

Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 17, 1907.

CHAPTER 224—H. F. No. 359.

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 164 of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year 1905, relating to the employment of repair crews on roads and bridges in counties having one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) inhabitants, or over.

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

Reference.—Section 1. That section 2 of chapter 164 of the General Laws of 1905 be amended so as to read as follows:

Money—how expended.—Sec. 2. That all moneys so appropriated shall be expended by and under the direction and supervision of such board of county commissioners in the following manner:

That in all cases except as hereinafter provided before expending any such money for such purpose or purposes, such board of county commissioners shall require the county surveyor of such county, or his deputy, to furnish to such board a survey of the work for which it is proposed to expend such money, together with suitable plans and specifications thereof and estimated cost thereof, and that upon the receipt of the same by such board it shall be the duty of such board, if it shall deem such expenditure advisable, to invite bids for such work by posting notices for at least fifteen (15) days prior to the letting of the contract for the same in at least three (3) of the most public places in the township wherein such work is to be done, and in case any portion of such work is within the limits of any incorporated village, by also posting notices in three (3) of the most public places in such village, and in all cases there shall be three (3) publications of said notices in the official newspaper, and such notices shall contain a brief description of such work, and shall state the time and place of awarding the contract for the same, and at the time and place mentioned in such notices; it shall be the duty of such board to let such contract to the

lowest responsible bidder, who shall in all cases be required to enter into a written contract evidencing the same, and said board shall require a satisfactory bond for the faithful performance of such contract; *provided*, nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent such board from rejecting all bids for such work and readvertise for new bids if in the judgment of such board all bids are excessive: and *provided, further*, that such board may, without advertising for bids and letting contracts as above required, expend under the supervision of the county surveyor or his deputy a sum not exceeding one hundred (\$100) dollars during any one year at any one point for repair to any road or bridge when in their judgment such repairs are necessary to maintain or protect such road or bridge or the travel thereon, and may employ a repair crew for such purpose, for a period not exceeding seven months during any one year, and may purchase and retain the necessary road machinery and tools for the purpose of making such repairs, but such expenditure shall not in any one year exceed one-quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the amount so appropriated for roads and bridges for said year in said county; and *provided, further*, that in case of any emergency rendering travel upon any highway unsafe, or threatening the immediate injury or destruction thereof, and requiring immediate repair, an amount not exceeding five hundred (\$500) dollars may be expended in the repairs thereof without advertising for bids and letting a contract therefor, and the sum or sums so expended shall not exceed one thousand (\$1,000) dollars in any one year and shall be included in the limit of one-quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the road and bridge fund so appropriated as hereinbefore mentioned.

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CHAPTER 225—S. F. No. 903.

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An Act to amend section 3033 of the Revised Laws 1905, regulating the amount and character of the deposits of trust companies and prescribing the duties of the public examiner with respect to the securities deposited with him.

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

Public examiner to examine securities.—Section 1. That section 3033, Revised Laws 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: