

a tax upon the taxable property of said county, in addition to all other taxes levied.

Board to negotiate at not less than par value.—Sec. 8. The board of county commissioners of such county shall have authority to negotiate said bonds, but for not less than their par value.

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 22, 1909.

CHAPTER 406—H. F. No. 1158.

An Act to authorize cities in the State of Minnesota now or hereafter having a population of more than fifty thousand inhabitants, to issue bonds for the purpose of aiding in the construction of main sewers.

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

\$50,000 sewer bonds authorized.—Section 1. Any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of more than fifty thousand inhabitants, in addition to all the powers now possessed by such city, is hereby authorized and empowered, acting by and through the common council or city council of such city, by ordinance or resolution, by ordinance duly enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all members elect of such common council, or city council, to issue and sell not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) par value in and of the bonds of such city for the purpose of aiding in defraying the expense of constructing main sewers in such city.

Provided, no such bonds shall be issued or sold unless the ordinance or ordinances authorizing their issuance and sale shall have been duly passed and enacted by the common council prior to the 1st day of January, 1911.

How issued and sold.—Sec. 2. The bonds authorized by section one (1) of this act, or any portion thereof, may be issued and sold by any such city, notwithstanding any limitation contained in the charter of such city or in any law of this state prescribing or fixing any limit upon the bonded indebtedness of such city, but the full faith and credit of any such city shall at all times be pledged for the payment of any bonds issued under this act for the payment of the current interest thereon, and the common council, or city council, of such city shall each year include in the tax levy a sufficient amount to provide for the payment of such interest as it accrues, and for the accumulation of a sinking fund for the redemption of such bonds at their maturity.

30 years at 4 per cent—Signatures.—Sec. 3. No bonds shall be issued by any such city for the purposes hereinabove mentioned to run for a longer term than thirty years, or bearing a higher rate of interest than four per cent per annum, but the place of payment of the principal and interest thereof and the denominations in which the same shall be issued shall be such as may be determined upon by the common council, or city council, and may be in the form of coupon bonds or registered certificates, so-called.

All of said bonds shall be signed by the mayor, attested by the city clerk and countersigned by the city comptroller of the city issuing the same, and shall be sealed with the seal of such city, except that the signatures to the coupons attached to such bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon, and none of said bonds shall be sold at less than their par value and accrued interest, and then only to the highest bidder therefor.

Application.—Sec. 4. This act shall apply to cities existing under a charter formed pursuant to section thirty-six (36) of article four (4) of the constitution, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 22, 1909.

CHAPTER 407—S. F. No. 219.

An Act amending section 5268 of Revised Laws 1905, relating to the grounds of excuse from jury service.

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

Court may excuse any juror from service at one term but to report to another.—Section 1. That section 5268, Revised Laws, 1905, be amended so as to read as follows:

The court shall not excuse from service upon either grand or petit jury any person duly drawn and summoned, except upon the ground that he is either physically or mentally unable or unfit, in the opinion of the court, to attend or serve as a juror, or by reason of serious sickness of some immediate member of his family; *provided*, that in counties having more than two terms of court a year the court may, for other sufficient causes, excuse a juror from service at the term of court or period of service for which he was so drawn and summoned until a later term or period during the same year, and in such case such juror shall report for service and serve at such later term or period