

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

Section 1. **KANABEC COUNTY; GENERAL REVENUE TAX LEVY.** Notwithstanding the provisions and limitations of Minnesota Statutes, Section 275.09, or any other law to the contrary, the board of county commissioners of the county of Kanabec may levy annually a tax for general revenue purposes at such a rate as will produce not to exceed \$250,000.

Sec. 2. Before any increase in the levy authorized by section 1 is made, the governing body of the governmental subdivision named in section 1 shall hold a public hearing on the question. Notice of the time and place of said hearing shall be published in one or more legal newspapers of general circulation in the area once in each week for two successive weeks prior to said hearing. The published notice shall be in a form determined by the governing body, which form shall be sufficient in size and prominent in format in order to attract the attention of the reader. In any event the notice shall be of a size at least two columns in width by six inches in length. The notice shall set forth the percentage of increase over the existing levy and the number of mills or dollars increase proposed.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the governmental subdivision named in section 1, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 354—S.F.No.746

An act relating to game and fish; removing bears from the unprotected list; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 97.40, Subdivision 8; 98.46, Subdivisions 2 and 14; 100.26, Subdivision 1; and 100.27, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 348.073.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 97.40, Subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **GAME AND FISH; BEARS; HUNTING REGULATIONS.** "Big game" includes deer, moose, elk, bear, and caribou.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 98.46, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to residents only, shall be:

(1) To take small game, \$4;

(2) To take deer or bear, or both, with firearms during the period in which the licensee may take deer, \$7.50;

(3) To take deer or bear, or both, with bow and arrow during the period in which the licensee may take deer, \$7.50;

(4) To take fish by angling, \$4;

(5) Combination husband and wife, to take fish by angling, \$6;

(6) To take moose, \$50-;

(7) To take bear only, \$5.00.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 98.46, Subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to non-residents, shall be:

(1) To take small game and unprotected quadrupeds with firearms and bow and arrows, \$25;

(2) To take deer or bear, or both during the period in which the licensee may take deer, and unprotected quadrupeds with firearms and bow and arrows, \$50.25;

(3) To take deer or bear, or both during the period in which the licensee may take deer, and unprotected quadrupeds with a bow and arrows only, \$10.25;

(4) To take moose in the Northwest Angle, \$50.25-;

(5) To take bear only, \$25.25.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 100.26, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

100.26 UNPROTECTED ANIMALS. Subdivision 1. Weasel, wild cat, lynx, wolves, foxes, ~~bears~~, gophers, porcupines, badgers, and all other quadrupeds for which no closed season or other protection is accorded by chapters 97 to 102, are unprotected animals and may be taken either in the daytime or at night, and in any manner, except with the aid of artificial lights, and possessed, bought, sold or

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transported in any quantity, provided that for the safety of humans and domestic stock, poison may not be used in the taking thereof, except in the manner authorized by Minnesota Statutes 1961, Sections 18.021 to 18.035, and acts amendatory thereof, ~~and steel traps may not be used in the taking of bear, except when and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner. The taking of bear may be prohibited by order of the commissioner in such areas of the state and during such periods as he may deem necessary.~~ Raccoon are unprotected animals on May 21, 1965, and all of the provisions of this subdivision are applicable to such animals except that they may be taken with the aid of artificial lights in the manner provided by law under section 100.29, subdivision 10. It shall be unlawful to intentionally drive, chase, run over or kill with any motor propelled vehicle any unprotected animals. The taking of any species of bear may be permitted by order of the commissioner without a license therefor in such areas of the state and during such periods as he may deem necessary, upon a determination that the predation of bear represents a threat to livestock or other property.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 100.27, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. . Bear may be taken in such areas of the state, under such restrictions, and on such dates as the commissioner may, by order, provide. Nothing in this subdivision shall prevent a person from taking a bear to protect his property. Such taking shall be reported to a conservation officer within 48 hours. Bear so taken may thereafter be disposed of in the same manner as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 97.50, Subdivision 5, for the disposition of wild animals unlawfully taken.

Sec. 6. **REPEALER.** Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 348.073, is repealed.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 355—S.F.No.824

[Not Coded]

An act relating to lakes; permitting the creation of a lake conservation district for White Bear Lake; establishing powers and duties of such district.

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

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