CHAPTER 301

- AN ACT providing for appropriations for bridges in Stearns county.

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

Section 1. The board of county commissioners of Stearns county is hereby prohibited from appropriating or expending any money whatever in repairing, resurveying, vacating, improving or repairing any road or highway in said county, unless an appropriation or expenditure be necessary for the purposes provided in section two (2) of this act.

SEC. 2. Said board may appropriate and expend money from the revenue fund of said county to aid in building, rebuilding or repairing any bridge upon any public road or highway in said county, kept in repair by the town, village or city in which said road or highway may be located, in cases where the estimated cost of such building, rebuilding or repairing exceeds the sum of one

hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).

SEC. 3. Before any such appropriations or expenditure, an affidavit, made by a supervisor of the town, a trustee of the village, or an alderman of the city applying for aid, shall be filed with the auditor of said county, stating the location or proposed location of said bridge, the estimated cost of building or repairing the same, and that the town, village or city making the application has already appropriated a sum of money not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor less than one-half the estimated cost aforesaid, stating the amount of said appropriation for the same purpose.

SEC. 4. Said board of commissioners may thereupon appropriate and vote to expend, to aid in building, rebuilding or repairing the bridge mentioned in said affidavit, from said revenue fund, a sum of money, not more than one-half of said estimated cost, nor to exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000) in the aggregate in any

one year.

Sec.5. No part of said appropriation shall be paid until said bridge has been completed to the satisfaction of said board of commissioners, who, thereupon, shall direct the payment of the amount so appropriated to the party entitled thereto.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and af-

ter its passage.

Approved February 25, 1881.