

variety wish to offer his hybrid seed for sale or distribution in this state, such a person, firm, originator, or owner not having distributed any of his products in Minnesota during the past 10 years, or not having any record of testing by an agency acceptable to the commissioner, then after registration of such variety the commissioner is required to have such variety tested for one year by the director of the Minnesota Experiment Station before it may be distributed in Minnesota. Should any person, firm, originator, or owner of a seed field corn grain variety be convicted of two successive violations of this act with respect to the declaration of maturity date and zone number, then such violator must commence a program of pretesting for varieties as determined by the commissioner. The list of varieties to be used as standards in each growing zone shall be sent by the commissioner not later than February 1 of each year to each seed firm registering hybrid varieties with the commissioner as of the previous April 1. To assist in defraying the expenses of the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station in ~~making such tests~~ carrying out the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 21.54, and acts amendatory thereof, there shall be transferred annually from the seed act account to the Agricultural Experiment Station the sum of ~~\$12,500~~ \$18,000.

Sec. 5. *Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 21.54, Subdivision 4, is repealed.*

Sec. 6. *This act shall be effective on July 1, 1961.*

Approved May 11, 1961.

EXTRA SESSION

CHAPTER 7—H. F. No. 16

[Coded]

An act relating to highways, authorizing counties to issue and sell bonds, the proceeds thereof to be expended on the county state-aid highway system.

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

Section 1. [163.21] **County bond issue.** [Subdivision 1.] Except as otherwise provided herein, any county may, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, issue and sell its obligations, the total amount thereof not to

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exceed the total of the preceding two years state-aid allotments, for the purpose of establishing, locating, relocating, constructing, reconstructing, and improving county state-aid highways therein. In the resolution providing for the issuance of the obligations, the county board of the county shall irrevocably pledge and appropriate to the sinking fund from which the obligations are payable, an amount of the moneys allotted or to be allotted to the county from its account in the county state-aid highway fund sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on the obligations as they respectively come due. The obligations shall be issued in the amounts and on terms such that the amount of principal and interest due in any calendar year on the obligations, including any similar obligations of the county which are outstanding, shall not exceed 50 percent of the amount of the last annual allotment preceding the bond issue received by the county from the construction account in the county state-aid highway fund. All interest on the obligations shall be paid out of the county's normal maintenance account in the county state-aid highway fund. The obligations may be made general obligations, but if moneys of the county other than moneys received from the county state-aid highway fund, are used for payment of the obligations, the moneys so used shall be restored to the appropriate fund from the moneys next received by the county from the construction or maintenance account in the county state-aid highway fund which are not required to be paid into a sinking fund for obligations.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] Obligations issued hereunder may be authorized by resolution of the county board without authorization by the electors, and shall not be included in the net debt of the county for the purpose of any statutory limitation on indebtedness. Expenditures made from the proceeds of the obligations shall not be considered as part of the cost of government of the county within the meaning of any statutory limitation on expenditures.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] Moneys received from the sale of the obligations shall be spent only in accordance with other provisions of law and the rules and regulations of the highway commissioner relating to the establishment, location, relocation, construction, reconstruction, and improvement of county state-aid highways within the county issuing the obligations.

Sec. 4. [Subd. 4.] On or before March 1 of each year, any county issuing and selling bonds shall certify to the

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commissioner the amount of money required for the payment of principal and interest on the obligations. Upon receipt thereof, the commissioner shall certify to the state auditor the sum of money needed for the principal and interest, provided that the amount certified by the commissioner shall not exceed the limit heretofore specified. The state auditor shall thereupon issue a warrant in the amount certified payable to the county treasurer of the county, and the amount thereof shall be deposited by the county treasurer in the sinking fund from which the obligations are payable.

Sec. 5. [Subd. 5.] The powers granted in this section are in addition to all powers granted by other laws.

Approved May 17, 1961.

EXTRA SESSION

CHAPTER 8—H. F. No. 53

[Not Coded]

An act relating to tax-forfeited lands in the county of Lake.

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

Section 1. **Lake county; tax forfeited lands; lease.**
Subdivision 1. For the purpose of promoting development and use of the timber resources in the county of Lake, the county auditor thereof as directed by the county board thereof, may lease for a period not exceeding 50 years, subject to renewal ten years before expiration any tax-forfeited land which has been classified as conservation or non-conservation, to individuals or corporations at public or private vendue, and at such prices and upon such terms as the county board may specify, provided that any lease made under authority of this section shall be subject also to the following terms and conditions, to wit:

1. The individual or corporation seeking to lease tax-forfeited land under authority of this section shall file with the county board a written proposal which shall set forth the following:

(a) A complete description of the lands proposed to be leased;

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