appropriated, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to carry out the provisions of this act.

Treasurers to deliver standard of weights and measures now in their possession.—Sec. 10. The state treasurer and the county treasurers of the various counties shall deliver to the department all standards of weights and measures, balances, testing apparatus and sealing equipment now in their possession within ninety (90) days after the passage of this act.

Commission to fix fees for inspection.—Sec. 11. The commission shall fix the fees for inspecting, testing, sealing or condemning any scales, weights, measures, and weighing or measuring devices. All money appropriated or so collected, and all fines and penalties for violating any provisions of this law, shall be paid into the state treasury and known as the "weight and measure fund" and paid out only on the order of the commission and auditor's warrant. The money in said fund, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are kereby annually appropriated to the payment of salaries, fees and expenses of officers and employes of said department.

Construction of the word "person."—Sec. 12. The word "person" shall be construed to mean person or persons, corporation, partnership, stock company, or the agent or employee thereof.

Not applicable to certain sections and chapters.—Sec. 13. This act shall not apply to nor repeal section 2059 of the Revised Statutes of 1905, chapter 357 of the Laws of 1907, or chapter 319 of the Laws of 1909.

Certain acts and parts of acts repealed.—Sec. 14. All acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this law are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of July, 1911.

Approved April 15, 1911.

CHAPTER 157—H. F. No. 155.

An Act to amend sections 1 and 3 of chapter 370 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1909 relating to the issue of bonds by cities of over 50,000 inhabitants for the construction of new fire engine houses and buildings, etc.

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

One hundred thousand dollar bond issue authorized.—Section 1. That section 1 of chapter 370 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1909 authorizing the issuance of bonds by any

city of over fifty thousand inhabitants for the purpose of acquiring sites and for the construction of new fire engine houses and buildings, etc., be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

\$100,000 bond issue authorized for new fire engine houses and equipments.—Section 1. Any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants is hereby authorized and empowered, acting by and through the common council of such city, by ordinance duly enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than three-fourths of all members elect of such common council, to issue and sell not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) par value in and of the bonds of such city for the purpose of acquiring sites therefor and for the construction and equipment of new fire engine houses and buildings, fire alarms, telegraph and equipments and for acquiring new and additional equipment for the fire department of such city; provided, that not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) par value of such bonds shall be issued in any one year prior to January 1st. 1914, and no such issue shall be valid if made thereafter.

To run for thirty years at 4½ per cent.—Sec. 2. That section 3 of said chapter 370 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1909 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

To run for no longer than 30 years at 4½ per cent.—Section 3. No bonds shall be issued by any such city, under this act, for the purposes hereinbefore named, to run for a longer term than thirty years, or bearing a higher rate of interest than four and one-half 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 by the common council or city council and the same may be in the form of coupon bonds or registered certificates, so-called. All such bonds shall be signed by the mayor, attested by the city clerk and countersigned by the city comptroller, and shall be sealed with the seal of such city, except that the signature to the coupons attached to such bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon, and none of such bonds shall be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest, and then only to the highest bidder therefor.

Application.—Sec. 3. This act shall not be applicable to any city existing under a charter framed and adopted under section thirty-six of article four of the state constitution.

Approved April 15, 1911.