

*at the discretion of the managers, which appointees shall be residents of the district, and shall serve during the pleasure of the managers. The committee shall advise and assist the managers upon all matters affecting the interests of the district, and shall make recommendations to the managers upon all contemplated projects and works of improvement within the district.*

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CHAPTER 248—S. F. No. 721

*An act relating to procedure for establishment of a watershed district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 112.37, Subdivisions 1, 3, and 4.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 112.37, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**112.37 Procedure for establishment.** Subdivision 1. Proceedings for the establishment of a watershed district shall be initiated only by the filing of a nominating petition with the secretary of the board, which nominating petition shall be signed either by not less than 25 percent of the resident freeholders of the proposed district, *exclusive of the resident freeholders within the corporate limits of any city, village or borough on whose behalf the authorized officials have signed the petition*, or by the authorized officials of any county, city, village, and borough authorized by resolution duly passed by the governing body thereof, and, if signed by one or more counties, or by three or more cities, villages, and boroughs, the same need not be signed by any of the freeholders of the proposed district, which petition shall set forth the following:

- (1) The name of the proposed district;
- (2) The necessity for the district, and why it would be conducive to public health and public welfare, or accomplish any of the purposes of a watershed district;
- (3) A statement in general terms setting forth the purpose of the contemplated improvements, the territory to be included in the district, and all proposed subdivisions thereof, if any, of the district;
- (4) The number of managers proposed for the dis-

trict. The managers shall be not less than three nor more than five and be selected from a list of ten nominees. They shall be selected as representative of the local units of government affected and none shall be a public officer of the county, state, or federal government;

(5) A map of the proposed district;

(6) A request for the organization of the district as proposed.

The petitioners shall cause to be served upon the county auditor or auditors of the counties affected by the proposed district, the commissioner, and the director, a copy of said nominating petition, and proof of service thereof shall be attached to the original petition, to be filed with the secretary of the board.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 112.37, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Upon receipt of a copy of the nominating petition by the director he shall

(1) Acknowledge receipt thereof to the board;

(2) Prepare a preliminary watershed map of the proposed district showing the natural boundaries and subdivisions thereof;

(3) Prepare a preliminary report based upon the nominating petition and other available data, stating his opinion as to the *desirability of organizing* the district, and submit his report to the board with such recommendation as he may deem proper, which report shall be submitted to the board within 30 days from the date of the service of the petition upon the director, unless such time is extended by the board.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 112.37, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. At the time of filing the nominating petition, or before notice of a hearing thereon is given, a bond shall be filed by the petitioners with the board, to be approved by it, in such sum as the board shall determine. *Such bond shall be so conditioned that the petitioners, in case the petition is dismissed or denied, will pay all costs and expenses arising therefrom. If at any time during the proceedings the board deems it necessary to require an additional bond, it may by its order so direct. In such event no further proceedings shall be had until such additional bond is filed. No bond shall be re-*

*quired when the petition is signed by a county board or the governing body of three or more cities, villages, or boroughs.*

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CHAPTER 249—S. F. No. 726

*An act relating to terms of district court; providing for the correction of provisions of Minnesota Statutes in relation thereto; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 484.09, 484.10, 484.11, 484.12, 484.13, 484.14, 484.15, 484.16, 484.17, 484.18, 484.19, Subdivision 1, 484.20, 484.21, 484.22, 484.23, 484.24, 484.25, 484.26, and 484.27.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 484.09, is amended to read:

**484.09 Dakota and Goodhue Counties.** General terms of district court in the counties *named in this section* shall be held each year at the time herein specified:

**Dakota County:** The second Monday in January, the first Monday in April, and the second Monday in November.

**Goodhue County:** The second Monday in February, the second Monday in May, and the first Monday in October.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 484.10, is amended to read:

**484.10 Ramsey County.** General terms of district court in the county *named in this section* shall be held each year at the time herein specified:

**Ramsey County:** The first Monday in October.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 484.11, is amended to read:

**484.11 Houston and other counties.** General terms of district court in the counties *named in this section* shall be held each year at the times herein specified:

**Houston County:** On the third Monday in May and the fourth Monday in October.

**Olmsted County:** On the first Monday in January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, November, and December.