

This procedure shall be followed by the judges and clerks until all votes cast for every candidate for office, every group of presidential electors, and for or against every proposition voted upon shall be counted and canvassed. The tally *books* provided for in this chapter shall be furnished by the city clerk for city elections and by the county auditor for county and state elections.

At the close of such canvass, before the returns are completed, the judges and clerks shall sign a certificate on the back of each tally *book* which shall be substantially as follows:

“CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned judges and clerks of the . . . Precinct, . . . Ward, of the (City) (Village) (Town) of . . . . ., Minnesota, do hereby certify that all ballots cast at the . . . election held . . . . 19 . . . ., were carefully and properly piled, checked and counted, and that the number of votes marked opposite the respective names of the candidates, the respective groups of presidential electors, and respectively for and against the propositions voted upon correctly shows the number of votes so cast.

Signed: . . . . . Judges

Signed: . . . . . Clerks

Dated . . . . . Minnesota, . . . . ., 19 . . . .”

Approved March 8, 1949.

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CHAPTER 104—H. F. No. 477

*An act relating to possession of protected wild animals, amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 97.44, Subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 97.44, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

97.44. **Possession restricted.** Subd. 2. No person shall possess within this state any protected wild animal except during the open season and for five days thereafter, without having obtained permission from the commissioner or his authorized agent so to do, in such form as the commissioner may prescribe, and when so permitted, they may be retained *indefinitely*, subject, however, to the exceptions contained in section 100.27, subdivision 6, and section 102.23.

Approved March 8, 1949.

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#### CHAPTER 105—H. F. No. 521

*An act relating to contracts for work or purchase of property and advertising for bids; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 125.18, Subdivision 1.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 125.18, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

125.18. **Contracts.** Subdivision 1. **Advertisement for bids.** No contract for work or labor, or for the purchase of furniture, fixtures, or other property, or for the construction or repair of school houses, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed \$1,000, shall be made by the school board of any common or independent school district without first advertising for bids or proposals in some newspaper of the county by two weeks' published notice in the city or village located nearest to the school district in which the contracts are proposed to be let, or some newspaper published in the county-seat in such county; provided, that advertisements for bids for school house construction may be published in a trade journal, periodical, or magazine. Such notice shall state the time and place of receiving bids and contain a brief description of the *subject matter*.

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