period of duration has expired, which has reorganized by forming a new corporation under the laws of this state relating to county agricultural societies, and which has conducted its business in good faith, has carried on and transacted business in good faith, and has heretofore reincorporated under the laws of this state pertaining to agricultural societies, shall be deemed to be a legal and valid corporation de jure and shall be so held in all courts as to all past transactions, the same as if there was no defect in its organization.

Sec. 2. Pending litigation. This act shall not affect any pending litigation or apply to any corporation whose charter has been declared forfeited by any court of competent jurisdiction in this state.

Approved March 31, 1949.

## CHAPTER 226-S. F. No. 826

An act relating to the welfare board in any county and city of the first class which city contains more than 80 per cent of the assessed valuation for tax purposes of all property in said county; amending Laws 1929, Chapter 371, Section 3, as amended by Special Session Laws 1935, Chapter 62, as amended by Laws 1945, Chapter 432.

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

- Section 1. Laws 1929, Chapter 371, Section 3, as amended by Special Session Laws 1935, Chapter 62, as amended by Laws 1945, Chapter 432, is hereby amended to read:
- Sec. 3. Welfare board in Ramsey county; salaries of employees. The county welfare board, the members of which shall serve without pay, shall be charged with the relief of the poor of such county and city and with the control and management of such hospital and almshouse, in addition to such other duties imposed by Minnesota Statutes 1941, Chapter 393. It may make rules and regulations for the conduct of its affairs and for the discipline, order and supervision of such hospital and almshouse, to carry malpractice insurance for the hospital staff and to pay the premiums therefor. The board may appoint, and at its pleasure remove, a physician and surgeon

as superintendent and chief surgeon of such hospital and who shall also serve without additional compensation as county and city physician.

Nothing herein shall be construed as affecting in any way arrangements as to selection, rules and regulations, or otherwise pertaining to a visiting staff of the hospital.

The board may appoint and remove at its pleasure a superintendent of almshouse. The county welfare board shall fix the salary of the superintendent and chief surgeon of such hospital and of such superintendent of almshouse, subject to the approval of the county board of such county and the council of such city.

The county welfare board is hereby given the power to employ and discharge all other necessary employees and officers and to fix and determine their compensation excepting such as are subject to the provisions of the civil service system of such county.

All employees of such county welfare board shall be paid at least semi-monthly the wages earned by them to within ten days of the date of such payment.

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## CHAPTER 227—S. F. No. 854

An act providing for notification to the director of social welfare of the placement of a child in a permanent home or for adoption and providing further for the director of social welfare to visit and investigate the home in which such placement has been made; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Sections 257.03 and 257.04.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 257.03, is amended to read as follows:

257.03. Notification of director of social welfare. When any person, group of persons, organization, association or so-