use of seines, nets, or any other devices, under such rules, regulations, contracts or permits as he shall prescribe. All rough fish, turtles, ciscoes, herring, whitefish and smelt so removed by the commissioner shall be disposed of in such form and in such manner as he, by regulation, contract or permit shall prescribe. The provisions of this subdivision shall supersede the provisions of Laws 1939, Chapter 431, as amended, so far as applicable to the letting or making of contracts for taking or sale of rough fish or other species hereunder. In awarding any contract for the removal of such rough fish or other species. the commissioner shall take into consideration the qualifications of the applicant, his equipment, his knowledge of the affected waters, and his general ability to perform the work well, and in view thereof shall fix the contractor's compensation at such rate or rates as the commissioner deems reasonable without competitive bidding. The provisions of this subdivision are subject to the provisions of section 97.486 relating to the sale of such rough fish or other species and to payment to the state therefor.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 97.486, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

97.486 **Rough fish taken under contract or permit, sale.** Subdivision 1. The commissioner of conservation of the state of Minnesota shall grant any person engaged in taking rough fish under contract or under permit the right to sell any or all of said rough fish so taken by him to such persons and for such prices and on such terms as he sees fit, subject to such conditions as may be contained in the contract pertaining to the payment for such fish to the state, and subject further to any other regulation imposed by the commissioner.

Approved May 3, 1963.

CHAPTER 483-S. F. No. 1152

An act relating to regulation of the sale and distribution of mixed fertilizers and fertilizers; changing certain provisions relating to fees; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Sections 17.204, Subdivision 1; and 17.206, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 17.204, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

17.204 Fertilizers; sale and distribution; registration of

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Each brand and grade of brands and grades. Subdivision 1. commercial fertilizer shall be registered before being offered for sale, sold, or distributed in this state. The application for registration shall be submitted in duplicate to the commissioner on forms furnished by the commissioner, and shall be accompanied by a remittance of \$1 per brand and grade for a registration fee, except that. Except as provided in this section, the applicant shall pay any or all of the following annual license fees before a brand or grade may be registered: (1) A fee of \$50 for each fixed location within Minnesota from which registered brands or grades are to be shipped. Any number of registered brands or grades may be shipped from a fixed location for which this license fee has been paid; (2) a total fee of \$50 for all fixed locations outside of the state from which registered brands or grades are to be shipped into this state. Any number of registered brands or grades may be shipped from fixed locations outside of the state upon payment of this fee for fixed locations outside of the state. An applicant licensed under Minnesota Statutes, Section 17.206, Subdivision 3, shall pay only those fees required by section 17.206, subdivision 3, before the applicant's brands or grades are registered. Those brands and grades sold only in packages of 25 pounds or less shall be registered and inspected for a the fee of \$25 each set forth in Minnesota Statutes, Section 17.206, Subdivision 1. Upon approval by the commissioner a copy of the registration shall be furnished to the applicant. All registrations and licenses expire on June 30 of each year. A distributor who blends or mixes fertilizer material to a customer's order without a guaranteed analysis of the mixture shall be licensed as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 17,206, Subdivision 3.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 17.206, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

17.206 Inspection fee. Subdivision 1. There shall be paid to the commissioner for all commercial fertilizers offered for sale, sold, or distributed in this state an inspection fee at the rate of five ten cents per ton; provided, that products sold to manufacturers or exchanged between them are hereby exempted when used exclusively for manufacturing purposes; and provided further that, on individual packages of commercial fertilizer containing 25 pounds or less, there shall be paid in lieu of the annual registration license fee of \$1 per brand \$50 and the five ten cents per ton inspection fee, an annual registration fee and inspection fee of \$25 for each brand and grade sold or distributed. If a person sells commercial fertilizer in packages of 25 pounds or less, and in packages over 25 pounds, the annual registration and inspection fee of \$25 shall apply only to those brands and grades sold in packages of 25 pounds

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or less, and those brands and grades sold in packages over 25 pounds shall be subject to the inspection fee of five *ten* cents per ton as provided in this section. Fees so collected shall be paid into the state treasury.

Sec. 3. This act takes effect on July 1, 1963.

Approved May 3, 1963.

CHAPTER 484—S. F. No. 1181

An act relating to the conversion of a state chartered savings and loan association into a federal savings and loan association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 51.41.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 51.41, is amended to read:

51.41 Federal savings and loan associations; conversion from state association. Any association, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this state, is hereby authorized and empowered, by majority vote of its outstanding eapital stock, according to the book value thereof; present all votes cast, in person or by proxy, at any meeting of its shareholders, duly called for that purpuse, to convert itself into a federal savings and loan association, as provided in that certain act of congress known as the home owners' loan act of 1933.

Approved May 3, 1963.

CHAPTER 485-S. F. No. 1299

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An act to validate contracts heretofore entered into and warrants heretofore issued by the county board of Wabasha county for county roads and to authorize the county board to issue and sell bonds of the county to provide money for the county road and bridge fund.

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

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