H. F. No. 778.

CHAPTER 160.

Bridges across Minnesota river.

An act relating to bridges across the Minnesota river. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minne-

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Section 1. That any municipal or private corporation, person or parties, separately or jointly, their successors or assigns, may construct, maintain and operate a fixed span bridge or bridges, with approaches, if necessary, across the Minnesota river at any point on said river down to and including the City of Le Sueur in the County of Le Sueur and State of Minnesota.

Said bridge or bridges shall be used for general pedestrian, wagon and railway traffic, or for any or all such purposes, and its location and construction shall be subject to the approval of the governor as provided in section 1919 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for the year

1894.

SEC. 2. Any draw bridge now constructed across said river at and above the said city of Le Sueur and maintained by any municipal or other corporation may be converted into a fixed span bridge without a draw.

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

Approved April 10, 1903.

H. F. No. 837.

CHAPTER 161.

Cities of over 50,000.

An act entitled an act to authorize cities now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants to grade streets constituting an approach to a public park, without any petition of property owners therefor.

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

Section 1. That in any city of this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants, where any public park or parks now or hereafter exist, without any graded street leading therefrom to the main portion of such city, the common council of such city is hereby authorized and empowered by a three-fourths vote of all members-elect thereof, upon recommendation of the board of park commissioners, or such other officials as may have charge and supervision of

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the parks and parkways of such city, to order and cause to be opened and graded for public travel the necessary street or streets to constitute one main thoroughfare leading from such park or parks to the main portion of such city, without a petition therefor signed or presented by the owners of any property fronting or abutting upon the line of such improvement, and may cause the whole or any part of the necessary cost and expense of opening Tax levied and grading any such street or streets to be levied and against property benefited. assessed upon and against the property benefited by such improvement, in the same manner and with like effect as other assessments for street grading are made by such city.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 10, 1903.

CHAPTER 162.

H. F. No. 380.

An act legalizing certain floating indebtedness of villages and authorizing the issue of bonds with which to fund the same.

Villages authorized to issue bonds to fund floating indebtedness, in certain

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

Section 1. Any and all orders heretofore issued by any village in this state for the following purposes, or either thereof, to wit, in payment of the cost, in whole or in part, of village water works or electric light plant, or both combined, or the enlargement, improvement and repair thereof; in payment of the cost, in whole or in part, of the erection and construction of any building to be used for the purpose of a village hall, village officers (offices), or hall to be used by the public for exhibitions, lectures and other public entertainments and purposes, which said orders are still outstanding and unpaid, are hereby declared to be lawful floating indebtedness of said village. as of the date of their issue, provided only, that the council of any such village and the voters thereof shall have heretofore recognized said orders by voting to issue bonds with which to take them up, whether the issuing of bonds for such purpose was or was not then authorized by any law of this state.

SEC. 2. The village council of any village in this state