

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 88.09, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Purchase, lease or condemnation.** The commissioner is also authorized on behalf of the state, where no suitable state lands are available, to purchase, lease or acquire easements on small tracts or parcels of lands, not exceeding 40 acres in area, or costing more than \$1500 for any single tract, to be used as locations for watch towers, warehouses, or other buildings of any kind, or as locations for fire-breaks, or for any other use in connection with his duties; also to acquire by condemnation any tract of land, not exceeding 40 acres, for these purposes; also to acquire, by gift, purchase, or condemnation, any easement or right of way that may be necessary to provide access to any tract of land so acquired.

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CHAPTER 472—H. F. No. 1304

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An act relating to control or destruction of harmful or undesirable aquatic vegetation or organisms in public waters; authorizing cities, villages, boroughs and towns to levy taxes and appropriate money therefor.

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

Section 1. [111.81] **Harmful or undesirable vegetation or organisms, municipal control.** [Subdivision 1.] The governing body of any city, village, borough, or town may expend funds for the control or destruction of harmful or undesirable aquatic vegetation or organisms in public waters and may cooperate with other such governing bodies and any landowners in such control or destruction. No such control or destruction shall be started unless a permit therefor has been issued by the commissioner of conservation pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 98.48, Subdivision 9, and all work shall be done in accordance with the terms and conditions of such permit.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] The governing body of any city, village, borough, or town may use any available funds and may levy a special tax of not to exceed two mills, nor 50 cents per capita, in any year in addition to all other taxes authorized by law, to carry out the provisions of sections 1 to 4.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] To provide funds for such activities in advance of collection of the tax levies under section 2, the governing body may, at any time after the tax has been levied and certified to the county auditor for collection, issue certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the collection and payment of such tax. The total amount of such certificates, including principal and interest, shall not exceed 90 percent of the amount of such levy and shall be payable from the proceeds of such levy and not later than two years from the date of issuance. They shall be issued on such terms and conditions as the governing body may determine and shall be sold as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60. If the governing body determines that an emergency exists, it may make appropriations from the proceeds of such certificates for authorized purposes without complying with statutory or charter provisions requiring that expenditures be based on a prior budget authorization or other budgeting requirement.

Sec. 4. [Subd. 4.] The proceeds of any tax levied under section 2 or of any issue of certificates of indebtedness under section 3 shall be deposited in a separate fund and expended only for purposes authorized by sections 1 to 4. If no disbursement is made from the fund for a period of five years, any moneys remaining therein may be transferred to the general fund.

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CHAPTER 473—H. F. No. 884

An act relating to the use of state-owned lands; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 89.17 and 92.50, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 89.17, is amended to read:

89.17 Leases. The director, with the approval of the commissioner, shall have power to grant and execute, in the name of the state, leases and permits for the use of any state forest lands for any purpose which in his opinion is not inconsistent with the maintenance and management of the state forest in which the land is situated, on forestry principles for timber production. Every such lease or permit shall be revocable at his discretion at any time subject to such conditions as may be agreed upon in the lease. The approval of the com-