oaths by an officer, director, or stockholder of a corporation, so as to authorize them to protest instruments in certain cases. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Power given for taking acknowledgments for protesting bills of exchange, etc.—That Section 5747 of General Statutes, 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

5747. Any person authorized to take acknowledgments or administer oaths, who is at the same time an officer, director, or stockholder of a corporation, is hereby authorized to take acknowledgments of instruments wherein such corporation is interested, and to administer oaths to any officer, director or stockholder of such corporation as such, and to protest for non-acceptance or non-payment bills of exchange, drafts, checks, notes and other negotiable or non-negotiable instruments which may be owned or held for collection by such corporation, as fully and effectually as if he were not an officer, director or stockholder of such corporation.

Approved February 25, 1915.

## CHAPTER 21-H. F. No. 161.

An Act to empower the state highway commission to aid any village or city of the third or fourth class in the construction, rebuilding or improvement of bridges lying wholly or partly within such village or city connecting with a state road, state rural highway, or other public highway, out of the allotment to counties from the state road and bridge fund.

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

Section 1. Highway commission empowered to aid in building bridges in certain cities and villages.—The state highway commission is hereby authorized to pay into the treasury of a village or city of the third or fourth class a part of the allotment of the state road and bridge fund, made to any county situate as hereinafter specified, to aid such village or city in the construction, rebuilding or improvement of a bridge situate wholly or in part in such village or city and connecting with a state road, state rural highway or other public highway lying in the same or an adjoining county, when requested so to do by the county board of the county to which the allotment is made.

Sec. 2. County commissioners to authorize payment of allotment.—Whenever the council of any village or city of the third or fourth class shall determine that it is necessary to build, rebuild or improve any bridge, including approaches thereto, upon or forming a part of the street or highway, either wholly or partly within its limits, when such bridge shall form a part or connect with any state road, state rural highway or public street

leading into or through such village or city, the county commissioners of the county in which such village or city is situate and the county commissioners of an adjoining county in which the state road, state rural highway or other public highway with which such bridge will connect is situate, may by resolution authorize the state highway commission to pay to the village or city a designated amount out of the allotment of the state road and bridge fund made to such county or counties, to aid such village or city in the building, rebuilding or improving of such bridge, provided, however, that the aggregate amounts so to be paid from the allotment or allotments of such county or counties. shall not exceed one-half of the cost of the construction, rebuilding or improvement of such bridge, and provided, further that no payment shall be made by the state highway commission from such allotment or allotments on any bridge which is not constructed, rebuilt or improved under the general supervision of the state highway commission and in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by it.

Sec. 3. May be made during two consecutive years.—Such payments may be made by the state highway commission, on request of the board of county commissioners during two con-

secutive years.

Sec. 4. Payments to be made on estimates of state engineer.
—Such payments not exceeding in the aggregate the amounts specified by the board of county commissioners may be made by the state highway commission from time to time as the work of construction progresses and on estimates made or approved by the state engineer, not exceeding however one-half of the amount of such estimates; final payment to be made to the village or city when the bridge is completed and accepted.

Approved February 26, 1915.

## CHAPTER 22-8, F. No. 311.

An Act to appropriate money for the use of the state game and fish commission, for the purpose of gathering pike spawn, gathering bass and crappic fry, and distributing fry.

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

Section 1. \$8,000 appropriated for gathering pike and other spawn.— The sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of gathering pike spawn, gathering bass and crappie fry, and for the distribution of trout, pike, bass and crappie fry, to be available immediately, from and after the passage of this act.

Approved March 1, 1915.