

**Sec. 2. Application.** This act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state wherein the validity of any such deed is being litigated or to any action which may be commenced within 60 days after the passage of this act wherein the validity of such deed is being questioned.

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CHAPTER 837—S. F. No. 1713

[Not Coded]

*An act creating a commission to study and report on the laws relating to conservation and appropriating money therefor.*

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

**Section 1. Legislative commission on conservation laws.** There is created a commission to be called the legislative commission on conservation laws. The commission shall consist of seven members of the senate to be appointed by the committee on committees and seven members of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker.

**Sec. 2. Duties.** The commission shall study and report on the various laws dealing with conservation, relating to game and fish, and concerning the operations and functions of the department of conservation. The commission shall make its findings and recommendations and prepare any necessary bills for introduction in the next legislature. It shall recommend means and methods of improving the operations and functions of the department of conservation and the laws relating to conservation.

**Sec. 3. Report.** Said legislative commission shall make its report to the governor and the sixty-first session of the legislature between November 15, 1958, and January 15, 1959.

**Sec. 4. Hearings.** For the accomplishment of its purpose and the performance of its duty the commission and its committees may hold hearings at such times and places as may be convenient for the purpose of receiving evidence, and the commission and its committees may issue subpoenas in the manner provided by its rules.

**Sec. 5. Expenses.** Members of the commission will

serve without pay but they shall be allowed and paid for their actual and necessary expense incurred by them in their performance of their duty. Reimbursement for expenses incurred shall be made pursuant to the rules governing state employees. The legislative research commission shall extend to it all practicable assistance. It shall have the authority to employ legal counsel, a secretary, and such other expert, professional, and clerical assistance as it may deem necessary to pay therefor; it may purchase stationery and other supplies, and it may do all things reasonably necessary and convenient to carry out the purpose of this act.

**Sec. 6. Appropriation.** There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay expenses incurred by the commission. For the payment of such expenses the commission shall draw its warrant upon the state treasurer, which warrants will be signed by the chairman or by such other or additional member of the commission as the rules of the commission may provide, and the state auditor shall then approve and the state treasurer pay such warrants as and when presented.

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#### CHAPTER 838—H. F. No. 174

*An act relating to the state highway patrol; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 161.03, Subdivision 23, as amended.*

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

**Section 1.** Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 161.03, Subdivision 23, as amended by Laws 1955, Chapters 593 and 667, is amended to read:

**Subd. 23. Salaries of patrolmen.** Commencing July 1, 1957, each such employee other than the *highway safety director*, chief supervisor, assistant supervisors and sergeants hereinafter designated shall be known as patrol officers, each of whom shall receive a basic salary of not less than \$355 per month and shall receive an annual raise of \$10 per month for each succeeding year of employment, such terms of employment to be computed from commencement of employment by such individual employee, except as provided herein for longevity the basic salary of no patrol officer shall exceed the sum of \$405 per month.