Section 1. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 525.10, is amended to read:

525.10 PROBATE COURT: HENNEPIN AND RAMSEY COUN-TIES; REFEREE; APPOINTMENT; BOND. The judge-judges of the probate court of any county in this state now or hereafter having more than 350,000 inhabitants-in Hennepin and Ramsey counties may appoint one referee-or more referees in probate who shall be a resident of such county and an attorney at law duly admitted in this state. He shall hold office during the pleasure of the judge appointing him. Such appointment shall be in writing and filed in such court. Before entering upon the duties of his office, he shall execute a bond to the state in the amount of \$1,000 approved by the county board and conditioned upon the faithful discharge of his duties. Such bond with the oath of the appointee shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds. The premiums on such bond and the expenses of such recording and filing shall be paid by the county. An action may be maintained on such bond by any person aggrieved by the violation of the conditions thereof.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 526.18, is amended to read:

526.18 SALARIES OF JUDGES OF PROBATE IN HENNEPIN AND RAMSEY COUNTIES. The compensation of the judges of the probate court in all-Hennepin and Ramsey counties of this state now or hereafter having a population of 250,000 or more shall be equal to the compensation now or hereafter paid to judges of the district court in such counties, which salary shall be paid in equal monthly instalments out of the county treasury of such counties upon warrants of the county auditor out of any funds of the county not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 526.19, is repealed.

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CHAPTER 388—S.F.No.2590 [Not Coded]

An act relating to Anoka county; authorizing the acquisition, development, and construction of nature centers; the operation thereof; and the issuance of bonds therefor.

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

Section 1. ANOKA COUNTY; NATURE CENTERS; CONSTRUCTION; BOND ISSUE. In addition to any other authority granted by law

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Anoka county may acquire, develop, and construct nature centers in order to provide additional recreational facilities and to promote education and research in the environmental fields; and issue and sell its general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$1,000,000 for such purposes. The nature centers shall be operated by the county or in its behalf by nonprofit or public corporations upon mutually agreeable terms.

- Sec. 2. Bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be issued and sold in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, except that approval of the electors on the question is required. The county shall levy a tax, without limit as to rate or amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds as they become due.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval by the board of commissioners of Anoka county and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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CHAPTER 389—S.F.No.2641 [Coded]

An act relating to motor vehicles, use of certain equipment thereon; authorizing the use of certain equipment on motor vehicles of nonresidents of this state under certain conditions; amending Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 169.72, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Section 169.72, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. MOTOR VEHICLES; STUDDED OR WIRE EMBEDDED TIRES; NONRESIDENTS. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision 1, a person, operating a motor vehicle properly licensed and registered in another state or province of a foreign country which authorizes the use of tires with metal studs or wire embedded tires on its highways, may operate the motor vehicle with tires having metal type studs or with tires having wire embedded therein on the highways of this state while occasionally within the state, and such use while occasionally within the state is not unlawful; provided that, the metal type studs shall not exceed 5/16 of an inch in diameter inclusive of the stud casing with an average protrusion beyond the tread surface of not more than 7/64 of an inch, and the number of studs in a tire shall not exceed two percent of the total net contact area. Use of a vehicle in this state on more than 30 days in any consecutive six-month period is not occasionally. Except, a person whose regular place of employment

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