

other party in interest shall pay the same within 30 days thereafter, with 25 per cent penalty added thereon, and in default of payment the auditor shall enter this expense on the tax lists of the county as a special charge against the real estate on which the building is or was situated and the same shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes and the amount so collected, including the penalty thereon, shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the fund of the state fire marshal. *When any real estate on which the building or structure is or was situated forfeits to the state for taxes, this expense shall be apportioned by the county auditor from the net proceeds of the sale or rental of such forfeited land to the state treasury to be credited to the fund of the state fire marshal in the same manner as any other special assessment is apportioned as provided in section 282.08, clause (2). If the amount received for the sale of the salvage, or of the building or structure, or for liquidated damages for breach of the agreement to remove the building or structure exceeds the expense incurred by the state fire marshal, as allowed by the court, and if there are no delinquent taxes, the court shall direct the payment of the surplus to the owner or the payment of the same into court for his use and benefit. If there are delinquent taxes against the property, the court shall direct the payment of the surplus to the county treasurer to be applied on such taxes.*

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CHAPTER 418—H. F. No. 299

An act relating to elections and for the registration of voters and to amend Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 201.17.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 201.17, is amended to read as follows:

201.17. **Application for registration. Subdivision 1. Personal application and oath.** The commissioner shall, up to 20 days next preceding any election, receive the application for registration of such voters as personally appear for registration at his office, or at such other place as is designated by him for registration, who then are, or on the date of the election next following the day of making such application,

will be entitled to vote. Any voter who applies for registration shall subscribe to the following oath or affirmation:

"You do solemnly swear or affirm that you will fully and truly answer such questions as shall be put to you touching your qualifications as a voter under the laws of this state."

Upon being sworn, the applicant shall answer such questions as are required, as hereinbefore set forth, and the clerk shall fill out the form which the applicant shall sign, and he shall not be required to register again for any election; except as provided in section 201.19. In case a voter is unable to write his name, he shall be required to make a cross, which shall be certified by the signing of the name of the applicant by the registration clerk taking the application. A voter who is unable to sign his name shall not be permitted to mail or hand in a removal notice, as in this chapter, provided, but must appear in person to secure a removal of his name to the election register of his new voting district.

Subd. 2. Absent voter; affidavit. Any person entitled to vote at any election who is absent from the district in which he maintains his legal residence and is entitled to vote, may, up to 20 days next preceding any such election, make application in writing to the commissioner to have his name entered upon the election register of the district of his residence, by mailing to and filing with the commissioner his application and affidavit substantially in the following form:

"I, _____, being first duly sworn, on oath say *I possess the constitutional qualifications of a voter in the State of Minnesota or will possess such qualifications on the day of the next ensuing election*; that I reside at No. _____ street (or avenue), in the _____ district in the _____ ward in the city (or village) of _____; that I have not been and will not be able to be present in such municipality to register personally, for the reason that _____; that I desire to be registered in such district; that my full name is _____; I was born at _____ on _____ (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year); I have resided in the United States for _____ years and _____ months; and in the State of Minnesota for _____ years and _____ months, and in such district for _____ years, _____ months and _____ days; that I am able to read English; that at the last general election I resided at No. _____ street (or avenue), in such municipality; (the following to be omitted if native born) that I am a naturalized citizen of the United States; that my final papers were issued by the _____

(give court and place) on the _____ (give date or other particulars) _____

(Signature) _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This _____ day of _____, 19____,

Subd. 3. Mailing of forms to registrant; return of papers. If an application form, as prescribed in subdivision 2, is requested by a registrant, the commissioner shall forthwith mail to the registrant an application form and original and duplicate registration cards. The application shall be filled out and signed and sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths and the original and duplicate registration cards signed by the registrant, and sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths, and returned to the commissioner who shall complete the filling out of the original and duplicate registration cards.

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CHAPTER 419—H. F. No. 745

An act establishing the Evergreen Memorial Drive and prohibiting the erection of advertisements and signs adjacent thereto.

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

160.65. Additional trunk highways. Route 185. Section 1. That portion of Road No. 185, known as trunk highway 23 in St. Louis, Pine and Carlton Counties, is hereby named and designated as "Evergreen Memorial Drive" in memory of the World War veterans of St. Louis, Pine, and Carlton counties.

Sec. 2. No advertisement or sign shall be displayed within a distance of 300 feet from the center of the traveled part of the Evergreen Memorial Drive but this provision shall not apply within a municipality nor to any sign erected by public authority for the regulation of traffic nor to any advertisement or sign upon the wall of a building in which the goods advertised are offered for sale or the business advertised is conducted.