

CHAPTER 350—H. F. No. 4

An act relating to bounties on bear and appropriating money therefor.

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

Section 1. Reward for killing bear. Every person who shall kill a wild bear in this state, not having at the time spared the life of any other such bear he could have killed, shall be rewarded in such sum as the board of county commissioners of the county in which the bear is killed may have determined and established for each adult and cub bear, to be paid from the county revenue fund. The state shall annually at the end of the state fiscal year reimburse from the General Revenue Fund only each county for one-half of all rewards for bear so killed therein but the amount of state reimbursement shall not in any event exceed \$10.00 for each adult bear and \$5.00 for each cub bear.

If the total state appropriation shall be insufficient to reimburse each county in full, the amount of the appropriation shall be pro-rated to the various counties.

Sec. 2. Cubs. All bear shall be considered cubs until after they have emerged from their second period of hibernation.

Sec. 3. Procedure for collection of bounties. The procedure for collection of bounties on bear shall be the same as provided by law for the collection of bounties on wolves, provided that in no event shall any bounty be paid until a state game warden or refuge patrolman has viewed the bear on the premises where it was killed.

Sec. 4. Fraudulent collection of bounties; penalty. Every person who shall fraudulently claim or obtain any reward for the killing of a bear, or issue any fraudulent or unauthorized certificate or warrant therefor, or claim reward upon a bear which he has in any way protected or upon any tame or captive bear which he has harbored, or upon the offspring of any tame or captive bear, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor, the punishment for which shall be a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 90 days nor more than one year.

Sec. 5. Appropriation. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, there is hereby appropriated out of

the general revenue fund or funds not otherwise appropriated, the amount of \$5,000 for the year ending June 30, 1946, and the amount of \$5,000 for the year ending June 30, 1947.

Approved April 17, 1945.

CHAPTER 351—H. F. No. 225

An act to authorize the governing body of cities of the first class now or hereafter having a population of 450,000, or over, to levy an annual tax for the maintenance and operation of activities of such cities relating to the health and welfare of their citizens.

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

Section 1. **Tax levy in support of hospitals.** The governing body of any city of the first class now or hereafter having a population of 450,000, or over, is hereby authorized and empowered to levy an annual tax, in addition to any tax authorized by law or charter of said city, of not to exceed five mills, upon all the taxable property within said city. The proceeds of said tax are to be used solely for the care, conduct, management and operation of hospitals, dispensaries and clinics maintained by said city and for the furnishing by it of medical and dental service to the poor. Such tax shall not at any time be in excess of the maximum rate of taxation fixed for the purpose hereinabove mentioned by any board or department of any such city, upon whom the duty of fixing the maximum rate of taxation for the various boards and departments of the city is placed by the charter of such city.

Approved April 17, 1945.

CHAPTER 352—H. F. No. 354

An act relating to cleaning and repairing county drains or ditches causing damage from overflowing of same, by county boards where the State of Minnesota holds title through tax