

the area prohibited for use of shot guns are excepted from the operation of this section and may be permitted by special permit of the director of game and fish."

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CHAPTER 245—H. F. No. 537

An act to promote the public welfare by providing for the issuance of certificates of indebtedness and for the levying of taxes and authorizing the State Board of Investment to purchase said certificates of indebtedness and providing for the administration of said act by the Executive Council and appropriating money for the purpose of this act.

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

WHEREAS, the conditions described in Chapter 89, Extra Session Laws of 1937 continue to exist and the appropriation thereunder having proved insufficient to carry out the purpose and intent thereof;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to appropriate additional funds to remedy said deficiency to fulfill the purpose of said Act:

Section 1. Appropriation from deficiency relief fund.— There is hereby appropriated out of the Deficiency Relief Fund of 1939 hereinafter created, and as hereinafter provided, to the State Executive Council hereinafter called the Council for public relief purposes as described herein, including the cost of administration and supervision, the sum of \$2,330,000 of which amount not more than the sum of \$55,000 shall be used for sponsors' contribution to emergency work projects, the same to be available immediately for the period ending July 1, 1939, for the purpose of furnishing relief and employment to needy and destitute persons within the State of Minnesota, in accordance with the provisions of Extra Session Laws 1937, Chapter 89, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, and 14. All employable recipients of direct relief from public relief funds herein provided shall be required to accept suitable employment when offered in lieu of such direct relief; and if the compensation for such employment shall be less than the established budget requirement of such recipients, the difference shall be provided from available relief funds; provided that upon the termination of such employment, persons becoming

thus unemployed shall again receive direct relief out of available relief funds provided that they are otherwise qualified for such relief.

Sec. 2. Tax levy for 1940 and 1941.—For the purpose of providing funds with which to discharge the obligations provided by the terms of this Act, the State Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy upon all taxable property in the State in the same manner in which other State taxes are levied the sum of \$1,165,000 for each of the taxable years 1940 and 1941, inclusive, and to levy and collect annually for each of said years such additional sums as may be needed to meet the interest on the certificates of indebtedness hereinafter authorized. The proceeds from such tax levies shall be placed to the credit of a fund known as the Deficiency Relief Fund of 1939 created pursuant to the provisions of this Act. Pending the levy and collection of said taxes, the Council is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and sell upon sealed bids and after two weeks' published notice at not less than par, certificates of indebtedness of the State, exclusive of those to be levied for the payment of interest, which certificates shall be known as the Deficiency Relief Certificates, which shall be numbered consecutively, and shall be in such form and denomination, with or without interest coupons, mature at such time not exceeding five years from the date thereof, bear such rate of interest, payable semi-annually and be a charge upon and lien against the taxes herein authorized to be levied to such an extent and with such priority as the Council shall determine and the certificates and the interest thereon shall be payable from said fund provided that such interest as may become due on any such certificates prior to the collection of sufficient taxes to pay the same shall be paid out of the revenue fund. Such certificates shall be signed by the State Treasurer and attested by the State Auditor under their respective seals, and the Auditor and Treasurer shall keep due record thereof. The proceeds of the sale of such certificates shall be credited to the Deficiency Relief Fund of 1939 which is herein created and the relief provided for in this Act shall be paid from said fund and the money in said fund is hereby appropriated to the Council for said relief purposes.

Sec. 3. State Board of Investment may buy certificates.—The State Board of Investment is hereby authorized to invest the state trust funds in said certificates and said State Board of Investment is hereby authorized to purchase said certificates of indebtedness in such sums and amounts as said State Board of Investment may, from time to time have funds

available. The State Board of Investment is authorized to purchase said certificates of indebtedness at a rate of interest not less than two per cent, any law to the contrary notwithstanding, and such certificates may be sold to said Board without advertisement for bids.

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CHAPTER 246—H. F. No. 579

An act regulating the making of purchases and the contracting for the furnishing of contractual work in all counties having a population in excess of 75,000 and less than 225,000.

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

Section 1. Purchasing contracts in certain cities.—In all counties having a population in excess of 75,000 and less than 225,000, no contract for the purchase of supplies, materials or equipment, and no contract for work or labor or for the construction or repair of buildings, roads, bridges or other permanent improvements, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed \$500, shall be made by the county board, commission or agency having charge of any activity supported in whole or in part by taxes upon the taxable property of such counties without first advertising for sealed bids which shall be solicited by public notice inserted at least once in the official newspaper of the county at least ten calendar days before the final date of submitting bids. All bids shall be opened in public at a specified time and place and shall be read aloud and tabulated. All such contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, shall be duly executed in writing, and the person to whom the same is awarded shall give sufficient bond for its faithful performance and it shall be approved by resolution of the Board or commission and signed by its chairman. In case no satisfactory bid is received, the board, or commission, may readvertise. Every contract made without compliance with the provisions of this act shall be void; provided, that in case of an emergency arising from the breaking, damaging or decay of any county property of any such county, that cannot be allowed to wait for the time required to advertise for bids as herein required, and where the public health and safety would suffer by the delay, contracts for the purchase or repair may be made without advertising for bids.

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