

shall remain subject to the lease for not to exceed one year from the beginning of the term of the lease. Any rent paid by the lessee for the portion of the term cut off by such cancellation shall be refunded from the forfeited tax sale fund upon the claim of the lessee, to be audited and allowed by the county board as in case of other claims against the county. The county auditor, with the approval of the county board is authorized to grant permits, licenses, and leases to tax-forfeited lands for the depositing of stripping, lean ores, tailings, or waste products from mines or ore milling plants, upon such conditions and for such consideration and for such period of time, not exceeding 15 years, as the county board may determine; said permits, licenses, or leases to be subject to approval by the commissioner of natural resources. Any person who removes any timber from tax-forfeited land before said timber has been scaled and fully paid for as provided in this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor. The county auditor may, with the approval of the county board and the commissioner of natural resources, and without first offering at public sale, grant leases, for a term not exceeding 25 years, for the removal of peat from tax-forfeited lands upon such terms and conditions as the county board may prescribe.

Provided, however, that no lease for the removal of peat shall be made by the county auditor pursuant to this section without first holding a public hearing on his intention to lease. One printed notice in a legal newspaper in the county at least ten days before the hearing, and posted notice in the courthouse at least 20 days before the hearing shall be given of the hearing.

Approved May 10, 1979.

CHAPTER 79—S.F.No.668

An act relating to Blue Earth, Redwood, Kandiyohi, and Renville Counties; authorizing the counties to enter into various agreements for acquisition of property; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 38, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1973, Chapter 38, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, Blue Earth ~~county~~, Redwood, Kandiyohi, and Renville Counties may enter into rental purchase agreements ~~or~~, conditional sales agreements or installment purchase agreements for the acquisition of ~~real equipment~~ personal property, provided that under such agreements the seller is limited to the remedy of recovery of the property in case of nonpayment of all or part of the purchase price. ~~The purchase price shall be payable over a period not to exceed five years.~~

Sec. 2. This act is effective for each county named in section 1 upon its approval by the board of county commissioners of the county and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 10, 1979.
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