

county assessor, the county auditor shall calculate the changes of the assessment lists determined by the county board of equalization, and make corrections accordingly, in the real or personal lists, or both, and shall make duplicate abstracts of the same; one shall be filed in his office, and one shall be forwarded to the commissioner of taxation on or before the fourth Monday of August. In other counties such changes and abstracts shall be made by the county assessors.

Approved February 28, 1955.

CHAPTER 72—H. F. No. 276

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An act authorizing official seals for members of the Legislature.

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

Section 1. [358.028] **Legislators, official seals.** Every member of the legislature, so long as he remains in office and continues to reside in the district from which he was elected, may furnish himself with an official seal, in the form provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 358.03, with which he may authenticate his official acts provided for in Minnesota Statutes, Section 358.15.

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CHAPTER 73—S. F. No. 398

An act relating to the preservation of the records of coroners; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 390.17.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 390.17, is amended to read:

390.17 **Testimony; filing; inquest not necessary, certificate.** The testimony of all witnesses examined before the coroner's jury shall be reduced to writing by the coroner or under his direction and be subscribed by the witnesses respectively. The coroner shall forthwith file such testimony, together with a record of all proceedings had before him, in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county. In all cases

brought to the attention of the coroner wherein he does not deem it necessary to hold an inquest, he shall *forthwith* file with such clerk a certificate setting forth the facts in relation thereto. For the taking of such testimony the coroner shall be allowed 15 cents a folio and 25 cents for such certificate. The clerk of the district court shall *forthwith* duly file *and* index such case or proceeding.

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CHAPTER 74—H. F. No. 624

An act relating to economic poison; amending the definition of economic poison to include weeds and to the powers of the commissioner of agriculture, dairy and food in relation thereto; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 24.02, Subdivision 6, Section 24.074 and Section 24.077.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 24.02, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Economic poison.** The term "economic poison" shall include any substance or mixture of substances intended for use in preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any and all insects, rodents, fungi (including bacteria), *weeds*, and other forms of plant or animal life which the Commissioner of Agriculture, Dairy and Food shall declare to be a pest.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 24.02, is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

The term "Herbicide" shall include any substance or mixture of substances intended for use to prevent, destroy, repel or mitigate weeds or other forms of plant life which the commissioner shall declare to be a pest.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 24.074 is amended to read:

24.074 Rules. For the purposes aforesaid, it shall also be the duty of the commissioner to make and publish uniform rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, for carrying out and enforcing the provisions of Laws 1945, Chapter 427, *as amended*, which rules and regulations shall be *promulgated in accordance with section 15.042*. Any person who shall manufacture, use, sell, transport, offer for use, sale or