

mills that the same, when added to the total number of mills of general property taxes for state purposes authorized to be imposed by all other statutes, shall not exceed 8.52 mills.

Sec. 3. Higher tax prohibited. Under no circumstances shall the state auditor certify to county auditors a higher total rate of general property tax for all state purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, than 8.69 mills, or a higher total rate of general property tax for all state purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, than 8.52 mills.

Approved April 25, 1949.

CHAPTER 746—H. F. No. 1593

[Not Coded]

An act proposing the repeal of the constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article IV, Section 32 (b), and the amendment of Article VIII, Section 2, so as to provide the manner of disposition of the principal and interest from the net proceeds of the use, sale, or other disposition of all lands.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article VIII, Section 2, is hereby proposed to the people of the state for their approval or rejection, which section when amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 2. Proposed amendment to Article VIII, Section 2. *As used in this section, "net proceeds" means income after deducting a reasonable cost to the state of administration, conservation and development. 75 per cent of the net proceeds from the use, sale, or other disposition of all lands, including swamp lands, granted to the state for the use or benefit of schools, for the University of Minnesota, or for internal improvements, shall remain perpetual trust funds, the principal of which may be invested only in bonds of the United States, the state of Minnesota, and its political subdivisions, and bonds of other states as may be provided by law.*

The income arising from the investment of the principal of these funds, after deducting the cost of administration, shall be appropriated as follows: from the school fund to the public schools; from the university fund to the University of Minnesota; from the swamp land fund, one-half to the public schools and one-half to the charitable and educational institutions of the state; and from the internal improvements fund as provided by law.

25 per cent of the net proceeds arising from the use, sale, or other disposition of all lands, including swamp lands, granted to the state, for the use or benefit of schools, for the University of Minnesota, or for internal improvements, shall be paid into a forestry revolving fund, and the principal and interest from this fund shall be used to promote a forestry management and production program and to rehabilitate cut-over timber areas in such manner as the legislature may provide.

Sec. 2. The Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article IV, Section 32 (b), is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. Proposed repeal to Article IV, Section 32(b). The proposed amendment and repeal shall be submitted to the voters of the state for their approval or rejection at the general election for the year 1950 in the manner provided by law for submission of amendments to the constitution. The ballot used at the election on the proposed amendment and repeal shall have printed thereon:

“Shall the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article IV, Section 32 (b), be repealed, and shall Article VIII, Section 2, be amended so as to provide that 75 per cent of the net proceeds from the use, sale, or other disposition of all lands shall remain perpetual trust funds, providing for the investment of the principal thereof and the disposition of the income therefrom, and further providing that 25 per cent of the net proceeds from the use, sale, or other disposition of all lands shall be paid into a forestry revolving fund, the principal and interest of which shall be used to promote a forestry management and production program and to rehabilitate cut-over timber areas in such manner as the legislature may provide?”

Approved April 18, 1949.