H. F. No. 214,

CHAPTER 138.

Amendment. Public schools.

An act to amend chapter three hundred and fifty-two (352). General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetynine (1899), being an act entitled "An act to encourage a better condition of public schools and to appropriate money therefor, and repealing chapter one hundred and forty-four (144) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one (1881), as amended by chapter one hundred and one (101) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893), chapter sixty-one (61) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-one (1881), extra session, as amended by chapter forty (40) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-three (1883); chapter one hundred and eighty-three (183) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), and chapter two hundred and fifty-nine (259) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetyseven (1897), as amended by House File Number one hundred and thirty-five (135) of the thirty-first (31st) session of the Legislature of Minnesota, approved March eleventh (11th), eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899), chapter one kundred and fifty-one (151), of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three (1893), and chapter two hundred and fifty-six (256) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897), relating to certain schools."

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

SECTION I. That section sixteen (16) of Article Four (IV.), chapter three hundred and fifty-two (352). General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899) be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 16. Any common school district in this state, or any public school in any hamlet or village or any township graded school in this state, not entitled to state aid as a high school or graded school, but fully complying with the conditions of this act relating to state semi-graded school may receive such aid as is hereinafter provided for state semi-graded schools for each school building therein situated wherein school shall have been maintained as hereinafter provided."

SEC. 2. That section twenty-two (22). Article Five (V.) of said chapter be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 22. Any common school district in this state not located in any incorporated village or city, and not entitled to state aid as a high school, graded school or

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uld to rural chools. semi-graded school, but fully complying with the conditions of this act relating to state rural schools, may receive aid as hereinafter provided for state rural schools for each school building therein situated wherein school shall have been maintained as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from

and after its passage.

Approved April 4, 1901.

CHAPTER 139.

H. F. No. 240.

An act to authorize cities of over fifty thousand in- Cities with habitants to acquire lands for parks and parkways outside of the corporate limits of any such city, but adjacent and contiguous to existing parks and parkways situated therein, and thereafter to maintain the same as public parks or parkways.

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

SECTION I. Any city of this state, now or hereafter May acquire having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants, parks. according to the next preceding state or national census. is hereby authorized and empowered in addition to the other powers upon it conferred by law, to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation, for the use by the public for parks and parkway purposes, land lying outside of the corporate limits of said city, if by condemnation, then in the manner hereinafter set forth, and thereafter to maintain, operate and control the lands so acquired as public parks or parkways, subject to the same conditions and restrictions, and with the same power, jurisdiction and authority that any such city may exercise or be subject to with reference to parks and parkways situated within the corporate limits. Provided, however, that any such tracts, pieces or parcels of land so to be acquired outside of the corporate limits of such city shall be adjacent to and contiguous with lands theretofore devoted to public use for parks and parkway purposes within the corporate limits of such city, and no such tract or parcel of land so to be acquired by purchase or condemnation shall exceed forty (40) acres in extent of area.

For the purpose of making and perfecting such condemnation, the board of park commissioners of any such city shall proceed in the manner following, to wit:

Whenever they shall deem it to be for the public in- Proceedings terest that any such tract or tracts, parcel or parcels of in condem-