

however, only two of the said judges are so acting, and there is a division of opinion, the opinion of the presiding judge shall prevail. Process may be tested in the name of either one of the said judges.

Sec. 4. **Division of business.**—The said judges, or a majority of them, may divide the business of the said court between the said judges, and may otherwise regulate said business by rules, or otherwise; and each of the said judges may separately try court or jury cases during the same term, or at the same time.

Sec. 5. All laws and parts of laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 16, 1913.

CHAPTER 321—S. F. No. 968.

An Act to amend Chapter Two Hundred and Six (206), Section One (1) of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and five (1905), as amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Ninety-five (295), Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and seven (1907), as amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Four (204), Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (1913), entitled "An Act to regulate the hiring and employment of deputies, clerks and assistants in the offices of county auditors in all counties in the state of Minnesota having or which may hereafter have a population in each of not less than two hundred and twenty thousand (220,000) nor more than two hundred and seventy-five thousand (275,000) inhabitants, and to fix the salaries that shall be paid to the county auditors and certain of their deputies, clerks and assistants in such counties."

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

Section 1. **Additional clerk hire for county auditor of Ramsey county.**—That Section One (1) of Chapter Two Hundred and Six (206) of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and five (1905), as amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Ninety-five (295), Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and seven (1907), as amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Four (204), Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen (1913), be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. That in all counties in this state that now have or may hereinafter have, according to the last completed state or national census, a population in each of not less than two hundred and twenty thousand (220,000) nor more than two hundred and seventy-five thousand (275,000) inhabitants, the salary of the county auditor shall be and is hereby fixed as at the rate of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500.00) per annum, and in all such counties the auditor shall appoint and employ one chief deputy who shall be paid at the rate of *two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2100.00) per annum*; one deputy and commissioner's clerk, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1800.00) per annum; one deputy and bookkeeper who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1800.00) per annum; *one chief clerk and draughtsman* who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) per annum; *one deputy who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) per annum*; *one settlement clerk and assistant bookkeeper* who shall be paid at the rates of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00) per annum; three counter deputies who shall be paid at the rates of one thousand and one hundred dollars (\$1100.00) per annum; *five general clerks* who shall be paid at the rates of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) per annum; *one stenographer* who shall be paid at the rate of *nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) per annum*; which above named salaries shall be payable out of the county treasury in equal monthly instalments except as hereinafter provided.

Provided, that any such county auditor shall have authority to command and employ, without additional compensation to that of such deputy or other employe's usual compensation and when, and as often and to such extent as said county auditor may deem proper, the services of any deputy or other employe in said county auditor's office for any work of said office, whether or not such work be the usual work of such deputy or other employe, or be partly or wholly the usual or proper function of some other deputy or employe.

And Provided Further, That any such county auditor may, during any year, at his discretion and as often and for as long as he sees fit, reduce the number of said five general clerks, and that the salary amounts which may be so saved, together with whatever has been saved, during such year through necessary vacancies among the other deputies, clerks and assistants of said county auditor's office, may to any extent needful in said county auditor's judgment, be used in same year by him in hiring extra clerks at the same rate of pay respectively as each

of said general clerks, for any of the regular work of his office when the same is greater or more hurried than is common throughout the year."

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

Approved April 16, 1913.

CHAPTER 322—S. F. No. 307.

An Act to permit the screening of certain streams for the purpose of private fish culture and to permit the propagation of bass in private and artificial waters and the sale thereof when so propagated.

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

Section 1. **Fish screens permitted on authority of commission.**—The state game and fish commission is hereby granted authority to authorize and permit the construction and maintenance of fish screens in all or any portion of any spring-fed stream within the state, which does not, and never has contained trout, such screening to be for the purpose of commercial trout culture.

Sec. 2. **Propagation of bass in private artificial waters.**—Said commission is also hereby granted authority to authorize the propagation and culture of bass in private artificial waters, not now containing any such fish, and the sale thereof.

Sec. 3. **How commission is to be governed.**—In granting the authority and rights set forth in this act, the commission shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter 32, of the General Laws of 1905, and all acts and parts of acts supplemental thereto or amendatory thereof, in so far as the same may be applicable.

Sec. 4. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 17, 1913.

CHAPTER 323—S. F. No. 427.

An Act to validate proceedings for guardianship in certain cases.

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

Section 1. **Certain proceedings as to guardianship validated.**—In all cases where a petition has been filed in the pro-