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nance of the easements and rights of way to the sites. The county board and town board may expend money from their respective road and bridge funds for such maintenance in accordance with the agreement.

[For text of subds 16 to 24, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 25. The commissioner may, for purposes of identification, post any land under his jurisdiction acquired for public hunting grounds, food and cover planting areas, game refuges, wildlife lands and conservation area lands, so as to indicate the management purpose thereof.

[1975 c 167 s 1; 1975 c 353 s 16-18]

[For text of subds 26 to 28, see M.S.1974]

97.481 Acquisition of wildlife lands.

The commissioner of natural resources is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, in the name of the state, by gift, lease, purchase and transfer of state lands, any such wildlife lands, such as marsh or wetlands, and the margins thereof, including ponds, small lakes and stream bottom lands, which he finds desirable to acquire in the interests of water conservation relating to wildlife development programs, and, he may also acquire for this purpose from any state agency, itself included, lands now in state ownership or tax-forfeited which are suitable for wildlife purposes, and when such lands are so acquired, he is authorized to develop the same in the interest of wildlife, recreational or public hunting areas as he shall deem desirable. No such lands shall be acquired until first approved for such purchase, or lease, by a majority of the members of the board of county commissioners in the counties where the land to be purchased, or leased, is located. In the counties in which a soil and water conservation district is organized the supervisors will act as counsellors to the board of county commissioners regarding the best utilization and capability of the land proposed for purchase, including the questions of drainage and flood control. The commissioner in the purchase of such wetlands must recognize that when a majority of land owners, or owners of a majority of the land in the watershed, petition for a drainage outlet, that the state should not interfere, or unnecessarily delay such drainage proceedings when such proceedings are conducted according to the Minnesota Drainage Code. In no case should state lands, so purchased, or leased, be used to produce crops which are in a surplus as defined by the federal government unless such crops are needed to sustain wildlife. No lands described herein shall be acquired unless there is acquired simultaneously therewith a right-of-way or easement from said lands to a public road so as to make entry upon said lands available to the public. The commissioner may designate lands or interests in lands acquired pursuant to this section as wildlife management areas for the purposes of the outdoor recreation system.

[1975 c 353 s 19]

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98.46 Fees.

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Subd. 5. Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to residents only, shall be:

(1) To spear fish from a dark house, \$3;

(2) For any fish house or dark house used during the winter fishing season, \$3 for each fish house or dark house not rented or offered for hire, and \$6 for each fish house or dark house rented or offered for hire. Each such fish house or dark house shall have attached to the outside a metal tag at least two inches in diameter with a 3/16 inch hole in the center, which will be issued with a license. Each metal tag shall be stamped with a number to correspond with the fish house or dark house license and also shall be stamped with the year of issuance. The metal tag shall be attached to the fish house or dark house as designated by commissioner's order;

(3) To net whitefish, tullibees or herring from inland lakes or international waters, for domestic use only, for each net, \$1;

(4) To conduct a taxidermist business, \$2;

(5) To maintain fur and game farms, including deer, \$5;

(6) To take mussels or clams, \$5;

(7) To take, transport, purchase and possess for sale unprocessed turtles and tortoises within the state, \$25;

(8) To prepare dressed game fish shipments for nonresidents as provided by section 97.45, subdivision 6, as amended, \$10;

(9) Itinerant minnow dealer, \$15 plus \$10 for each vehicle;

(10) Itinerant minnow dealer's helper, \$2.50 for each helper. Itinerant minnow dealer's helpers' licenses shall be issued to the itinerant minnow dealer and are transferable by the dealer at will to his own helpers;

(11) Exporting minnow dealer, \$200, plus \$10 for one vehicle only. No licenses to transport fathead minnows beyond the boundaries of the state will be issued for 1961 calendar year after the effective date of Laws 1961, Chapter 477, and the number issued prior to the effective date of Laws 1961, Chapter 477 will not be exceeded in subsequent years. The renewal of such existing licenses will be reserved through April 1 of the following year; licenses not so renewed will not be made available until the total number has been reduced to below 35 licenses.

Each vehicle license shall cover a specific truck, tractor-trailer, or semitrailer, the serial number, license number, make, and model shall be specified on the license which must be conspicuously posted in the vehicle licensed. No vehicle shall be licensed if the maximum tank capacity exceeds 300 cubic feet, inside measurement, and unless it complies with reasonable regulations adopted pursuant to the provisions of section 101.42, subdivision 5.

The exporting minnow dealer's license and vehicle license are void upon the sale of the business or death of the licensee. Provided, however, a succeeding owner of the business upon meeting the required qualifications will be issued the required licenses upon application and payment therefor. In the event of the death of the licensee the administrator or executor of the estate may purchase such licenses and operate the business until the sale thereof. If there is no estate then the widow or a member of the immediate family, if qualified, will be issued the re-

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quired licenses upon application and payment therefor.

[1975 c 107 s 2]

[For text of subds 6 to 24, see M.S.1974]

98.48 Special permits.

[For text of subds 1 to 11, see M.S.1974]

Subd. 12. The commissioner may issue special permits, without fee, to shoot or hunt from a standing vehicle, to licensed hunters who are physically unable to walk because of a permanent disability; provided however that any such permittees shall be subject to all laws, rules, regulations and orders for the taking of game which are not inconsistent with this subdivision. A disability once established as permanent shall qualify an applicant for a permanent permit pursuant to this subdivision.

[1975 c 296 s 1]

[For text of subds 13 to 15, see M.S.1974]

98.51 Reports and records.

Subdivision 1. When requested to do so by the commissioner, any person who has taken any protected quadruped or bird shall on or before the last day of January each year, mail or deliver to the commissioner a written report on a form furnished him, stating the number and kind of each protected quadruped or bird taken during the preceding calendar year.

[1975 c 167 s 2]

[For text of subds 2 and 3, see M.S.1974]

CHAPTER 99. GAME REFUGES, GAME AND FUR FARMS

Sec. 99.251 Maintenance of cemetery in whitewater wildlife management area.

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The commissioner of natural resources of the state of Minnesota shall keep and maintain in a proper and decent manner and keep free of weeds any cemetery in the Whitewater state wildlife management area.

[1975 c 353 s 20]

CHAPTER 100. QUADRUPEDS, BIRDS

100.26 Unprotected animals.

100.27 Seasons. 100.29 Restrictions and prohibitions.

100.26 Unprotected animals.

Subdivision 1. Weasel, wild cat, lynx, wolves other than timber wolves, foxes, gophers, porcupines, badgers, and all other quadrupeds for which no closed season or other protection is accorded by chapters 97 to 102, are unprotected animals and may be taken either in the daytime or at night, and in any