opening of the next session of the congress or of the legislature, or at the reconvening of a session of the congress or of the legislature, so that candidates for the special election may be nominated as provided in section 203.46.

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## CHAPTER 265—H.F.No.3422 [Coded in Part]

An act relating to the establishment of a new route to the Minnesota trunk highway system to serve the Minnesota zoological garden in Dakota county, Minnesota; appropriating money therefor, establishing deadlines for construction thereof.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

- Section 1. TRUNK HIGHWAY SYSTEM; ESTABLISHMENT OF ROUTE NO. 279; POLICY, PURPOSE. Subdivision 1. POLICY. The legislature has found and determined by the establishment of a zoological garden, that the metropolitan area and the state of Minnesota will benefit from this unique facility to be located in Apple Valley, Minnesota. The legislature has further determined that this facility will be unique in the United States and tailor-made to reflect Minnesota animal life at its best, as well as animal life around the world. Its location in a 1,500 acre green space complex of Dakota county parks and other facilities will afford up to 30,000 persons per day a full range of outdoor enjoyment surrounded by educational benefits for all ages.
- Subd. 2. **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this act is to provide for the extension of a route on the Minnesota trunk highway system to serve the Minnesota zoological garden, and to appropriate from the trunk highway funds the necessary revenue to plan, design and construct the new trunk highway.
- Sec. 2. There is hereby added to the trunk highway system a new route described as follows:
- [161.115] Route No. 279. Beginning at a point in Dakota county southwesterly of Fort Snelling in the proximity of the state zoological garden entrance, thence westerly to Dakota county road 23, thence extending in a general northerly direction across the Minnesota river to a point on Route No. 114 in Minneapolis.
- Sec. 3. The route established in section 2 is a substitute for Route No. 279 as contained and described in Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 161.115, and said route as so contained and described in said section is discontinued and removed from the trunk highway system.

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- Sec. 4. Necessary funds for carrying out the purpose of this act are hereby appropriated from the Minnesota trunk highway fund. Because of the anticipated July, 1977 opening of the Minnesota zoological garden, such work as described as the purpose of this act shall be completed by July of 1977, or such portions of said new route shall be completed if possible so as to properly meet the needs of the Minnesota zoological board.
- Sec. 5. The revisor of statutes, in compiling the Minnesota Statutes, shall substitute the route established in section 2 for the route discontinued and removed from the trunk highway system in section 3.

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## CHAPTER 266—S.F.No.423

An act relating to St. Louis county; revising the composition of the county welfare board; amending Laws 1907, Chapter 222, Section 1, Subdivisions 1, 2 and 3, as amended; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 393.01, Subdivision 5.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Laws 1907, Chapter 222, Section 1, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1945, Chapter 110, Section 1, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. ST. LOUIS COUNTY; WELFARE BOARD. In counties having a population of over 75,000, and an area of over 5,000 square miles, The county welfare board of St. Louis county shall consist of five seven members.

- Sec. 2. Laws 1907, Chapter 222, Section 1, Subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1945, Chapter 110, Section 1, Subdivision 2; and Laws 1949, Chapter 97, Section 1, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. Three-Four members shall be appointed by the board of county commissioners of such county, whose terms on the county welfare board shall coincide with their terms as county commissioners. The successor to the member whose term expires on the first Monday in January, 1944, shall be appointed for a term of six years. The term of the member whose term would otherwise expire on the first Monday of January, 1945, shall be extended until the first Monday in January, 1946, at which time his successor shall be appointed for a period of six years. The term of the member whose term would otherwise expire on the first Monday in January, 1946, shall be extended to the first Monday of January, 1948, at which time his successor shall be appointed for a term of six years. Thereafter members shall be appointed for a term of six years beginning on the first Monday in January of

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