

"Section 1. A Commission to be known as 'Port Authority of .....' is hereby established in and for every city of this State which has, or shall have over 50,000 inhabitants and which is or shall be situated upon, or adjacent to, or which embraces or shall embrace within its boundaries, in whole or in part, a port or harbor located on a navigable lake or stream. This act is expressly declared to be applicable to all such cities, whether now or hereafter existing under a charter framed and adopted under Section 36 of Article 4 of the State Constitution or not. *Where two or more port districts in cities of the first class are adjacent, they shall constitute a metropolitan port district, and there is hereby established therein a joint commission to be known as '..... Port Commission,' the further designation in the name to be supplied and adopted by the commission. Such joint commission shall consist, ex officio, of all the commissioners of port authority in each district embraced in said metropolitan port district, and shall perform such functions and have such powers as may be delegated or extended to it by concurrent resolutions adopted from time to time by the port authorities in the constituent port districts. When so authorized such joint commission may exercise any or all the powers conferred by this act upon said port authorities. Any such port authority may subsequently withdraw or rescind its action or concurrence in any such resolution, and, upon proper notice thereof, the powers or functions of the joint commission shall to that extent be withdrawn.*"

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CHAPTER 133—S. F. No. 775

*An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1865, relating to leasing, selling or abandoning municipally owned water works or lighting plants, or parts thereof, or discontinuing wholly or in part the operation thereof.*

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

Section 1. **Leasing, selling or abandoning of water works or lighting plants.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1865, be amended to read as follows:

"1865. Any village or city of the fourth class in this state wherein there is constructed and in operation water works and lighting plant or water works or lighting plant for supplying water

and light, or either of them, for public purposes or for the private use of its inhabitants or both, owned by any such city or village, may by resolution or ordinance of its governing body, passed and adopted in the usual manner, sell, lease or abandon any such plant or any specific part thereof, *or discontinue wholly or in part the operations thereof*; if a specific part of such plant is to be sold, leased or abandoned, *or the operation thereof discontinued*, such resolution shall state the specific part to be so sold, leased or abandoned, *or to be discontinued*. Before any such resolution or ordinance shall become effective, the same shall be submitted to the legal voters of such village or city at a regular village or city election or special election therein and approved by a two-thirds vote of the electors voting thereon at any such election. The ballots at any such election shall be printed and contain in full the resolution or ordinance to be voted upon and thereon immediately following the resolution or ordinance, there shall be printed in appropriate manner the words "yes" and "no" on separate lines and every voter desiring to vote in favor of such proposition shall thereupon make his cross (X) mark opposite the word "yes" and every voter desiring to vote against such proposition shall make such mark opposite the word "no." In case of villages such election shall be conducted and the votes cast thereat shall be canvassed and the result thereof certified in like manner as in case of an election for village officers, and in case of cities of the fourth class, such election shall be conducted and the votes cast thereat shall be canvassed and the result thereof certified in like manner as in case of an election for city officers in the respective cities of the fourth class according to the law or charter governing such city."

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#### CHAPTER 134—S. F. No. 781

*An act authorizing school districts to contract in certain cases with cities for the heating of its buildings.*

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

**Section 1. School boards may contract for heat in certain cases.**—That the governing board of any school district having one or more buildings within a city maintaining a municipal cen-