

Sec. 2. *The provisions of this act shall be effective and apply in all cases where death occurs on or after July 1, 1965.*

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CHAPTER 556—S. F. No. 2121

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the use of water from Birch Lake and the South Kawishiwi River in connection with the mining, production and beneficiation or concentration of copper, copper-nickel or nickel ores; limitations; permits, licenses, and leases authorized.

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

Section 1. Copper and nickel mining; use of state waters; Birch Lake and the South Kawishiwi River; limitations; permits, licenses, and leases authorized. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 110.13, any company or association engaged in or about to engage in the mining, production and beneficiation or concentration of copper, copper-nickel or nickel ores is authorized to use water from Birch Lake situated in township 61, range 13, township 60, range 12, and township 61, range 12, in St. Louis county and in township 61, range 11, and in township 62, range 11, in Lake county, and to use water from the South Kawishiwi river, a tributary of said lake, in connection with any such operations and, so far as may be necessary for such purposes, to flood or otherwise affect lands of the state adjacent to said lake and river, all subject to the conditions and restrictions that:

(1) A permit or permits for the use of such waters be first obtained from commissioner of conservation under Minnesota Statutes 1965, Chapter 105, so far as applicable, and under any other applicable laws;

(2) All water withdrawn from said lake and said river in connection with said operations except such as may be lost by evaporation or as is contained in the concentrates produced shall be returned to the drainage basin from which taken in conformity with the water quality standards for the affected water systems which shall have been established by the water pollution control commission or other properly constituted state pollution control agency having jurisdiction thereof;

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(3) A permit shall have first been obtained from the water pollution control commission under Minnesota Statutes 1965, Chapter 115, insofar as applicable and under other applicable laws for the construction, operation and maintenance of disposal systems in connection with such operations; and

(4) No lands owned by the state shall be flooded or otherwise affected thereby without permit, license, or lease for such purpose having first been obtained from the commissioner. The granting of such permits, licenses, and leases is hereby authorized.

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CHAPTER 557—S. F. No. 2122

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An act declaring the public interest in the mining, production and beneficiation of copper, copper-nickel and nickel; authorizing the issuance of permits, licenses, and leases to corporations engaged in or proposing to engage in the business of mining, producing or beneficiating copper, copper-nickel or nickel.

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

Section 1. **[93.43] Copper and nickel mining; permits, licenses, and leases.** The business of mining, producing or beneficiating copper, copper-nickel or nickel is declared to be in the public interest and necessary to the public welfare, and the use of property therefor is declared to be a public use and purpose. The commissioner of conservation is authorized to grant permits or licenses on and across lands owned by the state to any corporation or association engaged in the business of or preparing to engage in the business of mining, producing or beneficiating copper, copper-nickel or nickel for pipe lines, pole lines, conduits, sluiceways, roads, railroads, tramways or flowage, and to lease any lands owned by the state to any such corporation or association for the depositing of stripping, lean ores, tailings, or waste products of such business. The commissioner of conservation is also authorized to license the flooding of state lands in connection with any permit or authorization for the use of public waters issued by the legislature or by the commissioner pursuant to law. Such permits, licenses, and leases shall be upon such conditions and for such consideration and for such period of time as the commissioner may determine. The county auditor, with the approval of the county board, is authorized to grant permits,

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