

ipality may provide for the collection of unpaid special charges for all or any part of the cost of snow, ice, or rubbish removal from sidewalks, weed elimination from streets or private property, street sprinkling or other dust treatment of streets, the trimming and care of trees and the removal of unsound trees from any street, *the treatment and removal of insect infested or diseased trees on private property*, the repair of sidewalks, or the operation of a street lighting system, as a special assessment against the property benefited. The council may by ordinance adopt regulations consistent with this section to make this authority effective, including, at the option of the council, provisions for placing primary responsibility upon the property owner or occupant to do the work himself (except in the case of street sprinkling or other dust treatment, tree trimming, care, and removal or the operation of a street lighting system), for notice before the work is undertaken, and for collection from the property owner or other person served of the charges when due before unpaid charges are made a special assessment.

Approved May 4, 1965.

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CHAPTER 324—S. F. No. 447

*An act relating to firearms safety training; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 97.83, Subdivision 1; and Section 98.47, Subdivision 1.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 97.83, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**97.83 Firearms safety training; use of firearms in taking wild animals, when forbidden.** Subdivision 1. Except as hereinafter provided, it is unlawful for any person under the age of 16, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, to have in his possession or under his control any firearm or air gun of any kind for hunting or target practice or any other purpose. Any person between the ages of 14 to 16, who has a certificate herein provided for is hereby exempted. No certificate shall be issued to a person under 12 years of age. *A person aged 11 may take the course for the certificate and if successful may receive the certificate upon becoming age 12.* However, this section shall not apply to any person using firearms on land owned or occupied as a usual place of abode, by himself, parent or

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guardian. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 98.47, Subdivision 10 and ~~Minnesota Statutes, Section 615.10 Laws 1963, Chapter 753, Section 609.66~~ are not affected hereby, except that it is lawful for any person participating in the foregoing course of instruction to carry a properly encased and unloaded firearm to and from class and to handle the same during such instruction. Also, such person shall be allowed participation in organized target shooting programs conducted under qualified adult supervision. For the purposes of this subdivision the word "guardian" is defined as legal guardian or any other person over the age of 21 who has been selected by the parent or legal guardian to supervise the person under the age of 16 while he has in his possession or under his control any firearm or air gun of any kind for hunting or target practice or any other purpose.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 98.47, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**98.47 Exemptions.** Subdivision 1. Residents under the age of 16 years may take fish and trap fur bearing animals except beaver or otter without procuring a license. ~~Residents under the age of 12 years may take small game without a license.~~ Residents under the age of 16 years and over 12 may take small game ~~without a license~~ provided they have in their possession while hunting a valid firearm safety certificate ~~as herein provided.~~ *Residents under 14 and over 12 years must be accompanied by a parent or guardian while hunting. No hunting license shall be issued to any resident under the age of 16, except that such residents who possess a valid certificate may purchase a big game hunting license.* Nonresidents under the age of 16 years may take fish by angling without procuring a license, if their parent or legal guardian has obtained a nonresident fishing license. Fish so taken shall be included in the daily and possession limit of the parent or legal guardian. Any nonresident under the age of 16 years who is attending a camp adjacent to any public waters of the state conducted by a social, charitable, or welfare organization or institution, not for profit, may take fish by angling in such waters or other adjacent waters without procuring a license, provided the organization or institution conducting the camp shall have a certificate from the commissioner that the camp is qualified hereunder, describing the waters affected as determined by the commissioner, and each such nonresident shall carry with him at all times while taking or attempting to take fish by angling in such waters a certificate identifying him and describing the waters, in such form as the commissioner shall prescribe, signed and dated by the officer or agent of the organization or institution in charge of the camp within the current calendar year.

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Sec. 3. *Section 1 of this act is in effect upon final enactment. Section 2 of this act is in effect as of January 1, 1968.*

Approved May 4, 1965.

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CHAPTER 325—H. F. No. 908

*An act relating to elections; hours for voting, and counting of ballots; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 204.03, Subdivision 1.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 204.03, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**204.03 State elections; hours for voting.** Subdivision 1. **Opening and closing of polls.** At the general election and the primary election the polls in every precinct in the state shall open at 7:00 A.M., and they shall be kept open continuously until 8:00 P.M., at which time they shall close, except that the governing body of any municipality of less than 1,000 inhabitants, *situated entirely outside the metropolitan area as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 473.02, Subdivision 5*, by resolution adopted 30 days prior to any general or primary election, may fix a time for the opening of the polls which may not be earlier than 7:00 A.M. nor later than 9:00 A.M. The resolution shall be effective for all ensuing general or primary elections until revoked. *Under no circumstances shall the ballot boxes be opened and the ballots counted before closing of the polls.*

Approved May 4, 1965.

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CHAPTER 326—H. F. No. 1199

[Not Coded]

*An act providing for disposition of the net proceeds from the sale or rental of forfeited land or from the sale of any products therefrom in Itasca county.*

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

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