

state-owned land now under the control of but no longer needed for the operation of Vermillion Community College, which tract is described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-six (26) Township Sixty-three (63) north, Range Twelve (12) west of the Fourth Principal Meridian, thence west along the south line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of thirty-three (33) feet, thence north parallel to the east line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of sixty-seven (67) feet to the point of beginning of the tract to be conveyed; thence west parallel to the south line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of one hundred sixty (160) feet; thence north parallel to the east line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet; thence east parallel to the south line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of one hundred sixty (160) feet; thence south parallel to the east line of the said southwest quarter of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4 SW 1/4) a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet to the point of beginning, comprising .92 acres, more or less, except minerals and mineral reservations as reserved by prior grantors.

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#### CHAPTER 120—H.F.No.192

*An act relating to retirement; providing pension coverage for certain firefighters in the city of Cottage Grove in the public employees police and fire fund; authorizing a purchase of prior service; specifying that the employer is a political subdivision for purposes of certain employment benefit programs.*

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

Section 1. **COTTAGE GROVE FIREFIGHTERS; PENSION AND RETIREMENT COVERAGE.** Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, from and after the effective date of this act, any person employed as an active full-time firefighter by Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, a nonprofit firefighting corporation organized pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 317 and located in and providing firefighting services for the city of Cottage Grove, shall be considered a firefighter for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 353 if the person otherwise meets the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Section 353.64 and shall be a member of the public employees police and fire fund established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 353.63 to 353.68. In addition, Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated shall be deemed to be a governmental subdivision for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, Section 353.01, Subdivision 6, shall make the employer contribution required pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 353.65, Subdivision 3, with respect to each firefighter covered by the public employees police and fire fund and shall meet the employers recording and reporting requirements set forth in Minnesota Statutes, Section 353.65, Subdivision 4.

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**Sec. 2. PURCHASE OF PRIOR SERVICE IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES POLICE AND FIRE FUND.** Any person who becomes a member of the public employees police and fire fund pursuant to section 1 may purchase prior service credit in the fund for service prior to the effective date of this act as a full-time firefighter with Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, but not to exceed five years. To purchase the prior service credit, the person shall make a payment in an amount equal to all employee and employer contributions at the rates in effect on salaries paid when the service was rendered plus compound interest at the rate of six percent per annum from the year of purchase to the date payment is made. At its discretion, Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated may make the payment representing the employer contributions plus compound interest at the applicable rate. Payment may be made in installments as arranged with the executive director of the public employees retirement association, but shall, in any event, be completed no later than ten years following the effective date of this act. Any prior service credit purchased shall be allowable service credit within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, Section 353.01, Subdivision 16. Allowable service shall be credited to the person's account only upon receipt of the payment by the executive director of the public employees retirement association.

**Sec. 3. APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.** From and after the effective date of this act, Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated shall be deemed to be a political subdivision for purposes of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 176.181, 176.531 and 268.06, Subdivision 25. With respect to any claims for benefits provided under Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 176 or 268, nothing contained in this act shall be construed as modifying or affecting the liability of an insurance carrier for the payment of workers' compensation or unemployment compensation claims under any contract entered into with or policy issued to the Thompson Grove Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated prior to the effective date of this act.

**Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This act shall be effective upon approval by the Cottage Grove city council and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 21, 1979.

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**CHAPTER 121—H.F.No.219**

*An act relating to electricians; establishing an additional class of installers license; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 326.01, Subdivision 6b; and 326.242, Subdivision 3.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 326.01, Subdivision 6b, is amended to read:

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