

CHAPTER 342—H. F. No. 1592

An act relating to actions attacking the validity of annual delinquent tax sales, the validity of subsequent taxes, and the redemption of lands sold at such annual tax sale and amending the 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2139-2.

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

Section 1. Attacking validity of sales.—The 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2139-2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2139-2. *Any person interested may, within one year from the date of any tax sale hereafter held, apply to the court on notice to the county auditor and to the purchaser at such tax sale, if any, for cause shown, to have the taxes, penalties, interest and costs remaining unpaid on such parcel, set aside or reduced and the court on such application may sustain, modify, or set aside the judgment whereon the sale was held; provided, that unless the judgment and sale be set aside the period of redemption shall not be extended thereby. If by such determination the amount required to redeem from such sale is reduced, the purchaser at the sale or his assigns shall be entitled to refundment of the excesssive amount paid by him, with interest, as in other cases of refundment. Provided, further, that no action, defense or application, attacking the validity of the sale of any parcel at an annual delinquent tax sale shall be entertained unless brought, interposed or made within one year from such sale.*

Sec. 2. Effective November 1, 1939.—*This act shall be in force and effect after November 1, 1939.*

Approved April 20, 1939.

CHAPTER 343—H. F. No. 1596

An act providing for the acceptance of lands in settlement of claims for damages to state lands and timber.

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

Section 1. Settlement of claims for damages to state lands and timber.—The commissioner of conservation, upon recommendation of the Attorney General, may compromise and settle any claim of the state arising before the passage of this

act for damages to state lands or timber resulting from the maintenance of the dams in the international boundary waters at International Falls and Kettle Falls, and may execute complete releases of such claims and dismissals of any proceedings based thereon in behalf of the state, in consideration of the conveyancy to the state of the lands approved by the commissioner, situated in the counties bordering on said waters; provided, that no such settlement shall operate to release any future damages sustained by the state from the maintenance or operation of said dams, or to grant or convey any future rights or easements in any state lands affected thereby.

Sec. 2. **Lands to be state forest lands.**—All lands conveyed to the state pursuant to the provisions of this act shall be state forest lands, and shall be governed, operated, managed and controlled in the same manner as other state forests. For said purposes, the commissioner may attach any of said lands to existing state forests, or may operate the same as separate forests, as he may deem expedient.

Sec. 3. **May be exchanged for other lands.**—Any lands conveyed to the state pursuant to the provisions of this act shall be subject to exchange for other lands of the United States or private persons, as may be otherwise provided by law, and subject to such conditions and limitations as may be imposed by law on such exchanges; provided, that none of said lands bordering on said international boundary waters or other lakes or streams shall be so exchanged or otherwise disposed of unless expressly authorized by law.

Approved April 20, 1939.

~~CHAPTER 344—H. F. No. 1619~~

~~An act to validate certain judgments and decrees where jurisdiction has been obtained by publication of summons without recording notice of lis pendens in the office of the register of deeds.~~

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

~~Section 1, Judgments validated in certain cases.~~ ~~That in~~ all actions when judgments and decrees have been entered in the district court of this state where jurisdiction of any defendants, including unknown defendants, has been obtained by publication of the summons and notice of lis pendens, and