CHAPTER 343-S. F. No. 473.

An Act to empower cities and villages in this state to appoint inspectors of gas, electric light, heat and water meters, and to provide for their compensation.

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

Appointments of inspectors authorized.—Section 1. That in addition to the powers heretofore granted by law to the cities and villages in this state, which power shall not be limited or abridged by the provisions of this act, there is hereby granted to the council or governing board of any such city or village the power and authority to appoint inspectors of gas, electric light, heat and water meters.

Powers of inspector.—Sec. 2. Such inspector shall have power and authority to, at all reasonable hours, inspect and read any gas, electric light, heat or water meters, whether the same be connected with a plant owned by such municipality, or owned or operated by any person, corporation or association in said city or village. Such inspection may be made either under the direction of the council or governing board of any such city or village, or at the request of any private owner or patron of any such gas, electric light, heat or water plant, and such inspector—when requested or required so to do—shall report upon the condition of any such meter and in reference to such other matters concerning the same as shall be required of such inspector, that the term of office of such inspector shall not be for a longer period than two years and that the said inspector's salary shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars annually.

Compensation.—Sec. 3. The council or governing board of any such city or village shall have the power and authority to fix and determine the compensation to be paid to or received by such inspector, and his term of office.

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

Approved April 23, 1907.

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