

who shall violate any of the provisions of this act two or more times shall be deemed guilty of a gross misdemeanor for each of such subsequent offenses.

Approved March 24, 1945.

CHAPTER 142—S. F. No. 581

An act relating to county tuberculosis sanatoriums; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 376.20, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 140.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 376.20, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 140, is amended to read as follows :

“376.20. Sanatorium commission to fix amount necessary for maintenance; limitation. The county sanatorium commission shall determine by resolution each year prior to July *first*, the amount of money necessary for the maintenance of such sanatorium during the following year and a certified copy of such resolution shall be forthwith forwarded to the board or boards of county commissioners, and such board or boards shall at the regular meeting in July include the properly approved and apportioned amount in the annual levy of county taxes. In no case shall the amount of such levy in any one year exceed *three* mills on the dollar of assessed valuation.

In no case shall the total levy made for all purposes as expressed in *Sections 376.19 and 376.20*, in any one year exceed *three* mills on the assessed valuation without authority conferred by a vote of the voters of said county or groups of counties.”

Approved March 24, 1945.

CHAPTER 143—S. F. No. 479

An act relating to telephone companies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 237.23.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 237.23 is amended to read as follows :

“237.23. Companies given right to purchase property of other companies with consent of commission. It shall be unlawful for any telephone company, *corporation, person, partnership or association* subject to the provisions of this chapter to purchase or acquire the property, capital stock, bonds, securities or other obligations, or the franchises, rights, privileges and immunities of any telephone company doing business within the state without first obtaining the consent of the commission thereto; and telephone companies, *corporations, persons, partnership or associations* are hereby given the right with the consent of the commission to purchase and acquire the property, capital stock, bonds, securities or other obligations together with all franchises, rights, privileges and immunities owned or enjoyed by said companies. The owner and the proposed purchaser of said property shall both join in the application filed with the commission for the approval of such transfer, and in the case of a corporation desiring to sell all of its property it shall require a vote of a majority of its stockholders to ratify the same. Telephone companies may sell and dispose of any property not used by said telephone companies in the conduct of their business at the time of the sale without the consent of the commission.

Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the holding of stock heretofore lawfully acquired or to prevent the acquisition of additional stock by any telephone company owning a majority of the stock of any telephone company.”

Approved March 24, 1945.

CHAPTER 144—S. F. No. 405

An act relating to the appointment and qualifications of deputy coroners; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 390.05.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 390.05 is hereby amended to read as follows :

“390.05. Deputies. Every coroner shall appoint one or more deputies who, in the absence or inability of the coroner to act, shall have the same powers and be subject to the same liabilities as coroners. Each deputy shall be appointed in