H. F. No. 708.

## CHAPTER 201.

An act to promote the sale of state lands.

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

Promoting sale of state lands.

Section 1. The state land commissioner of the State of Minnesota is hereby authorized and empowered to take such measures as he may deem advisable to advertise, both within and without the state, sales of all state lands, and to secure, compile and issue such valuable statistics of the resources of the state as may be useful in securing a desirable class of settlers to purchase and to locate on these lands.

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

Approved April 15, 1905.

H. F. No. 36.

## CHAPTER 202.

An act to authorize the board of county commissioners in all counties in this state having a bonded indebtedness sinking fund to invest the money of said sinking fund in first mortgage loans upon improved farm real estate.

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

Investing moneys of sinking fund to pay bonded indebtedness of counties.

Section 1. That the board of county commissioners of any county in this state, having a bonded indebtedness sinking fund, is hereby authorized and empowered to invest the money of the said fund not at any time necessary for use in paying the matured bonded indebtedness of the said county upon the security of first mortgages on improved real estate of the said county; provided that no loan or investment of the said funds shall in any case, be made for an amount greater than fifty per centum of the market value of the said real estate security at the time the said loan or investment is made, exclusive of the value of any structures situated thereon; also provided that no money or funds shall in any case, be loaned for a period of time extending beyond the time when the said funds shall be required for payment of the matured bonded indebtedness of the said county nor for a rate of interest to be paid annually, lower than five per cent per annum.

SEC. 2. Whenever any such loan has been made, the Power to Co. comboard of county commissioners shall have the same rights missioners. in reference to the enforcement of any suit or proceeding for the collection of the same, or the foreclosure of any such mortgage, as any other lender or mortgagee, and if necessary may sell and assign any such note or mortgage at a discount of not more than two (2) per cent of the interest unpaid. When authorized by resolution of the board, the chairman and county auditor may execute any such assignment.

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

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Approved April 15, 1905.

## CHAPTER 203.

H. F. No. 737.

An act to appoint a commission to investigate and re- State inport upon the advisability of establishing a state hospital hospital. for indigent, crippled and deformed children in Hennepin county, Minnesota.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minne-Sofa:

Section 1. That Arthur J. Gillette, Stephen Ma-Commission to investihoney and Robert O. Earl are appointed and commis- gate. sioned to investigate the advisability of establishing in Hennepin county, Minnesota, a state hospital under the management and control of the board of regents of the state university, for the treatment, care and education of crippled and deformed children, not mentally diseased, who are indigent.

Sec. 2. Should such commission deem it advisable Location. for the state to establish such institution, then it shall be their duty to ascertain what location in Hennepin county, Minnesota, would be most desirable and what building or buildings would be most suitable for such hospital.

Such commission shall render a full report Report to legislature. of their investigations under this act to the Legislature of this state to convene in the year 1907.

Such commission shall report such site, or sites, for such hospital in Hennepin county, Minnesota, which shall be tendered to the state for such purpose without cost to the state, and shall also report any gifts of money or other property which may be tendered to the state in aid of such institution.