the day set for the hearing. Proof of the publication and posting of the notice shall be filed in the office of the county auditor on or before the day of the hearing.

- Subd. 3. Upon written application by the lessee to purchase all or any portion of the tax-forfeited lands described in this lease, the county board may appraise the lands and offer them for sale at a public sale as otherwise provided by law for the sale of tax-forfeited land. The lessee may purchase within 60 days of the day of the public sale the lands offered at public sale for the highest amount bid thereat for each parcel thereof but in no event for less than the appraised value thereof. If not so purchased by the lessee the county board shall withdraw any or all of such lands from sale while the lease is in effect.
- Subd. 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, lands leased under authority of this section shall not be subject to exchange under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 94.341 to 94.348.
- Sec. 2. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority vote of the county board of Lake county, and upon compliance with Laws 1959, Chapter 368.

Approved May 17, 1961.

EXTRA SESSION

CHAPTER 9—H. F. No. 72

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to soil conservation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 40.03, Subdivisions 1 and 3; and Section 40.05 by adding a subdivision.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 40.03, Subdivision 1 is amended to read:
- 40.03 Soil conservation committee. Subdivision 1. Members. There is hereby established, to serve as an agency of this state and to perform the functions conferred upon it in this chapter, the state soil conservation committee to be composed of nine members, four five of whom shall be bona fide farmers actually operating farms either as owners.

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operators, or tenants and selected as herein provided. Five Four members thereof shall be ex officio members composed of the following: the director of the agricultural extension service of the University of Minnesota; the dean of the department of agriculture of the University of Minnesota: the commissioner of conservation; the commissioner of agriculture, dairy, and food, and such person as may be appointed by the secretary of agriculture of the United States, or, in the event of his failure to appoint such person within 30 days after the receipt of a certified copy of this chapter, then the fifth member of the committee shall be appointed by the governor. The committee shall invite the State Conservationist of the United States Soil Conservation Service to serve as an advisory member. The other four five members of said committee shall be appointed by the governor from nominees recommended by the state association of soil conservation district supervisors submitted to the governor, and in the event of a failure to submit such nominees to the governor he shall make the necessary appointments from bona fide farmers actually operating farms, either as owners, operators or tenants. Such four members shall be first appointed for the following terms. One for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and one for four years, and thereafter their successors shall be appointed for a term of four years. The four members heretofore appointed shall serve for the balance of the terms for which they were appointed. The fifth member shall be appointed for a term of five years. Thereafter as vacancies occur all appointments shall be made for terms of five years. The committee 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 execution of its functions under this chapter.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 40.03, Subdivision 3 is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. Officers; quorum; bonds. The committee shall designate its chairman, and may annually, from time to time, change such designation. A member of the committee shall hold office so long as he shall retain the office by virtue of which he shall be serving on the committee. A majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum, and the concurrence of a majority in any matter within their duties shall be required for its determination. The ex officio members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their services on the committee, but shall be entitled to ex-

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penses, including traveling expenses, necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties on the committee. The other members of said committee shall receive \$15 \$20 per day for each day while engaged in the performance of their official duties and shall be reimbursed for all expenses, including traveling expenses necessarily incurred in connection with their duties as members of said committee. The committee shall provide for the execution of surety bonds for all employees and officers who shall be entrusted with funds or property; 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 public examiner shall annually audit the books of the committee.

- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 40.05 [40.04] is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- [40.04] Subd. 12. Formation of supervisor districts. The district governing body of any district, heretofore or hereafter organized, after two successive annual elections have been held may, with the approval of the state soil conservation committee, divide a district into five supervisor districts for election purposes and at each election thereafter one and only one supervisor shall be elected from each such district, provided that nothing herein will be construed to disqualify a supervisor during the term for which he was elected. Any vacancy occurring in any such district by failure to elect a supervisor or otherwise, shall be filled by a majority of the supervisors until the next annual town election.

A certified copy of the minutes or the resolution of the supervisors establishing districts as herein authorized shall be promptly filed by the chairman of the board of supervisors with the county auditor wherein the districts are located and with the state soil conservation committee.

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EXTRA SESSION CHAPTER 10—H. F. No. 107

[Coded]

An act permitting persons removing from one precinct in state to another within 30 days of election to vote; amending Laws 1959, Chapter 675, Article I, Section 2, Subdivision

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