

the fund shall be insufficient therefor, he shall himself pay the required additional amount to his employer for the full retro-active period.

Sec. 2. *This act shall become effective coincident with the effective date of state legislation amending the state employees retirement law so as to make Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 352.61 to 352.69, applicable to employees of the Minnesota historical society; the state horticultural society; the disabled American veterans, department of Minnesota; the veterans of foreign wars, department of Minnesota; and the Minnesota crop improvement association.*

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 514—H. F. No. 1729

An act relating to drainage ditches and petitions therefor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 106.031, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 106.031, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Form.** Before any public drainage system or other improvement authorized by sections 106.011 to 106.661 is established, a petition therefor shall be filed with the county auditor, if for a drainage system entirely within one county, or with the clerk of the district court, if for a drainage system within two or more counties. Such petition shall be signed by not less than a majority of the resident owners of the land described in the petition or by the owners of at least 60 percent of the area of such land, *exclusive of the holder of easements for electric or telephone transmission and distribution lines.* The lands described in the petition shall be those over which the proposed ditch passes or upon which the improvement is located, and the petition shall set forth the description of such lands and shall set forth the necessity for the ditch or improvement, and that the same will be of public benefit and utility and will promote the public health, with the description of the starting point, the general course, and terminus or location of the same. The petition shall state that the petitioners will pay all costs and expenses which may be incurred in case the proceedings are dismissed or for any reason no contract for the construction thereof is let. Such petition

may be signed by the authorized representative of any municipal corporation or by the commissioner of highways, or the authorized agent of any public institution or any corporation which may be affected by or assessed for the proposed construction; but in such case, the signature of such representatives, commissioner, agent, or corporation shall each count only as one signature on the petition. Each ditch proceeding shall be designated by number assigned by the auditor or clerk.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 515—H. F. No. 841

[Coded]

An act relating to licenses to operate motor vehicles upon the public highways.

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

Section 1. [171.29] **Revoked licenses; examination for new license.** [Subdivision 1.] No person whose drivers license has been revoked by reason of conviction, plea of guilty, or forfeiture of bail not vacated, upon three charges of careless or reckless driving, committed within a period of 12 months, or a person who is convicted of a charge of driving under the influence of alcoholic beverage or narcotic drug, shall be issued another license unless and until he shall have successfully passed an examination as required for an initial license.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] Any person who is required to take an examination as provided in section 1 shall pay a fee of \$2.50 for each examination.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 516—S. F. No. 793

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An act to accept the provisions of Public Law 531, an act of the 83rd Congress of the United States entitled "An act to authorize cooperative research in education", approved July 26, 1954.