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CHAPTER 93.

An act to authorize cities and villages having a population of less than fifty thousand (50,000) to accept proposed donations for public librairies and authorizing such cities or villages to secure sites therefor and otherwise comply with the terms of said proposed donation, and to levy taxes therefor and to pass control of such sites to the library board of such city or village.

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

SECTION I. That whenever any incorporated city or village in this state having a population of less than fifty thousand (50,000) shall receive from any person, company or corporation a proposition to build, erect or construct a public library building, or to give or donate a sum of money for the purpose of the construction and erection of such public library building, the erection or construction of which public library building, or the donation of which sum of money for such purpose, is conditioned upon the securing by such city or village of a site for such public library building, as an annual tax or appropriation by such city or village for the maintenance of such library: that said city or village and the councils and governing bodies thereof be and they hereby are authorized to secure and take title to such tracts or parcels of land as they deem necessary and suitable for the site of such public library building, and by ordinance or ordinances, to be passed and enacted as other ordinances of said village or city are required to be passed and enacted. to pledge such city or village and the governing bodies thereof to annually thereafter levy and appropriate for the purpose of maintenance of such public library a sum not exceeding one and one-half mills on the dollar of and on all the taxable property of such city or village. A11 ordinances so enacted pledging such city or village to whom such proposition for the erection of a public library building, or the donation of money therefor shall be made to the annual appropriation of a sum of money not exceeding one and one-half mills on the dollar on the taxable property of such city or village, be and the same are hereby authorized, legalized and validated, anything in the laws or statutes of the State of Minnesota, or the special laws or statutes under which any of such cities or villages are incorporated, to the contrary notwithstanding. And the city council or governing body of such incorporated city or village is hereby authorized and empowered to levy

H. F. No. 595.

Public libraries in cities with less than 50,000 population.

When proposition to creet building or donate money is made.

Authorized to secure site and pledge future tax levy. such tax for the support of such library property, not to exceed in any one year one and one-half mill on the dollar on all the taxable property of such city or village for the maintenance of such library.

SEC. 2. When said city or village shall have acquired title to said tract or tracts of land for such library, such city or village council or other governing body may by ordinance or resolution duly transfer all control of such library property to the board of directors of its library board in any such city or village, and the said board of directors shall thereafter have the care and control of such library and property under the provisions of chapter 106 of the General Laws of 1879 and amendments thereto.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1901.

S. F. No. 53.

\$495 for relief of John C. Devereux.

CHAPTER 94.

An act for the relief of John C. Devereux.

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

SECTION I. That there shall be allowed and paid to John C. Devereux, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, in full of all claim that he has against the State of Minnesota, for services as drillmaster and teacher of a military school at Fort Snelling, between the 6th day of July, A. D. 1861, and the 13th day of October, 1861, four hundred and ninety-five dollars, being compensation at the rate of five dollars per day in fulfillment of a special agreement, made by the adjutant general and acting quartermaster general of Minnesota, at the time he entered upon the performance of said services.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 28, 1901.

City may transfer control to libra ry board.