

law; ~~the~~ *The* commissioner is authorized to employ and designate a highway safety director, who shall supervise and coordinate the activities of the Minnesota highway patrol and the drivers license division and perform such other duties as the commissioner may prescribe. He shall have all the powers, duties and rights of a highway patrol member. His salary shall be \$950 per month.

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CHAPTER 449—S. F. No. 283

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An act relating to state parks; providing for the establishment of Big Stone Lake state park, Big Stone county, and for the acquisition of lands therefor; authorizing Big Stone county to provide funds therefor; appropriating money therefor.

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

Section 1. [85.183.] **Big Stone Lake state park.** [Subdivision 1.] **Acquisition of land.** For the purposes hereinafter specified the commissioner of conservation is authorized to acquire in the name of the state by purchase or gift or by condemnation under applicable laws the following described lands in the county of Big Stone, state of Minnesota, or so much thereof as he shall deem necessary and proper for such purposes:

The following described tracts in township 122 north, range 47 west:

That part of government lots 1 and 2 in section 10 lying south of the south line of the right of way of state trunk highway no. 7; those parts of sections 11 and 12 lying south of the south line of the right of way of said highway; all of section 14, except Gustafson's First Addition and Bayview Original Subdivision, according to the respective plats thereof on file and of record in the office of the register of deeds of said county; that part of section 13 lying southwest of the southwesterly line of the right of way of state trunk highway no. 7 except platted subdivisions of government lots 3 and 4;

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The following described tracts in township 123 north, range 48 west:

That part of government lot 1 in section 28 lying southwest of the southwesterly line of the right of way of state trunk highway no. 7; that part of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 33 lying southwest of the southwesterly line of the right of way of state trunk highway no. 7; all of government lot 1 and the north 400 feet of government lot 2 in section 33; all of government lots 4, 5, and 6 in section 6;

The following described tract in township 123 north, range 49 west:

All of section 1;

The following described tracts in township 124 north, range 49 west:

All of sections 23, 26, and 36;

The following described tracts in section 25, township 124 north, range 49 west:

The west 330 feet of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter; all of government lot 1; and all those parts of government lot 2 and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter lying southwesterly of the following described line: beginning at the south quarter corner of said section 25, the same being the southeast corner of government lot 2, thence northwesterly in a straight line to the northeast corner of government lot 1.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] **Authorized expenditure.** The expenditure of not exceeding a total of \$60,000 is authorized for the cost of said lands and the expenses of acquisition thereof. One half the cost of the lands acquired and expenses of acquisition thereof shall be paid by the state and one half thereof by the county of Big Stone.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] **Establishment of park; name.** Such lands, when acquired, shall be a state park, named Big Stone Lake State Park, under the supervision and control of the commissioner of conservation as provided by law for other state parks.

Sec. 4. [Subd. 4.] **County funds; tax levy.** To pro-

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vide funds for the county's share of the cost of said lands and expenses of acquisition thereof, the county board of said county is authorized to levy a tax at the rate of 3.5 mills on all the taxable property in said county, beginning with the year 1961 and continuing until the full amount required is provided, which levy shall be in addition to all other tax levies authorized for said county, and shall not be considered in determining any tax levy limit or debt limit to which said county is subject.

Sec. 5. [Subd. 5.] **Appropriations.** Subdivision 1. [a.] The proceeds of said tax levy, or so much thereof as may be necessary to meet said county's share of said cost and expenses, shall be paid to the state treasurer, kept and accounted for separately for said purposes, and are hereby appropriated to the commissioner of conservation for said purposes.

Subd. 2. [b.] There is hereby appropriated to the commissioner of conservation out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$30,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for payment of the state's share of said cost and expenses, to be available upon condition that an equal amount is made available for expenditure from time to time out of county funds as hereinbefore provided.

Subd. 3. [c.] This act, including appropriation provisions, is in effect upon final enactment, and all appropriations made available hereunder shall remain available until all lands required for the purposes hereof have been acquired, as determined by the commissioner of conservation.

Sec. 6. [Subd. 6.] **Conflicting acts superseded.** All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby superseded so far as necessary to give effect to the provisions hereof.

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CHAPTER 450—S. F. No. 289

An act relating to electric power plants principally devoted to the generation of power for the transportation or concentration of taconite, and the taxation thereof, and amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 298.25.

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