

ing indebtedness, but the resolution of the governing body thereof determining to submit the question of the issuing of such bonds to the electors, and all subsequent proceedings, failed to specify the exact rate of interest which such bonds should bear, such issue of bonds is hereby, in all respects, validated and declared to be the legal obligation of such village at such rate of interest as may have been or may be agreed upon between the governing body of such village and the purchasers of such bonds, not exceeding, however, the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, payable annually or semi-annually.

Sec. 2. **Not to affect pending actions.**—This act shall not affect any pending actions involving the validity of any such bonds, or any of the rights of the parties thereto.

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CHAPTER 226—S. F. No. 404.

An Act to amend Chapter 302, Laws of Minnesota, 1911, relating to armories, providing further state aid and a tax levy for the erection thereof, authorizing appropriations by cities and villages and validating bonds heretofore issued therefor, providing for the issue of certificates and applying the proceeds of rentals of armories to the maintenance and improvement thereof.

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

Section 1. **Allowance to be made for clerical assistance, etc.**—That Section 1 of Chapter 302, General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1911, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto at the end of said section, the following: "*and allowance shall be made for the necessary clerical assistance, printing, stationery and postage.*"

Sec. 2. **\$15,000 for each armory—Bond issue provided for—Other proceedings.**—That Section 2 of Chapter 302, General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1911 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 2. To every company and battery of the Minnesota National Guard, now or hereafter organized, which shall have first deposited with the state treasurer, at least the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) as evidence of good faith, and shall have conveyed to or caused to be conveyed to the state of Minnesota, by good and sufficient deed of warranty, and free of encumbrances, the title to a site for an armory, which site shall have first been approved by said board, there is hereby appropriated the sum of *fifteen* thousand dollars (\$15,000), which together with the said deposit shall be used for the purpose of building, erecting and equipping an armory building on said site; Provided, that two or more organizations *stationed in one or*

more cities or villages may combine the appropriations available for each under this act, and erect a joint armory on a common site situated wholly in either or partly in each such city or village, if the board of armory supervisors shall deem it expedient; and provided further, that said board shall designate as near equally as possible from the several military organizations of the National Guard, which of them shall receive aid in any one year, taking into consideration the proficiency of the organization asking for aid and its needs, and giving preference to organizations not already provided with a suitable armory.

Any city or village, or two or more cities or villages jointly, in which an armory has been heretofore, is now or may hereafter be erected or authorized under the provisions of this act, may acquire and convey to the State of Minnesota, a site, and raise and appropriate money and funds in aid of the construction, repair or improvement thereof, and to that end may issue bonds payable not more than twenty years after their issue and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent, per annum, and may deposit such money and funds and the proceeds of the sale of such bonds with the state treasurer to the credit of the proper construction fund, and may make such further provision for the maintenance and improvement of such armory as may be deemed necessary; provided, that, whenever bonds have been heretofore issued by any city or village for any of the foregoing purposes, and the validity of such bonds is not now in question in the courts, the same are hereby validated and hereby declared to be legal obligations of any city or village issuing the same; and provided further that whenever the board deems it expedient, and in furtherance of the purposes of this act, it may purchase and finish armories already built or partly built, deducting, however, from the purchase price, the appraised value of the site."

Sec. 3. \$5,000 additional for each armory provided for under Chapter 302, G. L. 1911.—*The additional sum of five thousand dollars shall be available for the erection and equipment of each of the armories for which the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) only has been heretofore set aside by the board of armory supervisors under the provisions of Chapter 302, Laws of Minnesota for the year 1911, and the same or any part thereof may be applied to the payment of additional labor and material furnished or to be furnished for the erection and equipment of such armories in excess of the amount first appropriated or deposited under the provisions of said chapter and to the reimbursement of moneys actually advanced and expended in the payment thereof.*

Sec. 4. Armory supervisors to issue certificates of indebtedness—How issued.—*That Section 3, Chapter 302, Laws of Minnesota, 1911, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:*

"For the purpose of providing funds to facilitate the purchase, construction and equipment of armories under the provisions of Chapter 302, Laws of Minnesota for the year 1911, as amended, the board of armory supervisors are hereby authorized and empowered to issue certificates of indebtedness bearing interest, in the discretion of said board, at the rate of four per cent, per annum or less, payable semi-annually, such certificates not to exceed in the aggregate, the amount authorized to be expended for all armories constructed or to be constructed under the provisions of said chapter; provided, that the total amount of such certificates, principal and interest, maturing in any one year, shall not exceed the annual appropriation made by this act, and that no such certificate shall mature beyond the period of ten years from date of issue thereof. The said certificates shall be issued upon the following terms and conditions, viz.:

First. Said certificates of indebtedness shall be in such form as the said board and the state auditor may determine, and shall be signed by the president and secretary of said board of armory supervisors, and countersigned by the state auditor, who shall make and keep a proper register thereof, showing the date of each issue, its amount, the rate of interest the same bears, the date of maturity thereof, and a certificate of such registration shall be endorsed thereon.

Second. Said certificates of indebtedness shall plainly show upon their face the purpose for which they are issued, the date when they will mature, and contain a proper reference to this act, and they shall be made payable at the office of the state treasurer.

Third. The said certificates of indebtedness shall be issued in sums of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) each and the proceeds thereof shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the board of armory supervisors who shall assign the same to the several funds for the construction of armories for companies who shall have complied with the provisions of Chapter 302, General Laws of Minnesota, 1911, as amended, but no part of same shall be paid therefrom except upon warrants issued by the state auditor upon vouchers duly approved by said board, as provided by said chapter.

Fourth. The said certificates of indebtedness shall only be issued from time to time as the work of actual construction progresses and only in such sums as may be required to provide the necessary funds to pay for material and labor actually furnished, and other necessary expenses authorized by this act and after proper action by the said board duly taken.

Fifth. The said certificates of indebtedness when duly prepared and executed in accordance with this act, shall be deposited with the state treasurer and shall be delivered by him to the purchaser or purchasers thereof only upon payment to him

of not less than the par value thereof. And shall be an assignment of the proceeds of a levy and the collection of a state tax for the building of armories, to which purposes such proceeds are hereby appropriated, and which tax the state auditor is hereby required to levy and collect annually in an amount exceeding neither thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and enough more to pay the interest on such outstanding certificates of indebtedness, nor the principal and interest due on such certificates for the year next ensuing after the levy, until such certificates and interest thereon are all fully paid.

Sixth. That when any of said certificates shall mature, the said state auditor shall draw his warrant upon the state treasurer and the state treasurer shall pay upon said warrant, the amount due upon any such certificate of indebtedness, said warrants to be drawn in favor of and to the order of the person or persons holding said certificates at the time the same are presented for payment."

Sec. 5. **Rentals, etc., to be used for maintenance.**—That Section 6 of Chapter 302, General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1911, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

"Provided, that the proceeds of rentals and other revenue derived from such armories may be devoted and applied by the armory board or commanding officer controlling the same, to the maintenance, extension, improvement and equipment thereof."

Sec. 6. **Application.**—All of the provisions of this act or of any previous act of which this act is amendatory shall be construed to include and apply to any division of naval militia now or hereafter organized in this state.

Sec. 7. **Chap. 4, G. L. 1912 repealed.**—That Chapter 4, General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1912, extra session, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER 227—S. F. No. 429.

An Act regulating the hours for opening and closing polling places at all village elections held in all villages in this state having a population of more than eight hundred (800) inhabitants.

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

Section 1. **Polls in villages of over 800 may be open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.**—In all villages of this state, having a population of more than eight hundred (800) inhabitants, the polls may by resolution of the village council passed at least thirty (30) days before such election be kept open at any village elec-