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Approved April 14, 1949.

CHAPTER 407—S. F. No. 602

[Coded as Section 97.48 Subd. 23]

An act relating to protected wild animals and providing for the opening date of the seasons for the taking of same.

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

[97.48 Subd. 23] **Date of opening of season.**

Section 1. If the date of the opening of the season for the taking of any protected wild animals, except those under federal regulations, as prescribed by law falls on any day other than a Saturday, the commissioner of conservation may designate the nearest Saturday to said date as the opening day of the season.

Approved April 14, 1949.

CHAPTER 408—S. F. No. 632

[Coded as Sections 422.48 to 422.51]

An act relating to the payment of retirement allowances to employees of cities of the first class.

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

[422.48] Section 1. **Retirement allowances increased.** In any city of the first class which has heretofore adopted or which may hereafter adopt a pension system, pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Chapter 422, the retirement board in charge of the operation of such system shall increase the retirement allowances hereafter paid, which have

not been increased by legislative act subsequent to January 1, 1949, by 25 per cent or \$300 per year, whichever is the lesser.

[422.49] **Sec. 2. Method of computing and determining not changed.** Nothing in this act shall be construed to alter the method of computing and determining the amount of the retirement allowances, as provided in Minnesota Statutes 1945, Chapter 422, except that the amount so determined shall be increased by 25 per cent or \$300 per year, whichever is the lesser.

[422.50] **Sec. 3. Cost of increase determined in connection with section 422.13.** The retirement board shall annually determine the amount necessary to defray the cost of such increase and shall include this amount in the statement required by Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 422.13, to be submitted to the board of tax levy or other corresponding body, and the council, or other chief governing body of the city, in addition to all other taxes levied by such city, shall annually levy a tax for such purpose. When levied, such tax shall be extended upon the county tax list and collected and enforced in the same manner as other taxes levied by the city are extended, collected, and enforced. The proceeds of such taxes shall be paid into the city treasury to the credit of the retirement fund.

[422.51] **Sec. 4. Effective term of this act; referendum ballot.** Subdivision 1. This act shall be effective only from the period of January 1, 1949, to June 30, 1951, except as hereinafter provided, and the increases herein provided shall be effective only in those cities in which the city council or governing body shall approve the increase by a three-fourths vote of all the members of the city council or governing body.

Subd. 2. There shall be submitted to the voters of any city wherein the council or governing body makes increases in accordance with Section 4, Subdivision 1, at the time of the general state election in November, 1950, a green ballot, designated as "Referendum Ballot." Such ballot shall be submitted by such council or governing body, and shall propound the following proposition:

"Shall the increase in the Municipal Employees Pensions granted by the City Council or governing body pursuant to Laws 1949, be continued after June 30, 1951

Yes No

If more than 50 per cent of the voters, voting on the proposition, vote in the affirmative, such increase shall continue after June 30, 1951.

Approved April 14, 1949.

Chapter 409—S. F. No. 733

[Coded as Section 525.092, Subdivision 1]

An act relating to the records in the office of the clerk of probate court and providing for the destruction of certain vouchers; amending Laws 1947, Chapter 117, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1947, Chapter 117, Section 1, is amended to read:

[525.092] Section 1. Subdivision 1. **Destruction of vouchers or reports.**

The clerk of the probate court is hereby authorized to destroy all vouchers or receipts filed in estates and guardianship proceedings of record in his office after such estates or guardianships have been closed for a period of 20 years, or more, except receipts for any federal or state taxes.

Approved April 14, 1949.

CHAPTER 410—S. F. No. 892

An act relating to motor vehicle number plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 168.37, as amended.

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