and the probable cost thereof and other pertinent information shall be furnished. At such hearing, signers of such petition may withdraw their names therefrom, and others may add their names thereto. If, when such hearing has been completed and closed, owners of lands which will be subject to assessments aggregating fifty-one percent or more of the cost of cleaning out or repairing such drain, have signed the original petition, it shall be the duty of the board to cause such drain to be cleaned out and repaired.

Section 7. Repeal.) Section 61-2142 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 as amended be and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. EMERGENCY.) This Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 11, 1949.

# WEEDS

#### CHAPTER 352

House Bill No. 100
(Moerke, Gumeringer, Benson, Bentz, Thompson of McLean,
Haugen of McLean and Mollett)

# CUTTING WEEDS AND GRASSES ALONG TOWNSHIP HIGHWAYS

#### AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Chapter 334, Session Laws of 1945, number 63.0306 of the 1947 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, relative to the cutting of weeds and grasses along township highways; charging the expense to adjoining owners; defining a running mile.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

Section 1. Amendment.) That section 2 of Chapter 334, Session Laws of 1945 numbered 63-0306 of the 1947 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

2. If any land owner or tenant shall fail to cut the weeds and grasses along township highways, between September fifteenth and October first, unless by special permission from the township Board of Supervisors, it shall be the duty of the township board of supervisors of such organized townships and Board of County Commissioners in unorganized townships, to cause such weeds and grasses to be cut between October first and November first of each year, and the expense of cutting such weeds and grasses in each organized township shall be certified to the county auditor by the clerk thereof, and all of such charges in organized and unorganized townships shall be charged against the land of the land owner thus failing to cut such weeds and grasses and shall become a part of the taxes to be levied against such land for the ensuing year and shall be collected in the same manner as other real estate taxes are now collected, and placed to the credit of the respective subdivisions entitled thereto. This Act shall not apply to any county, state, and federal highways. The amount charged against the adjoining owner shall not exceed the sum of \$15.00 per running mile, a running mile being defined as one side of such highway for the distance of one mile.

Approved February 15, 1949.

### CHAPTER 353

Senate Bill No. 140 (Olson of Mountrail and Solberg)

#### SPRAYING OF WEEDS ALONG TOWNSHIP ROADS

## AN ACT

To provide for the spraying of weeds along township roads and authorizing the expenditure of township funds for that purpose.

Bc It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

Section 1. Spraying of Weeds.) The township supervisors in organized townships and the county commissioners in unorganized townships, may annually, during the month of June. spray with an approved chemical spray for the eradication of weeds, all township roads and highways.

Section 2. Payment, Expense Incurred.) The expense incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be paid out of any funds raised by tax levy in organized or unorganized townships, including moneys in the road and bridge fund.

Approved March 8, 1949.