LICENSES. Any county or municipality may request the commissioner of revenue to certify whether or not an applicant for a license to be issued pursuant to section 340.01 or 340.13 is liable for any state or local taxes or assessments which were not paid when they became due. Upon a request from a county or municipality the commissioner shall certify to the county or municipality the information requested, but shall not certify that the license applicant is liable for any unpaid state or local taxes or assessments if an administrative or court action which questions the amount or validity of the unpaid taxes or assessments has been commenced, or if the appeal period to contest the taxes or assessments has not yet expired.

Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE, This act is effective July 1, 1978.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 622-H.F.No.1821

Not Coded

An act relating to the city of Brainerd; firefighters' service pensions; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 170, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1973, Chapter 170, Section 1, is amended to read:

- Section 1. BRAINERD, CITY OF; FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary of Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.06, the fire department relief association of the city of Brainerd shall provide in its certificate of incorporation or bylaws, for a service pension in an amount not exceeding \$600 \$800 per year of service to be paid in a lump sum where the retiring member qualifies for a service pension under the provisions of said section 69.06.
- Sec. 2. This act is effective upon approval by the Brainerd city council and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 623-H.F.No.1822

[Coded]

An act relating to eminent domain; requiring that prepayment penalties be treated as a separate item of damages; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 117, by adding a section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 117, is amended by adding a section to read:

[117.087] PREPAYMENT PENALTIES; DAMAGES. When property is taken pursuant to chapter 117 and it is security for a loan or advance of credit with a provision requiring or permitting the imposition of a penalty if the loan or advance of credit is prepaid, the cost of the penalty is an item of damages which shall be separately stated.

When property is purchased by a body having the right of eminent domain the buyer shall inquire whether it is security for a loan or advance of credit with a provision requiring or permitting the imposition of a penalty if the loan or advance of credit is prepaid and, if so, the penalty shall be an item considered by the parties in the negotiation of the price.

Approved March 28, 1978.

CHAPTER 624-H.F.No.1851

An act relating to county libraries; authorizing increased membership on county library boards; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 375.33, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 375.33, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. LIBRARY BOARD. If no free public library in the county is available for use as a central library of the county system, the county board shall appoint a library board of at least five directors. The term of office of these directors is three years, and each director shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualifies. Of the directors first appointed, two shall hold office for three years, two for two years, and one for one year from the third Saturday of July following their appointment, as specified by the county board; and thereafter the directors shall be appointed for a term of three years. If more than five directors are appointed, terms shall be staggered as nearly as possible so no more than one-third of the membership terms expire each year. This board of directors shall have the powers and duties of a board of directors of any free public library in a city and shall be governed by the provisions of sections 134.09, 134.11 to 134.15.

Approved March 28, 1978.

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