first, and the amount of the tax levy for the following year shall be based on that budget and shall be approved by the governing body, but shall not after the first two years exceed five cents on each \$100 of taxable valuation in the area of operation.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.581, is amended to read:

462.581 Municipality, powers as to projects. For the purpose of aiding and cooperating in the planning, undertaking, construction, or operation of housing and redevelopment projects of housing authorities located within the area in which an authority is authorized to act, any *state public body* may upon such terms, with or without consideration, as it may determine:

(1) Dedicate, sell, convey, or lease any of its interests in any property, or grant easements, licenses, or any other rights or privileges therein, to an authority; provided that no *state public body* may use any revenues or money of that *state public body* to pay the bonds of or make any loans or contributions to any public housing project; except that,

(i) this proviso shall not apply to the proceeds of taxes for redevelopment projects levied pursuant to Section 462.545, subdivision 6.

(ii) a municipality is authorized to make an advance on account of the taxes for redevelopment purposes levied pursuant to section 462.545, subdivision 6, provided that any such advance shall be repaid out of the proceeds of the next tax levy;

(iii) this proviso shall not be applicable to any public low-rent housing project for which financial assistance is provided by the federal government or any agency or instrumentality thereof which requires a municipality or other local public body to use its revenues or money for a direct loan or grant to such project as a condition for federal financial assistance where such local financial assistance for such project is authorized by a vote of the people on a referendum on the question conducted in accordance with referendum requirements of section 462.465, subdivision 2.

(2) Cause parks, playgrounds, recreational, community, educational, water, sewer or drainage facilities, or any other works which it is otherwise empowered to undertake, to be furnished adjacent to or in connection with such projects;

(3) Approve (through its governing body or through an agency designated by it for the purpose) redevelopment plans, plan or replan, zone or rezone its parks; in the case of a city or town, make changes in its map; the governing body of any municipality may waive any building code requirements in connection with the development of projects;

(4) Cause services to be furnished to the authority of the character which it is otherwise empowered to furnish;

(5) Enter into agreements with respect to the exercise by it of its powers relating to the repair, closing, or demolition of unsafe, unsanitary, or unfit buildings;

(6) Do any and all things necessary or convenient to aid and cooperate in the planning, undertaking, construction, or operation of such projects;

(7) Incur the entire expense of any public improvements made by it in exercising the powers granted in sections 462.415 to 462.711; and

(8) Enter into agreements (which may extend over any period, notwithstanding any provision or rule of law to the contrary) with an authority respecting action to be taken by the *state public body* pursuant to any of the powers granted by sections 462.415 to 462.711.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.651, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

462.651 Partial tax exemption. Subdivision 1. **General taxes.** The governing body of a municipality in which any project of a redevelopment company is located may, by ordinance or resolution, exempt from all local taxes so much of the value of the property included in that project as represents an increase over the assessed valuation of the property, both land and improvements, acquired for the project at the time of its *original acquisition for redevelopment purposes*. Should such a governing body grant such a tax exemption, the project shall, to the extent of the municipal exemption and during the period thereof, be exempt from any and all state, county, and school district taxes. The tax exemption specified herein shall not operate for a period of more than twenty-five years, commencing in each instance from the date on which the benefits of such exemption first become available and ef-

fective. There shall be no exemption from payment of special assessments or from the payment of inspection, supervision, and auditing fees of the state housing commission or the authority.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.481, is amended to read as follows:

462.481 Discrimination prohibited, displaced families. There shall be no discrimination in the selection of tenants because of *race or* religious, political, or other affiliations, but if the number of qualified applicants for dwelling accommodations exceeds the dwelling units available, preference shall be given to inhabitants of the municipality in which the project is located, and to the families who occupied the dwellings eliminated by demolition, condemnation, and effective closing as part of the project, as far as is reasonably practicable without discrimination against families living in other substandard areas within the same municipality.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.525, is amended by adding a new subdivision at the end thereof as follows: j

Subd. 8. Discrimination forbidden. There shall be no discrimination in the use of any land in a redevelopment project because of race or religious, political, or other affiliations.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 462.641, is amended to read as follows:

462.641 Redevelopment projects, use. The project or projects of any redevelopment company shall be designed and used primarily for housing purposes, but portions of the project may be planned and used for business, commercial, cultural or recreational purposes appurtenant thereto as approved in the project. There shall be no discrimination in the use of projects, because of *race or* religious, political, or other affiliation.

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CHAPTER 566—S. F. No. 1312

[Not Coded]

An act relating to salaries of county officers in certain counties.

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