

CHAPTER 251—H. F. No. 202.

An act providing for special administration in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Special administrator to be appointed in certain cases.—Whenever it shall be made to appear satisfactorily to the judge of any probate court that the personal property of an intestate deceased person over the administration of whose estate said judge of probate would be entitled to jurisdiction under existing laws, consists only of such property as by existing law would be exempt from application towards the payment of debts and does not exceed in value six hundred and fifty dollars (\$650.00) such judge may appoint a special administrator, with or without notice, who shall proceed to speedily administer said estate according to the provisions of this chapter. Before entering upon his duties such special administrator shall file in the court appointing him his bond with sufficient sureties in such sum as the court may order and his oath to faithfully and lawfully administer said estate according to law.

Sec. 2. When final account is to be filed.—Within fourteen days following the issuance of letters to such special administrator he shall file in the probate court a duly verified inventory of the property belonging to the estate of the decedent and a statement of the liabilities of said estate so far as known, together with an appraisal by two disinterested parties, who shall be appointed by the court, of the property belonging to said estate. If from such inventory and appraisal and any further evidence before court it appears that the estate of the deceased does not exceed in valuation the amount of claims for funeral bills and last sickness, taxes, expenses of administration and statutory allowance to surviving spouse and family of deceased and any other property exempt by law from application towards the payment of debts said special administrator shall immediately file his final account of the administration of said estate.

Sec. 3. Personal service of notice to be issued.—Upon the filing of such account the court may require personal service of notice of hearing of said account on all heirs at law and persons interested in said estate.

Sec. 4. Court to enter order adjusting and allowing account.—Upon the hearing of said account if it shall satisfactorily appear to the court that the estate of the deceased does not exceed in valuation the amount of claims for last sickness and funeral bills, taxes, expenses of administration, allowance to surviving spouse and family of deceased and any other property exempted by law from application towards the payment of debts of de-

ceased the court shall enter its order adjusting and allowing said account as adjusted.

Sec. 5: When administrator is to be discharged.—Upon the filing in such court of vouchers for all disbursements subject to payment paid by said special administrator, the court shall enter its order discharging such special administrator and the sureties on his bond from further liability. Provided, however, that where there is a claim for the alleged wrongful death of the decedent no such special administrator or the sureties on his bond shall be discharged until he shall have filed in the probate court a certified copy of the order of the district court approving such settlement as may be made of such wrongful death claim, and also a certified copy of the order of the district court distributing the moneys received for wrongful death to the persons thereunto entitled.

Sec. 6. This act shall be in force and effect on and after its passage.

Approved April 14, 1917.

CHAPTER 252—H. F. No. 283.

An act to amend Section 4768 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913, relating to the seizure and destruction or sale of contraband nets, firearms and other devices, contrivances and materials had or used in violation of the game and fish laws of this state.

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

Section 1. Proceeds from sale of contraband nets, devices, fire arms, etc., to be paid to the state treasurer.—That section No. 4768 of the General Statutes of Minnesota be amended so as to read as follows:

4768. All nets, seines, lanterns, snares, *fire arms, spears, boats, traps, headlights, or other devices, contrivances and materials*, while in use or had or maintained for the purpose of catching, taking or killing or attracting or deceiving any bird, animal or fish contrary to any provision of this chapter within this state or upon or in the boundary waters thereof, including fish houses, inclosed or other sheltering structures or appliances erected or maintained upon the ice or in any water or on the shore of any lake, pond or stream, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance. The commissioner, all game wardens, sheriffs and their deputies, constables and police officers shall, without warrant or process, take, seize, abate and destroy any and all of the same while being used, had or maintained for such purpose and no liability shall be incurred therefor to any person; *provided, that all such articles, devices, contrivances and*