

CHAPTER 27—S. F. No. 6

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 8080-1 and 8080-10, relating to the possession, management and disposition of property within the state of persons who abscond or disappear in certain cases.

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

Section 1. **Possession, management and disposition of certain property.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 8080-1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"8080-1. If a person entitled to or having an interest in property within the jurisdiction of the state has disappeared or absconded from the place within or without the state where he was last known to be, and has no agent in the state, and it is not known where he is, or if such persons, having a *spouse* or minor child or *children*, dependent to any extent upon him for support, has thus disappeared or absconded without making sufficient provision for such support, and it is not known where he is, or, if it is known that he is without the state, any one who would under the law of the state be entitled to administer upon the estate of such absentee if he were deceased, or if no one is known to be so entitled, some person deemed suitable by the court, or such *spouse*, or some one in such *spouse or minors'* behalf, may file a petition under oath in the district court for the county where any such property is situated or found, stating the name, age, occupation and last known residence or address of such absentee, the date and circumstances of the disappearance or absconding, and the names and residence of other persons, whether members of such absentee's family or otherwise, of whom inquiry may be made, whether or not such absentee is a citizen of the United States and if not, of what country he is a citizen or native and containing a schedule of the property, real and personal, so far as known, and its location within the state, and praying that such property may be taken possession of and a receiver thereof appointed under this chapter. Provided that no proceedings shall be commenced under the provisions of this act, until at least 3 months after the date on which it is alleged in such petition that such person so disappeared or absconded."

Sec. 2. That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 8080-10, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"8080-10. The court may order said property or its proceeds acquired by mortgages, lease or sale to be applied in payment of charges incurred or that may be incurred in the support and maintenance of the absentee's *spouse* and minor *child or children*, and to the

discharge of such debts and claims for alimony as may be proved against said absentee."

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 13, 1937.

CHAPTER 28—S. F. No. 653.

An act relating to the registration of motor vehicles and the payment of motor vehicle taxes for the year 1937.

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

Section 1. **Extension of time for payment of motor vehicle tax.**—In the year 1937 application for the registration of motor vehicles and payment of the tax thereon may be made on or before March 15. Any motor vehicle for the registration of which application is so made and on which the tax is paid prior to said date shall be deemed to be registered subject to the cancellation, amending or approval of the registration by the registrar, and during the months of January, February and March, 1937, such motor vehicle may be used upon the public streets and highways prior to the issuance for it of the number plates for 1937, provided the number plates duly issued for that vehicle and to the same owner for the year 1936 shall be duly displayed.

Sec. 2. This Act shall be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 16, 1937.

CHAPTER 29—H. F. No. 22.

An act authorizing the destruction of ballots and election returns.

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

Section 1. **Ballots and election returns to be destroyed in certain cases.**—That the clerk or recorder of any city, village or borough in this state is hereby authorized, with the consent and approval of the governing body of such municipality, to destroy all ballots and election returns, except the abstract of the canvassing board, at any time after two years from the date of the election wherein such ballots and election returns were used.

Approved February 17, 1937.