act the premium therefor shall be paid out of the proper appropriation of such department, and such insurance shall be deemed full compliance with any provision of law requiring any such official or employe to give bond to the state for the faithful discharge of duty. If group insurance is provided covering the personnel of any department or agency all individual fidelity bonds covering such officers or employes theretofore bonded shall be canceled and a proportionate part of the premium paid therefor refunded.

Sec. 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 19, 1929.

CHAPTER 264-H. F. No. 185

An act to amend General Statutes 1923, Sections 10163, 10164 and 10165, relating to public dances.

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

Section 1. Issuance of permit.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 10163, be amended to read as follows:

"10163. In all cities, villages and boroughs of this state said permit must be procured from the governing body of the municipality provided however, that in any county within which there now exists a city having a population of 225,000 inhabitants or more, such permits may be issued only by the town board of the town within which such public dance is to be held except when said public dancing place is owned by the municipality and the dance to be given or held therein is to be given by and under the supervision of the public authorities of said municipality. In all other cases such permit must be procured from the county board of the county in which said public dance is to be held. Such permits may be issued for one or more public dances or for a period of time not exceeding one year, provided that in any case where a permit for one single dance is desired, the town board of the town where the dance is to be held shall have a right to grant the same, but any person owning or operating a dance pavilion or dance hall in any such town where dances are regularly held during the year or a part thereof, must make application for such dance permit to the county commissioners and provided, that this shall not apply as hereinbefore stated to counties having a population of 225,000 or more. Said permit shall be issued at a fee and under such conditions as such governing body or county board may prescribe, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act. Provided no such permit shall be granted in any organized town outside of the limits of any city or village, in which town the town board shall pass a by-law or resolution prohibiting public dances therein."

- Sec. 2. Permit to be posted.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 10164, be amended to read as follows:
- "10164. An person or person desiring a permit to hold, give, or conduct a public dance shall make application therefor by filing with the city clerk, village recorder, or county auditor, as the facts may require, a verified application, setting forth the name and address of the person, persons, committee or organization who are to give, hold, and conduct the same, the time and place where said public dance is to be held, and the area of the dance floor where dance is to be given. Said application shall thereupon be presented to said governing body or to said county board at its next meeting for action. Said governing body or said county board may refer said application to the chief peace officer of the municipality or to the sheriff of the county for investigation and report before granting the same. Said governing body or said county board shall thereupon act upon said application and either grant or reject the same. In case the same is granted, the governing body or the county board shall fix the fee to be paid by the applicant for such permit and shall direct the proper officers to issue the same upon the payment of said fee and upon payment of the expense of the investigation herein provided for in case such investigation is made. Said permit shall specify the names and addresses of the persons to whom issued, the amount paid therefor, and the time and place where said public dance is to be held. Said permit shall be posted in a public place in the dance hall described therein during the time the public dance mentioned therein is being given, and the persons named in said permit shall be responsible under the law for the manner in which said public dance is being held and conducted. Provided that such permit may be acted upon at any special meeting of said governing body or county board, whether included in the call for such special meeting or otherwise.'
- Sec. 3. Applications.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 10165, be amended to read as follows:
- "10165. All applications for such permit shall be made upon blanks furnished by the city, village, or county as the case may be and shall be accompanied by the affidavit of two freeholders and

shall affirmatively show by the application and affidavits that the applicant is a person of good moral character and reputation in the community in which he lives and that the applicant has not, within five years prior to the making of such application, been convicted of a felony, gross misdemeanor, or of any of the provisions of this act, and no such application shall be granted to any person of bad character or who has been so convicted as aforesaid, nor to any person who is keeper of any disorderly house of any kind nor for any place which has any direct or indirect communication with any room in which intoxicating liquor is sold, given away or otherwise used, nor for any place having any so-called 'private apartments' or 'private rooms' furnished or used for any other than legitimate business purposes which adjoin such dancing place or which may be reached by stairs, elevator or passageway leading from such dancing place. No permit shall be issued under the terms of this act unless the governing body or county board are satisfied that the place where said public dance is to be given or held is properly ventilated and equipped with necessary toilets, wash rooms, lighting facilities and that such place is not likely to become a public nuisance or detrimental to public morals."

Approved April 20, 1929.

CHAPTER 265—H. F. No. 1025

An act providing aid to certain schools districts and appropriating money therefor out of the rural credit expense fund.

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

Section 1. Special school aid in certain school districts.— Whenever in any school district the state since January 1, 1924, has acquired or may hereafter acquire title to real property by foreclosure of rural credits mortgages or in entire or partial discharge of any such mortgage, such school district shall be entitled to receive from the state, in addition to all other state aid, such an amount annually as would be produced by a tax at the rate for local school purposes for the last preceding year upon the valuation of such property in said district so held by the state as fixed by the last assessment thereof.