

The term "council," as used in sections 275.11 to 275.16, means any board or body, whether composed of one or more branches, authorized to make ordinances for the government of a city within this state.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 368.01, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **CERTAIN OTHER TOWNS.** Any town with a population of 1,000 or more according to the most recent federal decennial census or special census or population estimate as provided in section 368.015 that does not otherwise qualify pursuant to subdivision 1 to exercise the powers enumerated in this section, shall have and possess the enumerated powers upon an affirmative vote of the electors of the town at the annual town meeting. The population must be established by the most recent federal decennial census, special census as provided in section 368.015, or population estimate by the state demographer made according to section 116K.04, subdivision 4, whichever has the latest stated date of count or estimate.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 368.015, is amended to read:

368.015 TOWNS; CENSUS.

A town board may by resolution, in any year, request the ~~state demographer~~ United States bureau of the census to take a special census of the town or ~~make an estimate of the population of the town~~ for the purpose of being eligible to exercise the powers contained in section 368.01 as provided in section 368.01, subdivision 1a. A cost for the special census or ~~estimate~~ shall be borne by the town.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sections 1 to 3 are effective July 1, 1985.

Approved May 6, 1985

CHAPTER 66 — H.F.No. 507

An act relating to Hennepin county; setting the form in which county board members' salaries must be stated; amending Laws 1982, chapter 577, section 14.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Laws 1982, chapter 577, section 14, is amended to read:

Sec. 14. COMMISSIONERS COMPENSATION.

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No per diem payment shall be allowed county board members for service on the county board or any other county body. County board members shall pay for parking in county owned parking facilities where payment is required. County board members may be allowed mileage for use of their personal automobile at a rate per mile.

The Hennepin county board may set the salary of board members by resolution limited to that subject. The salary must be stated as a fixed dollar amount. Adjustments in commissioners' salaries shall be adopted by the county board by resolution prior to a general election to take effect January 1 of the succeeding year. Any resolution that makes an adjustment must state the change and the resulting salary for a member as fixed dollar amounts.

Sec. 2. APPLICATION.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 645.023, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), this act applies to Hennepin county the day after final enactment without local approval.

Approved May 6, 1985

CHAPTER 67 — H.F.No. 565

An act relating to soil and water conservation; changing powers and duties of the state board; amending Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 40.03, subdivision 4.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1984, section 40.03, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. POWERS AND DUTIES. In addition to the powers and duties hereinafter conferred upon the state soil and water conservation board, it shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) Prepare and present to the commissioner of agriculture a budget to finance the activities of the state board and the districts and to administer any law appropriating funds to districts. The board shall receive and disburse any grants made available to the state by the United States department of agriculture under the preferred program developed under United States Code, title 16, sections 2001 to 2009;

(2) Offer any appropriate assistance to the supervisors of the districts in implementing any of their powers and programs. Any funds made available to a district for expenditures necessary for the operations of the district shall be a grant to the district to be used only for purposes authorized by the state board

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