

Law 90-542 and Public Law 92-560, the commissioner of natural resources may promulgate rules and regulations, in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 15, which limit or prohibit the operation or use of motorboats on that part of the St. Croix river north of the mouth of the Snake river, located in Section 31, Township 39 North, Range 19 West.

Subd. 3. REGULATIONS BELOW THE MOUTH OF THE SNAKE RIVER. After October 1, 1974, if the commissioner of natural resources has not established regulations relating to the use of watercraft on that part of the St. Croix river south of the mouth of the Snake river but north of the nine foot navigational channel at mile 24.5, measured from the mouth of the St. Croix river, pursuant to the request of a local governmental unit in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes, Section 361.26, he may establish such regulations pursuant to section 361.26 notwithstanding the absence of a request from a local governmental unit and notwithstanding the absence of approval of the regulations by a majority of the counties affected.

Subd. 4. CONCURRENT REGULATIONS REQUIRED. Rules and regulations promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to this act are effective upon adoption of laws, rules, or regulations providing for similar limitations or prohibitions on the operation and use of motorboats on the same reach of St. Croix river by the state of Wisconsin or its agencies. In exercising the authority granted by this section the commissioner may enter into necessary agreements with either the United States and its agencies, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 84.025, or the state of Wisconsin and its agencies.

Subd. 5. PENALTY. A person violating any of the provisions of this section or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the commissioner is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This act is effective upon final enactment.

Approved May 23, 1973.

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## CHAPTER 558—S.F.No.926

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*An act establishing the Minnesota environmental education council; and describing the powers and duties thereof.*

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

Section 1. **[116E.01] MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL; POLICY.** It is the policy of the state of Minnesota to encourage development of life values and a style of living which fosters the constructive use, rather than exploitation of natural resources and the environment, and to promote coordination among various groups and institutions developing and distributing environmental education materials, including but not limited to formal and nonformal education, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten through grade twelve, post-secondary, vocational, college and adult education. It is in the public interest that there be established a state environmental education council and hereinafter described regional environmental education councils.

Sec. 2. **[116E.02] ESTABLISHMENT.** Subdivision 1. **MEMBERSHIP; TERMS.** A state environmental education council, designated as the Minnesota environmental education council, is hereby created. Regional environmental education councils, subordinate to the Minnesota environmental education council and designated as regional environmental education councils are hereby created to represent the regions of the state designated by the governor pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 462.385. The state council shall consist of 13 members to be appointed by the governor, and one member from each of the regional councils. Each regional council shall elect one member to serve on the state council. Regional councils shall consist of 12 members, appointed by the governor, with at least one person representing each of the following groups: (a) public school systems having grade levels kindergarten through 12, inclusive; (b) post-secondary educational institutions; (c) regional economic development commissions, where established; (d) voluntary organizations; (e) business and industry; (f) labor organizations; and (g) governmental units. The terms of the members of the state council and the members of the regional councils shall begin on July 1 and shall extend for a two year term and until his successor is duly appointed or elected, as the case may be, and qualifies. A vacancy in the office of a member of the state council or any regional council shall be filled by the governor, for the unexpired term.

Subd. 2. **FIRST COUNCIL.** The first state environmental education council shall consist of (a) the following members to be appointed by the governor: (i) seven members whose term shall expire on July 1, 1975; (ii) six members whose term shall expire on July 1, 1976; and (b) the following members to be elected, one from each of the regional councils: (i) one member from each of six regional councils whose term shall expire July 1, 1975, and (ii) one member from each of six regional councils whose term shall expire on July 1, 1976. In the event that any regional council is

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unorganized, the governor may appoint one person from such unorganized region to serve on the state council.

**Subd. 3. QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS.** The membership of the state council and regional councils shall be broadly representative of the skills and experience necessary to effectuate the policies of this act.

**Subd. 4. OFFICERS AND COMPENSATION.** The state council and each regional council shall select a chairman and such other officers as they deem necessary. Members of the state council and the regional councils shall serve without compensation, but each member of the state council and the regional councils may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his duties.

**Sec. 3. [116E.03] POWERS AND DUTIES.** Subdivision 1. **GENERALLY.** The Minnesota environmental education council shall operate under the general supervision of the Minnesota environmental quality council. The environmental education council shall submit its budget to the environmental quality control council each year for review and approval. Twice each year the state environmental education council shall report to the environmental quality council on the status of its programs and operations. In addition to any powers or duties otherwise prescribed by law and without limiting the same, the state environmental education council shall have the powers and duties hereinafter specified.

**Subd. 2. PLANNING.** The state council shall prepare and from time to time revise a plan for environmental education within the state or part thereof.

**Subd. 3. ADVISE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR.** The state council shall advise the legislature and the governor concerning the status of environmental education in the state and give its recommendations concerning the subject.

**Subd. 4. RELATING TO REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCILS.** The state council shall coordinate the activities of the regional environmental education councils and shall adopt rules and regulations relating to the activities of regional councils to assure that such activities are consistent with the state council's plan for environmental education throughout the state.

**Subd. 5. STUDIES AND REPORTS.** The state council may prepare studies and reports on the subject of environmental education as necessary to fulfill its responsibilities under this act.

**Subd. 6. DELEGATION TO REGIONAL COUNCILS.** The state council may, pursuant to a written agreement with a regional council, delegate its authority as provided herein to any regional council created and organized under authority of this act.

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**Subd. 7. EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF.** The state council and the regional councils may employ such administrative and clerical staff as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the state council and regional councils as described in this act, including, but not limited to, an executive director to represent and manage the affairs of the state council, and/or regional councils, as the case may be. In addition, the state council and regional councils may employ and fix the compensation of such experts and consultants as may be necessary to carry out their functions under this act. All employees shall be in the unclassified service.

**Subd. 8. CONTRACTS.** The chief administrative officer of the state council may contract with persons, firms, corporations, organizations, units of government or institutions of higher learning for doing any of the work of his office, and none of the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 16, relating to bids, shall apply to such contracts. The regional councils may contract with the regional development commissions designated by the governor pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 462.385, to accomplish the purposes of this act. All personnel employed and all contracts entered into pursuant to this subdivision shall be subject to the approval of the state council. Agreements to exercise delegated powers shall be by written order filed with the secretary of state.

**Subd. 9. PRIVATE GRANT AND FEDERAL FUNDS.** The chief administrative officer of the state council is the state agent to apply for, receive, and disburse private grant and federal funds made available to the state by private organizations or federal law or rules and regulations promulgated thereunder for any purpose related to the powers and duties of the state council or the regional councils. He shall comply with any and all requirements of such private organizations or federal law or such rules and regulations promulgated thereunder to enable him to apply for, receive, and disburse such funds. All such moneys received by the chief administrative officer of the state council shall be deposited in the state treasury and are hereby annually appropriated to him for the purposes for which they are received. None of such moneys in the state treasury shall cancel and they shall be available for expenditure in accordance with the requirements of federal law or the terms of such private grants. No application for federal funds or private grants under this subdivision shall be submitted to federal authorities or private organizations for approval unless the proposed budget for the expenditure of such funds is approved by the governor and reported to the legislative committees designated in Minnesota Statutes, Section 16.165 and, when the legislature is not in session, reported to the standing committee on finance of the senate and the standing committee on appropriations of the house of representatives.

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Sec. 4. **[116E.04] COOPERATION.** Subdivision 1. All state departments and agencies are hereby directed to cooperate with the state council and the regional councils and assist them in the performance of their duties; and the state council and regional councils shall cooperate with other departments and agencies of the state, with regional economic development commissions, with municipalities, with other states, with the federal government and its agencies and instrumentalities, in the public interest and in order to coordinate environmental education in the state.

Subd. 2. Upon the request of the state council or a regional council, the governor may, by order, require any department or agency of the state to furnish such assistance to the state council or any regional council as may be necessary to carry out their functions under this act. The governor may, in his order, direct all or part of the cost or expense of such assistance to be paid from the state council fund or appropriation in such amount as he may deem just and proper.

Sec. 5. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act is effective upon final enactment.

Approved May 23, 1973.

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## CHAPTER 559—S.F.No.938

*An act relating to zoning; providing notice and procedures for amending ordinances in cities of the first class; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 462.357, Subdivisions 3 and 5.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 462.357, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **CITIES OF FIRST CLASS; ZONING; AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCES; PUBLIC HEARINGS.** No zoning ordinance or amendment thereto shall be adopted until a public hearing has been held thereon by the planning agency or by the governing body. A notice of the time, place and purpose of the hearing shall be published in the official newspaper of the municipality at least ten days prior to the day of the hearing. When an amendment involves changes in district boundaries affecting an area of five acres or less, a similar notice shall be mailed at least ten days

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