may take rough fish by spearing during such seasons at such times and in such waters subject to such limits and other conditions as the Commissioner of Conservation by regulation may prescribe; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall restrict the power of the Commissioner of Conservation to close any waters for winter spearing.

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CHAPTER 365—S. F. No. 248 [Section 1 Coded as Section 15.18]

An act relating to the distribution of publications received by or authorized by the state or any of its departments, agencies, or officials; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Sections 138.03, 137.04, 480.09, 16.02, and Section 648.39, Subdivision 1.

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

[15.18] Distribution of publications. Section 1. Except as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 5.08, 16.02, and 648.39, when any department, agency, or official of the state issues for public distribution any book, document, journal, map, pamphlet, or report copies thereof shall be delivered immediately as follows:

Three copies to the Minnesota Historical Society;

One copy to the general library of the University of Minnesota, and may, upon request of the librarian, deliver additional copies;

Two copies to the state library, and such additional copies as the state librarian deems necessary for exchange with other libraries, with other states, with the United States, and with governments of foreign countries.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 138.03, is amended to read as follows:

138.03. Minnesota Historical Society custodian of records; copies as evidence. Subdivision 1. Two copies of each book, document, journal, map, pamphlet, or report delivered to the Minnesota Historical Society in accordance with the provisions of section 1 shall be preserved by the society and one copy of each thereof shall be sent immediately to the Library of Congress.

Subd. 2. The Minnesota Historical Society is the custodian of the records, files, documents, books, and papers turned over to it from any public office of the state, including any county, city, village, borough, or town office.

Subd. 3. The Minnesota Historical Society may destroy all such records, documents, and papers which it deems to be without legal or administrative value or historical interest, No public document less than six years old shall be destroyed. An accurate list *descriptive* of the records disposed of and a record of the disposal shall be preserved by the Minnesota Historical Society and by the department or agency in which the records originated.

Subd. 4. The society shall provide for the classification, arranging, and indexing of all public records which it deems of sufficient value and interest to preserve so that these public records may be available for the use of the public.

Subd. 5. Copies and photographic reproductions of papers, documents, files, and records turned over to the society in accordance with the provisions of subdivision 2, including reproduction of records the originals of which have been destroyed, when certified under oath as true copies by the superintendent of the society, shall be admitted as evidence in all courts with the same effect as though certified to by the original custodian thereof.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 137.04, is amended to read as follows:

137.04. University library to get copies of state publications. The general library of the University of Minnesota is a depository of all books, pamphlets, maps, and other works published by or under the authority of the State of Minnesota.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 480.09, is amended to read as follows:

480.09. State library. Subdivision 1. The state library shall be maintained in the capitol and shall be under the supervision of the justices of the supreme court. They shall direct the purchases of books, pamphlets, and documents therefore and the sales and exchanges therefrom. They shall adopt rules for the government of the library and the management of its affairs, and prescribe penalties for the violation thereof.

Subd. 2. The state librarian shall be appointed by the governor for a term of two years and until his successor

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qualifies. He shall give bond to the state in an amount not less than \$2,000, to be approved by the governor, conditioned for the faithful performance of his official duties. Subject to the approval of the justices, he may appoint an assistant librarian to serve during his term, who shall perform his duties when he is absent or disabled, and, subject to the approval of the justices, he may employ necessary assistants.

Subd. 3. The librarian shall—

(1) have charge of the library rooms and property.

(2) under the direction of the justices attend to all purchases, exchanges, and sales.

(3) enforce the rules prescribed for the government of the library and the management of its affairs.

(4) collect all damages from injury to or retention of library property and all fines imposed for violation of the rules.

(5) effect exchanges of any books, documents, journals, maps, pamphlets, and reports delivered to the state library by any department, agency, or official of the state in accordance with the provisions of section 1.

(6) keep a detailed chronological record of all purchases, exchanges, and sales and of all additions to the library by gift, purchase, or exchange, respectively.

(7) keep an account of all amounts collected as damages or fines or from other sources, and of all expenditures.

Subd. 4. The records and accounts of the library shall be open to public inspection and shall be transferred to the successor of the librarian.

Subd. 5. All moneys collected shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be added to the current appropriation for the library.

Subd. 6. All official publications of the United States and of other states and countries, which are received for the use of this state by any officer thereof, shall be *sent to* the state library forthwith.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 16.02, is amended to read as follows:

16.02. Powers and duties. Subject to other applicable provisions of Laws 1939, Chapter 431, as amended, and to other laws not inconsistent therewith, the commissioner shall

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have the following powers and duties respecting all agencies of the state:

(1) To purchase, rent, or otherwise provide for the furnishing of all supplies, materials, equipment, printing, and utility services, prescribe standard specifications therefor, to provide for inspecting and testing the same, and otherwise to enforce compliance with such specifications; to prescribe and designate classes of state printing;

(2) To prescribe time, manner, authentication, and form of making requisitions for supplies, materials, equipment, printing, and utility services and the manner and form in which claims therefor shall be submitted, allowed, and paid;

(3) To supervise and control the making of all contracts for building, highways, and other improvements, and to prescribe the amount of certified checks, deposits, or bonds to be submitted in connection with bids and contracts, when not otherwise provided for by law;

(4) To cause to be prepared plans and specifications for the construction, alteration, or enlargement of all state buildings, structures, and other improvements except highways and bridges; to approve such plans and specifications; to advertise for bids and award all contracts in connection with such improvements; to supervise and inspect all work relating thereto; after any contract for such an improvement is let, to approve all lawful changes in plans and specifications; to approve estimates for payment; and to accept such improvements when completed according to such plans and specifications;

(5) To maintain and operate the state capitol building, state office building, historical society building, and the grounds appertaining thereto, also, where deemed advisable and practicable by the commissioner, any other building or premises owned or rented by the state for the use of any state department or other administrative agency; provided, that this shall not apply to state hospitals or to educational, penal, correctional, or other institutions the control of which is vested by law in some other agency;

(6) To provide for the periodical inspection and appraisal of all state property, real and personal, and for keeping current and perpetual inventories thereof, and to require all departments and agencies to make reports of the real and

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personal property in their custody at such intervals and in such form as he may deem necessary;

(7) To inspect all state power, heating, and lighting plants, and to make such rules regulating the operation thereof and to recommend such improvements therein as will promote economical and efficient operation;

(8) To supervise and control the making of necessary repairs to all state buildings and structures, except structures, other than buildings, under the control of the state highway department;

(9) To rent land and other premises when necessary for state purposes; provided, that no such land or premises shall be rented for a term exceeding two years at a time; except that, with the approval of the legislative *advisory* committee, the commissioner may lease land or premises for a term not exceeding five years, subject to cancellation upon 30 days' written notice by the state for any reason except rental of other land or premises for the same use;

(10) To prepare a biennial budget, under the supervision of the governor-elect;

(11) To operate the allotment system;

(12) To provide for the printing and distribution of the session laws, the capitol guide book, official reports, and other publications of all kinds, and to supervise and control the form of such reports and publications so as to coordinate *them*, avoid duplications, and make *them* useful and informative to the public;

(13) To rent out, with the approval of the governor, any state property, real or personal, not needed for public use, the rental of which is not otherwise provided for or prohibited by law; this shall not apply to state trust fund lands, or other state lands under the jurisdiction of the department of conservation, or to property under the jurisdiction of the *conservator* of rural credit, or to lands forfeited for delinquent taxes; no such property shall be rented out for a term exceeding two years at a time;

(14) To have charge of all central store rooms and supply rooms serving more than one department now or hereafter established and operated by the state;

(15) To maintain and operate for state departments and agencies a central mailing service, and a duplicating division

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in which all duplication shall be done; to require that all equipment now or hereafter owned by the state be turned into the central duplicating division for use therein with the following exceptions:

(a) duplicating machines may be used in any department, institution, or state agency not located in St. Paul or Minneapolis,

(b) The motor vehicle department may continue to fill in the necessary data on *motor vehicle* license registration cards on duplicating machines or by duplicating process,

(c) the civil service department may continue to produce work of confidential nature on their own duplicating machines,

(d) the railroad and warehouse commission may utilize a duplicating machine for the purpose of issuing its orders and other work which is confidential until the time of its release;

The duplicating work to be done by the duplicating division shall be restricted to producing any form, booklet, or pamphlet as follows:

(a) four pages or less, not to exceed 5,000 copies,

(b) over four pages and not to exceed 24 pages, not to exceed 1,000 copies,

(c) over 24 pages and not to exceed 50 pages, not to exceed 750 copies,

(d) over 50 pages, not to exceed 500 copies;

(16) To sell all public books and documents which are subject to sale;

(17) To transfer to or between state departments and agencies or to sell supplies, materials, and equipment which are surplus, obsolete, or unused, making proper adjustments in the accounts and appropriations of the departments or agencies concerned;

(18) To purchase from the state penal institutions and other state institutions all articles manufactured by them which are usable by the state;

(19) To make rules and regulations relative to travel of state officers and employees on state business and the expenses incurred thereon;

(20) To enter into a contract with any airline company regularly engaged in carrying passengers on schedule flights

in interstate commerce for the establishment of an air travel account for the State of Minnesota, subject to such terms . and conditions as may be necessary and proper to facilitate air travel by officers and employees of the state, and to deposit with the airline company not more than \$500 to the credit of such account. The sum of \$500 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated to the commissioner of administration out of the general revenue fund in the state treasury for the purposes of this clause.

(21) To make rules and regulations relative to the expense of moving state officers and employees to new stations, subsistence, and such other expenses as may be necessary and incident to assignments to such stations, and to provide for the payment thereof by reimbursement of actual expenses or payment therefor at a daily flat rate;

(22) The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized to approve allotments for sand, clay, stone, gravel, and other earth materials heretofore purchased for trunk highway purposes for which allotments were not made as required by Laws 1939, Chapter 431.

(23) The state auditor is hereby authorized to encumber trunk highway funds for sand, clay, stone, gravel, and other earth materials heretofore purchased for trunk highway purposes for which funds were not encumbered as required by Laws 1939, Chapter 431, and to pay for such sand, clay, stone, gravel and other earth materials upon proper authorization by the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 648.39, Subdivision 1, is amended to read as follows:

648.39. Sale and distribution. Subdivision 1. The commissioner of administration shall purchase 1,000 copies of each edition of Minnesota Statutes, to be distributed by him as follows:

3 copies to each justice of the supreme court;

1 copy to each judge of a district court;

1 copy to the clerk of each district court for use in each court-room of the district court of his county;

100 copies to the state law library;

100 copies to the law school of the University of Minnesota;

30 copies to the office of the attorney general;

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1, or more, copies, as may be necessary, to the various executive officers, heads of departments, administrative boards and societies of the state government;

1 copy to each member of the Legislature;

1 copy to each committee of the Legislature as required;

• 4 copies to the secretary of the senate;

4 copies to the chief clerk of the house of representatives;

1 copy to each judge, district attorney, clerk of court of the United States and the deputy clerk of each division of the United States district court in this state, the secretary of state of the United States, the Library of Congress, and the Minnesota Historical Society.

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CHAPTER 366—S. F. No. 299 [Not Coded]

An act relating to the reinstatement of agreements for the repurchase of tax forfeited land, legalizing payments of delinquent installments for purchase thereof, and amending Laws 1945, Chapter 505.

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

Section 1. Reinstatement of agreements on tax-forfeited lands. Any agreement for repurchase of tax forfeited land which has been terminated for default may be reinstated as herein provided upon a written request by the purchaser under the agreement, his heirs, successors, assigns, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes is given by statute, mortgage or other written agreement, filed with the county auditor not later than December 31, 1948, provided that the land has not been resold. The petitioner shall deposit therewith an amount sufficient to pay all delinquent payments under the agreement, taxes, penalties, interest and costs required to be paid under the agreement, together with an amount equal to the taxes and assessments that would have been levied and payable but for the termination of such repurchase agreement; such taxes shall be computed by the county auditor as in the case of omitted taxes that would have been