

expired less than five years prior to the passage and approval hereof, and the corporation has continued in good faith to carry on and transact business and has heretofore in good faith attempted to renew the period of its corporate existence for a perpetual term, or for a period of 30 years, and such renewal proceedings were in all respects legal and in accordance with law, save that the same were not completed prior to the expiration of said period, such corporation may renew the period of its corporate existence for a perpetual term with the same force and effect as if such renewal proceedings had been completed before its said period of duration expired, by completing the proceedings provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of such corporation in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration. Provided, however, that the proceedings to obtain such renewal shall be taken within one year after the passage of this act. Provided, further, that this act shall not affect any pending litigation, nor apply to any corporation whose charter has been declared forfeited by any court of competent jurisdiction in this state.

Sec. 2. **Proceedings to relate back.**—When such steps are taken to renew the corporate existence of such corporation, such proceedings shall relate back to the date of the expiration of said original corporate period, and when said period is extended as provided by this act, any and all corporate acts and contracts done, performed, made and entered into after the expiration of said original period shall be and each is hereby declared to be legal and valid.

Approved April 10, 1941.

CHAPTER 168—H. F. No. 498

An act relating to the sale of binder twine manufactured in the Minnesota state prison; amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 10812.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 10812, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"10812. **Sale of binding twine.**—The price of *binder twine* manufactured at the state prison shall be fixed by the warden and the *director of public institutions* not later than *May first*, each year. The *director of public institutions* in his discretion,

may agree to allow to purchasers of binder twine, *uniform discounts* from the price so fixed, on condition payment for twine purchased is made by the purchaser at the time agreed upon for such payment. Such twine shall be sold to actual consumers in quantities needed for their use, and to dealers within the state under such rules and regulations as may be provided by said *director of public institutions*, for cash or on terms with such security as may be required and approved by the warden. Dealers desiring to purchase such twine shall enter into a written agreement with the state to sell said twine in keeping with rules and regulations established by the warden and the *director of public institutions*. Such agreement shall also provide that when such twine is sold for cash it shall be at a price not greater than one cent per pound above the purchase price and freight from the prison to the station where such twine is sold, and when such twine is sold on time, at a price not greater than one and a half cents per pound above the purchase price and freight, as hereinbefore prescribed.

The *director of public institutions* shall cause to be held in reserve at the prison until March first of each year 1,500,000 pounds of twine for the purpose of filling club and cash orders received from consumers, and thereafter until July first of each year said *director of public institutions* shall reduce such reserve to 500,000 pounds, after which date all twine shall be sold. The state shall retain a contingent interest in twine so sold, and if any dealer shall violate his said agreement, the *director of public institutions* may declare such twine forfeited to the state and retake possession thereof. Every dealer purchasing such twine shall keep it separate from other twine and also keep a correct record of all his sales, showing the date, amount, price and name and postoffice address of purchaser, which shall be open to the inspection of the warden, *director of public institutions* and the proper county attorney. Every dealer who shall violate the terms of said written agreement, and every person violating any provision of this section, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Whenever in the opinion of the *director of public institutions* and the warden of the prison, the best interests of the state require such action, such binder twine may be sold to dealers or consumers without the state in conformity with federal and individual state laws governing the sale of binder twine.

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