

## CHAPTER 765—H. F. No. 1530

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*An act providing for research on the hardwood timber species native to southern Minnesota, especially those yielding the more valuable woods and those most adapted for planting and intensive management in the agricultural regions of the state on lands which for reasons of soil and water conservation should not be under cultivation or pasturage.*

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

Section 1. [89.015] **Timber species in southern Minnesota, research initiated.** Research shall be initiated on such valuable southern Minnesota farm woodland species as basswood, red elm, rock elm, red and white oak, black walnut, butternut and green ash to develop means of increasing the contribution of the large acreage of farm woodlands to the agricultural economy. The research effort will be concentrated on such important problems as means of reproducing basswood, development of planting stock, selection of superior strains of these species, methods of field planting, management of existing stands, and methods of increasing the representation of these species in woodlands and forests in need of rehabilitation because of past damage from high-grading, burning, and grazing. The research shall be carried on by the University of Minnesota School of Forestry in cooperation with the Division of Forestry, Minnesota Department of Conservation, Lake States Forest Experiment Station, individual timber land owners, and others directly concerned with this problem.

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## CHAPTER 766—H. F. No. 1588

*An act relating to taxes on and measured by net income; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.26.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.26, is amended to read :

290.26 **Employees' trust, annuity plans.** Subdivision 1. **Income of certain trusts not taxed.** A trust *created or organized in the United States* and forming part of a stock bonus, pension, or profit-sharing plan of an employer for the exclusive benefit of his employees or their beneficiaries shall

not be taxable under section 290.22 and no other provisions of this act shall apply with respect to such trust or its beneficiary if such trust or beneficiary comes within the provisions of Sections 401 and 402 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as adapted to the provisions of this chapter under regulations issued by the commissioner of taxation.

**Subd. 2. Employer contributions.** Contributions of an employer to an employee's trust or annuity plan and compensation under a deferred-payment plan shall be allowed as a deduction in accordance with the provisions of Section 404 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as adapted to the provisions of this act under regulations issued by the commissioner of taxation.

**Subd. 3. Distributions.** Distributions received by a beneficiary from a trust or annuity plan of the kind described in subdivision 1 or 2 of this section shall be treated in accordance with the provisions of section 290.08 (3) and Sections 402 and 403 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as adapted to the provisions of this chapter by regulations issued by the commissioner of taxation.

**Subd. 4. Effective date.** The provisions of subdivisions 1, 2 and 3 of this section shall be applicable to the same taxable years as provided in Section 290.08 (3) as adapted to the provisions of this chapter by regulations issued by the commissioner of taxation.

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#### CHAPTER 767—H. F. No. 1589

*An act relating to taxes on and measured by net income; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.56.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.56, is amended to read:

**290.56 Books and records, testimony.** (A) For the purpose of determining the correctness of any return or of determining whether or not any person should have made a return or paid taxes hereunder, the commissioner shall have power to examine, or cause to be examined, any books, papers, records, or memoranda relevant to making such determinations, including the taxpayer's retained copy of his return of income to the United States Government for any year,