

certificates shall be credited to the Old Age Assistance Fund, and said certificates, and the interest thereon, shall be paid from said fund, provided that such interest as may become due on said certificates, until said taxes have been collected to meet the same, shall be paid out of the Revenue Fund, and the amount necessary therefor for such purposes is hereby appropriated.

Section 5. State Board of Investment may purchase certificates.—The State Board of Investment is hereby authorized to invest the State trust funds in said tax levy certificates, and said State Board of Investment is hereby authorized to purchase said certificates of indebtedness at the rate of not less than three per cent interest, in such sums and amounts as said Board may from time to time have available funds for that purpose, and said State Investment Board, for this purpose, is authorized to purchase said certificates of indebtedness at a rate of three per cent, any law to the contrary notwithstanding, but this rate of interest shall not apply to the State Investment Board for other loans.

Section 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 26, 1937.

CHAPTER 490—H. F. No. 1695

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2554, Subdivision 6, relating to public highways, the commissioner of highways and his powers.

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

Section 1. Powers of commissioner of highways.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2554, Subdivision 6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Subdivision (6). The commissioner of highways may conduct the work or any part thereof, incidental to the construction and maintenance of the trunk highways by labor employed therefor or by contract. In cases of construction work, the commissioner of highways shall first advertise for bids for contracts and if no satisfactory bids are received, he shall have the right to reject all bids and re-advertise or do the work by labor employed therefor. When work is to be let under contract he shall publish a notice to that effect, for three successive weeks prior to the date such bids are to

be received, in such local newspaper or other periodicals as may be deemed advisable, provided that in case of emergency requiring immediate action, contract may be awarded without published notice. *And provided further, that where relief labor is employed, payable out of federal funds in the construction or reconstruction of trunk highways, and where the State is a sponsor for such projects, also necessitating the use of trunk highway funds in order to complete such construction or reconstruction, that day labor methods may be employed therefor.*

Approved April 26, 1937.

CHAPTER 491—H. F. No. 1769

An act to amend Laws 1921, Chapter 437, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 225, as amended by Laws 1931, Chapter 192, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 284, fixing the salaries and compensation of county officers and their expenses and clerk hire in all counties in this state now or hereafter having not less than forty-four (44) nor more than forty-five (45) congressional townships, whole or fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than \$8,000,000.00 nor more than \$14,000,000.00, exclusive of money and credits, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—That Laws 1921, Chapter 437, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 225, as amended by Laws 1931, Chapter 192, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 284, be, and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. **Salaries of county officers in certain counties.**—That all counties in this state, now or hereafter having not less than 44 nor more than 45 congressional townships, whole and fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than \$8,000,000.00 and not more than \$14,000,000.00 and now or hereafter having population of not less than 25,500 and not more than 26,000 in accordance with the Federal Population Census of 1930, exclusive of monies and credits, the salary and compensation of the county officers and their expenses and clerk hire hereinafter named shall be as follows:

Section 2. **Salary and clerk hire of County auditor.**—County Auditor, \$2,820.00 per year and fees as now prescribed by laws.