

year 1907 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Rates—How established.—Sec. 7. Said commission shall fix all water and lighting rates to patrons, and rents for public halls and buildings as hereinbefore provided; *provided*, however, that the provisions of this act shall not impair the obligations of existing contracts; said commission shall audit all claims and the said secretary of said commission shall draw his warrant upon the treasurer of said city or village for the amount allowed by said commission, and said warrant shall be countersigned by the president of the said commission. Said commission shall publish in the official newspaper in said municipality at the end of each three months, all proceedings of said commission, together with a detailed statement of all the revenue received by said commission during the three preceding months. This act shall apply to all cases where the plant or plants or buildings are wholly or in part within, or wholly or in part without, the corporate limits of said municipality.

Sec. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 18, 1911.

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#### CHAPTER 240—S. F. No. 44.

*An Act to amend section 1330 of the Revised Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 445 General Laws 1907, relating to the duties and compensation of the chairman of common school districts.*

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

Compensation of chairman to be fixed at regular school meeting.—Section 1. That section 1330 of the Revised Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 445, General Laws 1907, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1330. The chairman, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the board and of the district, except when a moderator has been chosen; shall countersign all orders upon the treasurer for claims allowed by the board; shall represent the district in all actions; and shall perform all the duties usually incumbent on such officer.

In case of absence, inability or refusal of the clerk to draw orders for the payment of money authorized by a vote of the majority of the board to be paid, the orders may be drawn by

the chairman, and paid by the treasurer, a statement thereof, with a copy of such orders, being delivered to the clerk by the treasurer, or the office of the clerk may be declared vacant by the chairman and treasurer, and filled by appointment.

The chairman may receive as compensation such an amount as may be determined at the regular school meeting of the district, but such compensation shall not exceed six dollars in any one year.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 241—S. F. No. 48.

*An Act to amend section 3637 of the Revised Laws of 1905, as amended by chapter 322 of the General Laws of 1907, and by chapter 341 of the General Laws of 1909, relating to salaries and clerk hire of the probate court.*

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

**Annual salary of probate judges.**—Section 1. That section 3637 of the Revised Laws of 1905 as amended by chapter 322 of the General Laws of 1907 and by chapter 341 of the General Laws of 1909 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“3637. Salaries and clerk hire.—In all counties in which the compensation of judges of probate is not fixed by special law, the probate judges shall receive annual salaries as follows: In counties in which the population according to the last completed state or national census is less than three thousand, four hundred dollars; if the population is three thousand and less than six thousand, five hundred and seventy-five dollars; if six thousand and less than nine thousand, seven hundred and twenty-five dollars; if nine thousand and less than thirteen thousand, one thousand dollars; if thirteen thousand and less than fourteen thousand, twelve hundred dollars; if fourteen thousand and less than twenty-two thousand, thirteen hundred and fifty dollars; if twenty-two thousand and less than twenty-nine thousand, fifteen hundred dollars; if twenty-nine thousand and less than thirty-five thousand, eighteen hundred dollars; if thirty-five thousand and less than forty-five thousand, two thousand dollars; if forty-five thousand and less than one hundred and fifty thousand, three thousand dollars;