ties, cities or towns thereof, who is an honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine having served as such in the Union army or navy during the late Civil War, shall be removed from such position, or employment except for incompetency or misconduct shown after a hearing, upon due notice, upon stated charges, and with the right of such employee or appointee to review by writ of certiorari. The burden of proving incompetency or misconduct shall rest upon the party alleging the same. Nothing in this act shall be construed to apply to the position of private secretary or deputy of any official or department or to any person holding a strictly confidential relation to the appointing officer.

Sec. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication.

Approved April 19, 1907.

CHAPTER 264—H. F. No. 1008.

An Act to authorize and empower the city council or common council of cities of this state of over 50,000 inhabitants to issue and sell municipal bonds and to use the proceeds thereof for defraying the cost of making certain local improvements in intersections of streets and in front of property exempt by law from special assessments.

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

\$175,000 bond issue permitted.—Section 1. The city council or common council of each and every city of this state now or hereafter having over 50,000 inhabitants, in addition to all the rights and powers heretofore granted thereto by law, is hereby authorized and empowered, for the purpose herein designated, to issue from time to time, as needed, the negotiable bonds of their respective city to an amount in the aggregate not to exceed \$175,000, said bonds to be made in such denominations and payable at such places and at such times not exceeding thirty (30) years from the date thereof, as may be deemed best, and to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and with interest coupons attached, payable at such place or places as shall be designated therein, and said city council or common

council, as the case may be, is further authorized to negotiate and sell such bonds from time to time, to the highest bidder or bidders therefor and upon the best terms that can be obtained for said bonds. Provided, that no such bonds shall be sold for a less amount than the par value thereof and accrued interest thereon; and provided, further, that said bonds shall not be issued until the issuance thereof is authorized by a resolution duly passed by a three-fourths vote of all the members of the city council or common council proposing to issue the same.

Bond issue not to exceed ten per cent of valuation.—Sec. 2. Nothing therein contained shall authorize the issue at any time of the bonds of any such city to such an amount that the whole amount of the principal of the bonds actually issued by such city and still outstanding, including water and light bonds, together with the proposed issue, less the amount of the bonds of such city which shall be in and constitute a part of the sinking fund of said city for the payment of bonds, shall exceed ten per cent of the assessed valuation of the non-exempt taxable property of such city as shown by the last preceding assessment.

How issued—how proceeds are to be used.—Sec. 3. All bonds issued under authority of this act shall be sealed with the seal of the city issuing the same, and signed by the mayor and attested by the city clerk, or recorded and countersigned by the city comptroller. The proceeds of any and all bonds issued and sold under authority of this act shall be placed in the city treasury of the city issuing the same and shall-constitute a special fund, and shall be kept distinct from all other funds of the city, and shall be used only for the purpose of paying for the cost of paying, repaying and macadamizing in street intersections, the cost of constructing curb and gutter in street intersections, and also the cost of laying or relaying of sewer pipes in the intersections of streets, and the cost of paving, repaving or macadamizing in front of property exempt by law from special assessments, and the cost of constructing curb and gutter in front of property exempt by law from special assessments, and also the cost of laving, relaying or extending sewer pipes in front of property exempt by law from special assessments, and also for the increased cost of sewers which are larger than two feet in diameter; and the

proceeds of said bonds or any thereof shall not be used for any other purpose than those hereinbefore specified.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 19, 1907.

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CHAPTER 265—H. F. No. 1009.

An Act to authorize and empower the city council or common council of cities in this state of over 50,000 inhabitants to issue and sell municipal bonds and to use the proceeds thereof for defraying the cost of making certain local improvements in advance of the special assessment levied therefor, and to provide for ascertaining, reporting and supplying any impairment or depletion of the fund into which the proceeds of said bonds come.

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

\$500,000 bond issue authorized.—Section 1. The city council or common council of each and every city in this state now or hereafter having over 50,000 inhabitants, in addition to all the rights and powers hereafter granted thereto by law, is hereby authorized and empowered, for the purposes herein designated, to issue from time to time as needed the negotiable bonds of their respective city to an amount in the aggregate not to exceed \$500,000, said bonds to be made in such denominations and payable at such places and at such times, not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date thereof, as may be deemed best, and to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and to have interest coupons attached, payable at such place or places as shall be designated therein, and said city council or common council, as the case may be, is further authorized to negotiate and sell such bonds from time to time to the highest bidder or bidders therefor, and upon the best terms that can be obtained for said bonds; provided, that no such bonds shall be sold for a less amount than the par value thereof and accrued interest thereon; and provided further, that said bonds shall not be issued until the issuance thereof is authorized by a resolution duly passed by a three-fourths vote of all the members of the city council or common council proposing to issue the same.

Not to exceed 10 per cent of the valuation.—Sec. 2. Nothing herein contained shall authorize the issue at any