

office. That the salary of such principal assessor shall be paid to him in equal monthly installments, and the salaries of such assistant assessors and clerks shall be paid to them in equal monthly installments out of the treasury of such counties.

SEC. 5. Said principal assessor by himself, or with the aid of his assistant assessors and clerk, shall assess all property subject to taxation within such county under the laws of this state.

Duties of  
assessor.

SEC. 6. That the board of county commissioners of such counties, shall at their first meeting after the passage of this act, nominate and appoint a county assessor, who shall fill such office and qualify therefor and perform the duties of such office, as herein provided, until the next general election to be held in the month of November, 1900, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

To be ap-  
pointed by  
county com-  
missioners  
until election  
of 1900.

SEC. 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 10, 1899.

#### CHAPTER 141.

S. F. No. 411.

*An act entitled an act authorizing each of the district court judges of this state to appoint a district court reporter, and fixing his duties and compensation.*

District  
court re-  
porter.

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

SECTION 1. Each of the district court judges of this state are hereby authorized to appoint a district court reporter, who shall be well skilled in the art of shorthand writing, and competent to discharge the duties required, and who shall hold his office during the pleasure of the judge so appointing him.

Each district  
judge may  
appoint one.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of said reporter to make or cause to be made in shorthand writing a true record of all proceedings had and evidence given upon the trial of issues of fact, and in all proceedings before the judge so appointing him, when requested by said judge; and in all actions tried by said judge without a jury and in all proceedings had before him and in all cases of a motion for a new trial upon the minutes, said reporter shall when so requested read his said record to said judge or furnish him with a true transcript thereof for his use.

Duties of  
reporter.

Reporter to attend before referee when directed by judge.

To be private secretary of judge.

*Provided*, that whenever the judge shall refer any action pending in his judicial district to a referee to hear, try and determine, said reporter shall, at the request of said judge, attend said trial before said referee and make a record of the trial of said action in the same manner as if tried before the court, and at the request of said judge or referee he shall read his record to the referee, or furnish a true transcript thereof to him for his use. Such reporter shall also act in the capacity of private secretary to the judge so appointing him whenever so directed by said judge, in all matters pertaining to the official duties of said judge; and he shall, when requested by the judge so appointing him, without charge therefor, transcribe his notes or any part thereof for the use of said judge. In recording the testimony of witnesses sworn and examined upon trials or in any proceeding before said court, or before any referee, it shall be the duty of said reporter to record the questions put to the witnesses and their answers thereto given by the witnesses in the exact words used by the questioners and the witnesses. He shall not be required to record the argument of counsel, but shall record the charge of the judge to the jury, and shall record all objections and the grounds thereof as stated by counsel, and also the rulings of the judge thereon, the exception taken by counsel to such rulings, and all motions and admissions made during the trial or proceeding. Such reporter shall upon the completion of any trial or proceeding file his record thereof in such shorthand writing, in the office of the clerk of court of the county where such action or proceeding is pending, or in any other county in said judicial district when so ordered by the judge presiding. It shall be the duty of such reporter whenever requested so to do by any party to an action or proceeding, to make and furnish to such party a transcript of his record in such action or proceeding, and he shall make such transcript in the exact words represented by the signs or characters used by him in his shorthand writing.

Reporter to act for judge from outside district.

Compensation of reporter not less than \$800 nor more than \$1,500 a year.

SEC. 3. Whenever for any cause any district judge shall preside in place of or perform any of the duties of the judge appointing such reporter, he may require such reporter to perform all the duties that he might be required to perform, by the judge appointing him.

SEC. 4. The amount of compensation of such reporter shall be not less than eight hundred (800) dollars per more than fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars per annum, to be fixed by the judge so appointing him, and

shall be paid monthly upon the warrant of the auditor of each county respectively of the judicial district for which he is appointed, in the following manner: The proportionate part of said sum to be paid by each county shall be determined by the proportion that the number of days a stenographer was actually employed in the trial of causes for each county of the judicial district, bears to the total number of days a stenographer was actually employed in the trial of causes for all the counties of said judicial district, and each county shall pay such proportionate part of said sum that the whole number of days for which a stenographer was employed for each county, bears to the total number of days a stenographer was actually employed in the trial of causes for all the counties of the said judicial district. Each judge of the district court, after having made an appointment, under this act shall on or before the first day of April of each year after the passage of this act, determine the amount which said reporter is entitled to receive from each county in said district, and in determining such amount said judge shall take as a basis the number of days which each county of the judicial district actually employed a stenographer for the trial of causes for the years immediately preceding the adoption of this act, and annually thereafter bears to the total number of days a stenographer was employed in the trial of causes for the whole judicial district. Upon making such determination, said judge shall file a copy thereof with the auditor of each county in said judicial district.

*Provided*, that said reporter shall be entitled to charge at the rate of eight (8) cents per folio of one hundred (100) words for transcripts of his said record, and two (2) cents per folio of any copy thereof if ordered so it can be made at the same time with said transcript.

Reporter to charge 8 cents per folio for transcripts.

SEC. 5. The order of a district court judge making an appointment under this act shall be filed with the county auditor of each of the counties composing the judicial district for which such reporter is appointed; and before such reporter shall enter upon the discharge of his duties, he shall make and subscribe an oath that he will to the best of his knowledge and ability faithfully perform the same, a copy of which oath shall be filed with each of the auditors of the counties composing the judicial district for which he is appointed.

Appointment to be filed with county auditor.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of the month next succeeding its passage, and all acts or parts of acts now in force in this state inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

*Provided, however,* that this act shall not apply to judicial districts containing cities having a population exceeding 50,000, or affect any laws now in force applying to such districts.

Approved April 11, 1899.

---

CHAPTER 142.

S. F. No. 281.

Banks of discount and deposit.

*An act to amend sections six (6), seven (7) and eight (8) of chapter one hundred and forty-five (145) of the General Laws of Minnesota, for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895), being an act to revise the laws relating to banks of discount and deposit.*

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

Sec. 6, C.  
145, Laws  
1895, amended.

SECTION 1. That section six (6) of chapter one hundred and forty-five (145) of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895) be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Bank affairs  
how managed.

Sec. 6. The affairs of each bank shall be managed by a board of not less than three directors, who shall be elected by the stockholders and hold office for one year, and until their successors are elected and have qualified. A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; *provided*, that when the number of directors shall exceed nine (9) they may once in six (6) months designate by resolution nine (9) members, any five (5) of whom shall constitute a quorum. In the first instance the directors shall be named in the articles prescribed in section two (2) of this act or elected at a meeting held before the bank is authorized to commence business by the superintendent and afterwards elected at the annual meeting of the stockholders each year; and if for any cause an election is not had at that meeting it may be held at a subsequent meeting called for that purpose, of which due notice will be given as provided in the by-laws adopted by such bank. At a meeting of stockholders for election of directors each share shall entitle the owner to one vote for each director, and a stockholder may vote at any meeting of the corporation by a proxy in writing signed by him. Every director must own and hold in his own name not less than five (5) shares of the capital stock of