

"Section 3. At the time and place specified in said notice, if it shall appear that a petition in due form as required by this act has been filed and the notice of said hearing duly published, said board shall have jurisdiction of all property described in the ditch lien record referred to in said petition and all parties interested therein or holding any liens or incumbrances thereon and shall have full authority to hear all parties for or against granting such petition and may adjourn said hearing from time to time as they deem proper and if it shall further appear that default has been made in the payment of the interest or principal on the installments due on the ditch lien in said proceedings or many of the parties owning land covered by such ditch lien in said proceedings are unable to pay the installments of principal due or which shall come due, or that the conditions are such that extension of the time of payment of the amounts remaining unpaid on the principal of the ditch lien is necessary to protect the credit of, or prevent loss to, the county, and said board, after full hearing, shall so find, then said board shall have full authority and may by order direct that the payment of the whole or a specified portion of the amount of the several installments of the lien which is payable under the terms of the lien statement and supplemental lien statement, if any, in such proceedings as shown on the auditor's lien record, for any or all of the years 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1936, or one or more of such years shall be extended for a specified number of years not exceeding ten and direct the county auditor to enter on the ditch lien record of the county a proper notation of such extension showing the portions of the principal of such lien that is so extended and the date to which the said extension is made. The entire unpaid principal of the lien so modified and extended pursuant to this section shall draw interest as though no extension had been made. The certificate of the county auditor that the said petition contains the requisite number of signatures of property owners, together with the resolution of the county board approving said petition, shall be conclusive evidence of the sufficiency thereof."

Approved February 13, 1931.

CHAPTER 17—H. F. No. 460

An act amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2689, as amended, relating to penalties for delay in registration of motor vehicles.

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

Section 1. **Penalties for non-registration.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2689, as amended by Laws 1929, Chapter 330, Section 2, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2689. Every owner or transferor of a motor vehicle who fails or delays for more than seven days to surrender the registration certificate and existing number plates as herein provided, before he shall be entitled to sell and assign his right to have the tax paid by him credited to the transferee as herein provided, *shall pay to the registrar a fee of 25 cents for each day (not exceeding four days), of such delay, and if such delay shall continue for 30 days thereafter, then one dollar per month for each month or fraction thereof (not exceeding four months), of such delay; and every owner or person charged with the duty to register a motor vehicle or pay any tax hereunder who fails or delays for more than seven days to register the same or pay such taxes as herein provided shall, before he shall be entitled to complete his registration as herein provided, pay to the registrar, a like fee. A filing with, or delivery to, the registrar of any application, notice, certificate or plates as required by this act, shall be construed to be within the requirements of this act if made to the registrar or his deputy at an office maintained therefor, or if deposited in the mail or with a carrier by express with postage or carriage charges prepaid, and properly addressed to the registrar within seven days after the transfer of ownership or other occurrence upon which this act provides for such filing or delivery.*"

Sec. 2. **Effective on passage.**—This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 17, 1931.

CHAPTER 18—H. F. No. 124

An act amending Section 8926, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, relating to the appointment of guardians for insane or incompetent persons.

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

Section 1. **Hearing — Appointment.**—That Section 8926, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"8926. At the time fixed the Court shall consider all competent evidence offered for and against the petition, and if it appears that a guardian should be appointed the Court shall appoint *not exceeding three persons as guardian or guardians of the person and/or estate of such insane or incompetent person.*

Sec. 2. **Effective on passage.**—This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 18, 1931.