

S. F. No. 300.

CHAPTER 55.

Pensions by
fire depart-
ment relief as-
sociations.

An act relating to fire departments relief associations, and authorizing the payment of pensions by such associations to retired members thereof.

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

Authorizing a
service pen-
sion.

SECTION 1. That every fire department relief association now existing, or which may hereafter be organized pursuant to any statute of this state, is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever its articles of incorporation and its constitution or by-laws shall so provide or permit, to pay out of and from any funds it may have received from the state of Minnesota, or from any other source, a service pension, in such amount as its articles or by-laws shall designate, not exceeding the sum of forty dollars per month, to each of its retired members who shall have arrived at the age of fifty years or more, and shall have done active duty for a period of twenty years or more, as a member of a paid fire department of the city, village, town or other municipal corporation in which such relief association shall exist, and continuously for two years immediately preceding his retirement therefrom, and who shall have been a member of such relief association for a period of ten years or more prior to such retirement, and who shall conform also to such other and additional conditions as to age, service and membership as such association shall by its articles or by-laws prescribe.

Not exceed-
ing \$40 a
month. Con-
ditions.

Provided, however, that all pensions which shall be given pursuant to the terms of this act shall be uniform in amount, and that every such association shall at all times have and retain the right to increase or reduce the amount of such pension, whenever, because of the amount of funds on hand, or for other good reasons, such increase or reduction may seem advisable or proper.

Pensions
must be
uniform.

Provided, further, that no pension authorized by this act shall be paid to any person while he remains or is a member of such fire department, and that no person receiving the pension herein mentioned shall receive, or be entitled to receive, any other or further pension or relief from such association.

Active mem-
bership
barred.

And provided, also, that when in any city, town, village, or other municipality, there shall exist a volunteer fire department, or a partially paid and partially volunteer fire department, and there shall exist any such relief association, such relief association may avail itself of the benefit of this act.

Pensions in
volunteer
dept's.

SEC. 2. That the authority and power conferred hereby upon such relief associations is in addition and supplemental to the power and authority heretofore conferred thereon to expend their moneys for the support and relief of sick, injured and disabled firemen, their widows and orphans.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 19, 1897.

Additional authority to that heretofore granted.

CHAPTER 56.

S. F. No. 44.

An act to appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred (\$3,500) dollars, for the purpose of purchasing additional land for the state public school of Owatonna.

Appropriation for Owatonna public school.

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

SECTION 1. That the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500), or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of purchasing additional land for the state public school at Owatonna.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. Said money so appropriated shall be expended under the direction of the board of trustees of the said state public school.

How expended.

SEC. 3. The state auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrants for said sum, or so much thereof as shall be expended for said purpose, in favor of such persons as shall be designated by the said board of trustees of said public school.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 20, 1897.