

CHAPTER 514—H. F. No. 1283

An act relating to county tax levies for county agricultural societies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 38.27.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 38.27, is amended to read :

38.27 County agricultural societies, tax levy. *Subdivision 1. Tax levy, powers.* In all counties except counties described in subdivision 2, in addition to all other powers now or hereafter by law conferred upon county boards, authority hereby is given annually to levy a tax of not to exceed one-half mill upon all property subject to taxation and, from time to time, to appropriate and pay over the proceeds of this tax, when collected, to any county agricultural society of its county which is a member of the state agricultural society, to assist the society in paying its financial obligations now or hereafter incurred, and for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repairs and improvements of necessary buildings.

Subd. 2. Mahnomon county, tax levy. In any county having over 7,000 and less than 8,000 inhabitants according to the 1950 federal census and less than 20 full and fractional congressional townships, the county board may levy a tax annually of not to exceed two mills upon all property subject to taxation, for the purposes set forth in subdivision 1.

Approved April 21, 1953.

CHAPTER 515—H. F. No. 1293

An act relating to transfers of inmates of institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.14.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.14, is amended to read :

246.14 Transfers, persons excepted from transfer. The director of public institutions may transfer an inmate from one hospital or asylum for the insane to another, or to the school for feeble-minded or from the school to any hospital or asylum for the insane and shall cause a proper record thereof to be made at such institutions and in his office. The superintendent of any state hospital or asylum for the insane, or school

for the feeble-minded, shall at once notify the director if there is any question as to the propriety of the commitment or detention of any person admitted to such institution and the director shall immediately take action thereon.

The director of public institutions may use available space in any institution under his jurisdiction, or in any institution under the jurisdiction of another department or agency of the state in which space is proffered him, by executive or legislative action, for the care and custody of persons, patients, inmates, or convicts in the institutions under his exclusive control for whom other, more suitable, space is not available. All laws relating to the commitment and care of such persons who may be so committed and institutionalized shall be applicable to such persons.

Other language of this act notwithstanding, the director of public institutions shall have no authority to transfer persons convicted of murder in the first or second degree or persons committed under the psychopathic personality provisions of sections 526.09 and 526.10 except as provided elsewhere by law.

Approved April 21, 1953.

CHAPTER 516—H. F. No. 1299

An act relating to civil service competitive examinations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949; Section 43.13, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 43.13, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Character.** The competitive examinations shall, after published notice, be open to all applicants who are citizens of the United States, who have been residents of this state for two years immediately preceding the date of examination, and who meet with reasonable standards or requirements fixed by the director with regard to experience, character, age, education, physical condition, and such other factors as may be held to relate to the ability of the candidates to perform with reasonable efficiency the duties of the position. No standards or requirements shall be fixed with reference to education or physical condition except such as relate directly to the duties of the office or employment to be filled. Persons under such physical disability as not to make them ineligible by