

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 16.07, is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

Subd. 10. Auction in lieu of bids. The commissioner of administration in lieu of advertising for bids may sell buildings owned by the state and not needed for public purposes at public auction to the highest responsible bidder. Such sale shall be made after publication of notice thereof in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the property is located for at least two successive weeks and such other advertising as the commissioner of administration may direct. If the sale is made at public auction a duly licensed auctioneer shall be retained to conduct such sale, his fees for such service to be paid from the proceeds, and there is appropriated from such proceeds an amount sufficient to pay such fees.

Approved April 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 168—S. F. No. 479

[Not Coded]

An act authorizing the sale of wetlands stamps by the Commissioner of Conservation.

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

Section 1. **Wetlands stamps, sale.** The commissioner of conservation may sell unissued 1957 wetlands stamps at a price of \$1 per stamp. The receipts from such sales shall be credited by the state treasurer to the Wildlife Acquisition Fund.

Approved April 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 169—S. F. No. 1011

[Not Coded]

An act to authorize the City of Duluth to establish by ordinance a procedure permitting extension of time over a period of not more than 15 years for the payment of special assessments levied against property benefited by local improvements, and for the issue and sale of extended assessment certificates in anticipation of the collection of such special assessments.

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

Section 1. **Duluth, special assessments.** Notwithstanding any provision contained in its charter, the city of Duluth is hereby authorized to establish by ordinance a procedure permitting extension of time over a period of not more than 15 years for the payment of special assessments levied against property benefited by local improvements, and for the issue and sale of extended assessment certificates in anticipation of the collection of such special assessments upon compliance with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. Whenever the governing body of the city of Duluth shall cause to be made any local improvement authorized by law, or by its charter, the owner or lessee of the property to be assessed for such improvement may apply in writing to the city council, or to an officer of the city to be designated by the council, for permission to pay such assessment by annual installments over a period of time not exceeding 15 years. Except as in this act otherwise specifically provided, applications for extension of time in which to pay special assessments shall be governed by the provisions of the charter of such city.

Sec. 3. In determining the period of time during which an assessment or assessments may be made payable by installments, the council of such city may take into account such factors, among others, as the nature or type of the local improvement involved, and the aggregate amount of the special assessment or assessments levied or assessed against the property specially benefited by the improvement.

Sec. 4. The permanent improvement revolving fund of the city of Duluth as established by the charter thereof is hereby confirmed and continued. The permanent improvement revolving fund shall not be supported by taxation. There shall be paid into this fund moneys received on special assessments heretofore or hereafter levied by the city for local improvements. The council may, by resolution, determine the aggregate amount of the assessments for local improvements which in its judgment will be extended for payment, as aforesaid, but in no case shall such aggregate amount exceed 75 percent of the total estimated cost of such improvement, and order the issuance and sale of extended assessment certificates representing such aggregate sum, which shall entitle the holder thereof to demand and receive from the city of Duluth, upon the surrender of such certificates to the treasurer on or after the date of payment thereof, the amount of money named to be paid therein, with the rate of interest stipulated to be paid thereon to the due date thereof, and not after such date. Such certificates may be issued in such amounts and become due on such dates as the council may determine, but none of the same shall

be payable more than 15 years from the date of the same. The proceeds of the sale of such certificates shall be paid into the permanent improvement revolving fund. Such certificates shall bear a rate of interest not exceeding six percent per annum. The council may, in its discretion, either sell such certificates direct to investors or may contract for the sale of all such certificates that may be issued during any calendar year. No sale of such certificates, by contract, shall be made except after advertising for bids at least one week prior to sale in the official newspaper of the city, and such sales shall be made to the highest responsible bidder. Bids may be asked on the basis of a rate of interest specified in the proposals and on the net interest basis on which the bidder will pay par for the same.

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Duluth.

Approved April 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 170—S. F. No. 61

[Coded]

An act to regulate the sale and distribution of commercial feeds and customer-formula feeds; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 25.01 to 25.14.

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

Section 1. [25.15] **Title.** This Act shall be known and cited as the "Commercial Feed Law".

Sec. 2. [25.16] **Enforcing official.** The Commercial Feed Law shall be administered by the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, Dairy and Food hereinafter referred to as the "commissioner".

Sec. 3. [25.17] **Definitions.** Subdivision 1. When used in the Commercial Feed Law the term:

Subd. 2. "person" includes individual, partnership, corporation and association.

Subd. 3. "distribute" means to offer for sale, sell, barter, or otherwise supply commercial feeds or customer-formula feeds. The term "distributor" means any person who distributes.

Subd. 4. "sell" or "sale" includes exchange.