

## CHAPTER 242—S. F. No. 68.

*An Act to exempt from taxation bonds hereafter issued by the State of Minnesota, or any county, city or village of said state, or any township, or any common or independent school district of this state, or any governmental board of said state, or any county, city or village thereof.*

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

**Certain bonds exempt from taxation.**—Section 1. That bonds and certificates of indebtedness hereafter issued by the State of Minnesota, or by any county, city or village of said state, or any township, or any common or independent school district of said state, or any governmental board of said state, or any county, city or village thereof, shall hereafter be exempt from taxation, provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed as exempting such bonds from the payment of a tax thereon, as provided for by chapter 288, Laws 1905, when any of such bonds constitute in whole or in part any inheritance or bequest, taken or received by any person or persons or corporation.

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

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## CHAPTER 243—S. F. No. 93.

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*An Act for the protection of railroad crossings with town and county roads, and streets in cities and villages.*

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

**Railroad commission to investigate complaints as to dangerous crossings.**—Section 1. Upon written complaint authorized by a majority vote of the members of the city or village council of any city or village, or by the board of supervisors of any town, or board of county commissioners of any county in this state, filed with the railroad and warehouse commission, hereafter called the commission, by the chief executive officer of said city or village, or the chairman of board of supervisors or county commissioners, as the case may be, that any railroad crossing with any street in said city or village, or town or county road, is dangerous to life and property, and giving the reasons therefor, the commission shall proceed to investigate the matters contained in said complaint, giving the complainant and

the railroad company an opportunity to be heard, at a time and place to be fixed by the commission, after such notice as the commission may deem reasonable. *Provided*, that at least one public hearing shall be held in the town, county, village or city making such complaint.

**May require railroad company to provide flagman or adopt safety device.**—Sec. 2. The commission shall decide the matter set forth in the complaint and make a report in writing thereof, including the findings of facts, and make such order as it shall deem proper in the premises, and if said commission shall find said crossing to be dangerous, it may require the railroad company complained of to provide flagman at such crossing, or adopt such safety device as the commission may deem necessary for the proper protection of said crossing, or it may require the removal of any structure, or structures, or embankment, from the right of way of said railroad company, and also require the complaining city, village, town or county to remove embankments, or structures, from streets or town or county roads as, in its opinion, may be reasonable and necessary to properly protect said crossing.

**Railroad company may appeal to district court.**—Sec. 3. Any railroad company, or the city, village, town or county making the complaint, may appeal from an order of the commission to the district court of the county in which said crossing is located, and in case of such appeal, the same proceedings shall be had as is now provided by law for an appeal from orders of the commission. All orders of the commission shall be enforced by the attorney general.

**Penalty of \$50 for non-compliance.**—Sec. 4. Any railroad company, or any city, village, town or county failing to comply with any order of the commission that is not appealed from, or if appealed from affirmed in whole or in part, shall be liable to a penalty of \$50.00 for each and every day of such non-compliance, to be collected in civil action brought by the attorney general.

**Railroad commission may compel installation of flagman.**—Sec. 5. Whenever it shall appear, from any cause, that an unusual number of trains are being operated in, or through any city or village in this state, the commission shall have power, upon complaint made by the city or village council, to compel the installation of a flagman, or flagmen, as the case may be, without a hearing, and such order shall be complied with within five days, *provided* that such railroad company may remove such flagmen whenever the movements of trains through such city or village assumes normal conditions.

**Not to abridge charter of city or village.**—Sec. 6. That nothing herein contained shall be construed as repealing, abridging, modifying or in any manner affecting the power contained in the charter of any city or village in this state to require railroads to maintain gates, flagmen or safety devices at public highway crossings therein, or any ordinance, now existing or hereafter enacted pursuant to such power.

**Chapter 396 G. L. 1907 repealed.**—Sec. 7. Chapter 396 of the General Laws of 1907, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 244—S. F. No. 103.

*An Act to legalize, in certain cases, proceedings for extending the period of corporate existence of corporations.*

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

**Extension of corporate existence.**—Section 1. That in any case where a corporation, created by and under the laws of this state, shall have within the period of its corporate existence, initiated, in good faith, proceedings authorized by law for the extension of its corporate existence, which said proceedings were taken in the month of September, 1901, and were defective, and where a resolution then adopted has not been filed, recorded and published, as provided by law, within the period of its corporate existence, said corporation shall have up to and including the 1st day of July, 1911, to adopt a proper resolution to extend its corporate existence, and to record the same in the office of the register of deeds and secretary of state, and to have the same duly published as provided by law.

*Provided*, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state.

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