

*the society. It shall act as an advisory committee in the selection of works of art purchased by the state and of designs for state public buildings.*

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 139.04, is amended to read as follows:

**139.04. Powers and privileges.** *The society may acquire money or property of any kind by gift or bequest and it may purchase works of art produced by artists born or living in this state, provided that no one artist shall be paid in any year more than \$500 in addition to the costs of materials and casting of any sculpture purchased from him. In so acquiring works of art, it may select them from the annual exhibition at the state fair or other exhibitions or sources. The society may hire any works of art for exhibition purposes. The works of art acquired by the society shall be made available for the education and enjoyment of the people of the state through lending them singly or in groups, for stated periods or indefinitely, for exhibition in suitable places throughout the state, including educational and cultural institutions, libraries, hospitals and any buildings owned, controlled or occupied by the state or any of its political subdivisions. Any institution or municipality receiving any such exhibition or loan may be required to pay such share of the society's costs and expenses as the governing board in its discretion may determine to be fair and reasonable.*

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 139.05, is amended to read as follows:

**139.05. Expense authorized.** *The society may incur and pay all expenses reasonably necessary for properly selecting, preserving, transporting and exhibiting all works of art that it may acquire.*

Sec. 6. **Repealed.** Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 139.06, is hereby repealed.

Approved April 5, 1947.

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CHAPTER 238—S. F. No. 896

*An act relating to contracts and purchases on behalf of the state; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 16.07, Subdivision 5.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 16.07, Subdivision 5, is amended to read as follows:

16.07. **Competitive bids.** Subd. 5. **Standard specifications.** Contracts and purchases shall in all cases be based on the standard specifications prescribed by the commissioner in accordance with Laws 1939, Chapter 431, as amended, unless otherwise expressly provided, and shall be accompanied by a certified check or a corporate surety bond of a surety company duly authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota in such amount and upon such conditions as the commissioner prescribes.

Approved April 5, 1947.

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CHAPTER 239—S. F. No. 899

*An act relating to legal newspapers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 331.02, by adding a new subdivision.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 331.02, is amended by adding a new subdivision to read as follows:

331.02. **Legal newspaper.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Subdivision 2, clause (5), a newspaper shall be declared an official and legal publication upon the filing of an affidavit with the county auditor showing that the newspaper was in existence but publication thereof was suspended before the completion of one full year because the editor or publisher was forced to enter active military service after December 7, 1941, and prior to December 31, 1946, under the Selective Service Act of 1940, and publication of the newspaper was resumed after honorable discharge of the editor or publisher.

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CHAPTER 240—S. F. No. 966

[Coded as Sections 144.59 to 144.65]

*An act relating to the registration of superintendents and*