treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to make appropriate entries upon their records of such transfers.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the State of Minnesota that the game and fish fund shall and will be reimbursed in whatever amount is expended therefrom for the purposes of this act.

Filed April 21, 1953.

(Became a law without the approval of the governor.)

## CHAPTER 471-H. F. No. 17

An act relating to the repurchase of tax forfeited land; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 282.241, as amended.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 282.241, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 514, Section 1, is amended to read:

Land, repurchase after forfeiture for taxes. 282.241The owner at the time of forfeiture of [or] his heirs, devisees, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may repurchase any parcel of land claimed by the state to be forfeited to the state for taxes and which is not located within the restricted area established by any county under Laws 1939, Chapter 340, or if it is so located, if it is approved by the county board for repurchase if such repurchase is made within one year from the date of forfeiture or if such repurchase is made on or before November 1, 1953, unless prior to the time repurchase is made such parcel shall have been sold by the state as provided by law, or is under mineral prospecting permit or lease, or proceedings have been commenced by the state or any of its political subdivisions or by the United States to condemn such parcel of land, for a sum equal to the aggregate of all delinquent taxes and assessments computed as provided by section 282.251, together with penalties, interest, and costs. which did or would have accrued if such parcel of land had not forfeited to the state. Such repurchase shall be permitted only after the adoption of a resolution by the board of county commissioners determining that thereby undue hardship or injustice resulting from the forfeiture will be corrected, or that permitting such repurchase will promote the use of such lands that will best serve the public interest; provided further such

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repurchase shall be subject to any easement, lease or other encumbrance granted by the state prior thereto.

Approved April 21, 1953.

## CHAPTER 472-H. F. No. 26

## [Not Coded]

An act authorizing the city council or other governing body of any city of the first class which city operates under a charter which contains a per capita limitation upon expenditures to fix and refix the salaries of officers and employees not elected by vote of the electors of such cities.

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

Section 1. St. Paul; salaries of non-elective officers fixed by ordinance. In any city of the first class in the State of Minnesota, which city operates under a charter which contains a per capita limitation upon expenditures, commencing as of May 1, 1953, the city council or other governing body in such city is hereby authorized and empowered, by ordinance, to fix, and from time to time refix, the salaries of all officers and employees of such cities who are not elected by a vote of the electors of such cities.

Sec. 2. Charter provisions not to govern. Such power and authority may be exercised by such city councils or other governing bodies regardless of the provisions of any law or charter in conflict herewith. Any authority, and any salary increase granted under the authority of this act, shall terminate June 1, 1955.

Approved April 21, 1953.

## CHAPTER 473-H. F. No. 30

[Not Coded]

An act authorizing cities, villages and towns to levy a tax to support public recreation and playgrounds.

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

Section 1. Cities, villages, and towns in Crow Wing County, levy for public recreation and playgrounds. Whenever any city, village or town in which the assessed valuation consists of more than 55 percent iron ore, or where a city having more than 10,000 population; according to the 1950 BAR