

cultural land and appraised as provided by law. Such land must be situated along a suitably maintained public road and near a public school or bus route and not in a restricted area established by the county board under a zoning ordinance. With his application he shall file a certified copy of his honorable discharge. Such application shall state the legal description of the land desired, the total acreage and the total acreage thereof which has been under cultivation; that the land is suitable for agricultural purposes and that he intends to develop it as such; that no additional public expenditures need be made for roads or schools by reason of the occupancy of such land; and that he is willing to pay therefor the appraised value of the land plus the appraised value of the improvements and standing timber thereon as determined by the county board, on such terms as may be fixed by the board subject to the conditions set forth in section 282.033.

Approved April 22, 1955.

CHAPTER 664—S. F. No. 868

[Coded in part]

An act establishing the Minnesota water resources board, and prescribing its duties and powers.

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

Section 1. [105.71] **Water Resources Board.** There is hereby established to serve as an agency of the state a board to be known as the Minnesota Water Resources Board to perform such functions and duties as shall be prescribed by law. The board shall be composed of three members who are conversant with water problems and conditions within the watersheds of this state and who are not officers or employees of the state, the federal government or any political subdivisions thereof, to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Such members shall first be appointed for the following terms: one for two years, one for four years, and one for six years, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for a term of six years.

The board shall keep a record of its official actions, and may perform such acts, hold such public hearings, and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the discharge of its duties and the exercise of its functions.

Subd. 2. The state board may employ such technical and professional personnel and such other agents and employees,

permanent or temporary, as it may require, and shall determine their qualifications, duties, and compensation. It shall have authority to prescribe the powers and duties of its officers and employees.

Upon request of the board for the purpose of carrying out any of its functions, the supervising officer of any state agency, or any state institution of learning, shall, in so far as it may be possible under available appropriations, and having due regard to the needs of the agency to which the request is directed, assign or detail to the state board from the staff or personnel of the agency or institution of learning, and make such special reports, surveys or studies as the state board may request.

Subd. 3. The board shall designate its chairman, and may annually from time to time change such designation.

A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority in any matter within their duties shall be required for a determination.

The members of the state board shall receive \$25 per day for each day while engaged in the discharge of their official duties, and shall be reimbursed for all expenses including traveling expenses necessarily incurred.

In connection with their duties as members of the board, the board shall provide for the keeping of a full and accurate record of all proceedings and of all resolutions, regulations, and orders issued or adopted.

The commissioner of administration shall provide and make available within the department of conservation suitable and adequate office facilities and space for the board. The public examiner shall annually audit the books of the board.

Sec. 2. **Appropriation.** There is hereby appropriated from the general revenue fund out of funds not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$7,500 to carry out the purposes of this act.

Approved April 25, 1955.

CHAPTER 665—S. F. No. 965

[Coded]

An act to provide for the coverage of certain officers and employees of the state and local governments under the old age and survivors insurance provisions of Title II of the Fed-