

(1) No permit to prospect shall be issued for a period to exceed *two years*;

(2) Each permit shall authorize prospecting only within the area designated therein, which area shall not exceed the limitations upon size prescribed by the regulations;

(3) At any time prior to the expiration of any such prospecting permit, the holder thereof shall have the right to a lease giving him the exclusive right to mine and remove the minerals specified in such permit within the area specified in the permit; provided, if the regulations adopted hereunder shall permit or prescribe larger areas for permits than for leases, the permit holder shall designate the specific part of the area covered by his permit (not exceeding the limitations upon size of lease areas) upon which he desires a lease;

(4) Minimum rents and royalties, and the other terms, conditions, and covenants of all such leases shall be prescribed by such regulations prior to the issuance of any permits hereunder;

(5) No such lease shall be for a longer term than 50 years;

(6) All rents and royalties paid under such leases shall be paid to the state treasurer on the order of the state auditor and shall be credited to the permanent school funds of the state;

(7) No minerals shall be removed under such permits until lease has been issued as provided by such regulations, except that, with the approval of the commissioner, sufficient minerals or ore material may be removed for exploratory or assaying purposes;

(8) The grantee of such permit or lease, his or their assigns, representatives, and successors in interest, may be required to secure riparian owners against damage from the use of such lease or permit.

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CHAPTER 538—H. F. No. 1521

An act for the issuance of permits to prospect for gold, silver, copper, cobalt, graphite, coal and petroleum or other minerals than iron ore on the lands owned by the state or in which the state has an interest and under any public waters

and for leases for mining such minerals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 93.25.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 93.25, is amended to read:

93.25 Ores other than iron; prospecting permits, leases.
Subdivision 1. Permits to prospect. The commissioner may with the approval of the executive council issue permits to prospect for gold, silver, copper, cobalt, graphite, coal, and petroleum and other minerals than iron ore upon any lands owned by the state, including trust fund lands, lands forfeited for non-payment of taxes whether held in trust or otherwise, and lands otherwise acquired, *and the beds of any waters belonging to the state adjacent to such lands.* Such permits shall be issued for a period not to exceed *two years* and under such regulations as he may prescribe.

Subd. 2. Leases. At any time prior to the expiration of any such prospecting permit the holder thereof shall have the right to lease the land covered by the permit for the purpose of mining and removing therefrom any minerals which may be discovered therein other than iron ore. The rents, royalties, terms, conditions, and covenants of all such leases shall be fixed by the commissioner pursuant to such regulations as he may prescribe, but no lease shall be for a longer term than 50 years, and all such rents, royalties, terms, conditions, and covenants shall be fully set forth in each lease thus issued and the rents and royalties therein provided for shall be credited to the funds as provided in section 93.22 or section 93.335, subdivision 4, as amended.

Subd. 3. Effect. *The provisions of this section shall not be deemed to repeal or supersede any other applicable provision of law, but shall be supplementary thereto.*

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CHAPTER 539—H. F. No. 1532

An act relating to the taking of fish from a dark house, fish house or shelter and the removal of said structures from the ice; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 101.42, Subdivision 16.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 101.42, Subdivision 16, is amended to read: