

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

Section 1. **Dakota county, competitive bidding.** In Dakota county no contract for work or labor, or for the purchase of furniture, fixtures, or other property, or for the construction or repair of roads, bridges, or buildings, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed \$2500, shall be made by the county board without first advertising for bids or proposals in some newspaper of the county. If, for the purchase of property or for work and labor, two weeks published notice that proposals will be received, stating the time and place, shall be given. If, for the construction or repair of roads, bridges, or buildings, three weeks published notice shall be given and 15 days posted notice in the town where the construction is to be done. The notice shall state the time and place of awarding the contract and contain a brief description of the work. Every such contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder and duly executed in writing, and the person to whom the same is awarded shall give a sufficient bond to the board for its faithful performance. If no satisfactory bid is received, the board may readvertise. Every contract made without compliance with the provisions of this section shall be void. In case of the destruction of roads or bridges by floods or other casualty, or of unforeseen injuries to machinery in or connected with public buildings, where the public interests would suffer by delay, contracts for repairs may be made without advertising for bids.

Sec. 2. Section 1 is effective upon its approval by a majority of the members of the board of county commissioners of Dakota county and upon compliance with Laws 1959, Chapter 368.

Approved March 24, 1961.

CHAPTER 162—S. F. No. 950

[Not Coded]

An act relating to tax levies in Nicollet county.

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

Section 1. **Nicollet county; tax levy; general revenue.** Notwithstanding any other limitation imposed by law, the board of county commissioners of Nicollet county may levy

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a tax not to exceed 15 mills on the dollar of taxable valuation of the county for general revenue purposes.

Sec. 2. This act takes effect when approved by a majority of the board of county commissioners of Nicollet county and upon compliance with Laws 1959, Chapter 368.

Approved March 24, 1961.

CHAPTER 163—H. F. No. 65

An act relating to wholesale produce dealers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 27.14; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 27.01, Subdivision 1; 27.02; 27.06; 27.07; 27.08; 27.13; 27.15; 27.19, as amended; and 27.20.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 27.01, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

27.01 Definitions. Subdivision 1. **Terms.** For the purposes of sections 27.02 to ~~27.19~~ 27.15 and 27.19 to 27.20 the terms defined in this section have the meanings ascribed given to them.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 27.02, is amended to read:

27.02 Wholesale produce dealers. For the purposes of sections 27.01 to ~~27.19~~ 27.15 and 27.19, any person who shall buy or sell or contract to buy or sell, or who shall handle in wholesale lots for the purpose of re-sale, or who shall handle on account of or as an agent for another, any produce, and any person who shall similarly engage in the business of assembling and trucking produce without an established place of business, shall be deemed a dealer at wholesale. Cooperative associations having not more than 40 per cent of non-member patrons shall not be deemed dealers at wholesale within the meaning of these sections. No person shall be deemed a dealer at wholesale within the meaning of these sections who purchases, and pays in cash, in full at the time of purchase, Minnesota seasonal grown products of the farm, orchard, vineyard, garden, and apiary for transportation to destinations outside of this state and who, within 72 hours thereafter, transports the same to its destina-

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