

with said county treasurer in lieu of said bond in the same manner and upon the same terms as is now provided with reference to county depositories.

Sec. 3. Board of control to issue checks for claims.—Said board of control shall issue checks against the funds so deposited for pay-rolls payable to the persons employed in and about such institutions as certified to in said approved pay-roll. Said board of control shall issue checks against funds so deposited in the full amounts and to the persons, companies or corporations only, specified in said accounts, bills, claims or demands allowed as hereinbefore provided, and said checks so issued shall by number or otherwise show their connection with said accounts, bills, claims or demands. All checks issued by said board of control shall be signed by its chairman, or in his absence by its vice chairman, and shall be attested by its secretary.

Sec. 4. Chairman and secretary to each give bond in sum of \$15,000.—The chairman of said board of control and the secretary of said board of control shall each give a bond to secure the faithful performance of their respective duties, payable to said city and said county, in the proportionate amounts furnished by the city and county respectively, in supporting said board of control; each of said bonds to be in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00), and to be executed by a responsible surety company. Said bonds shall be approved by the board of county commissioners of said county, and shall be deposited with the county treasurer of said county. The premiums upon said bonds shall be paid as other claims against said board of control are paid.

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

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CHAPTER 5—H. F. No. 82.

An Act relating to boards of park commissioners in cities in the State of Minnesota which now have or hereafter may have 20,000, and not more than 50,000, inhabitants, and to authorize and empower such boards to issue bonds for filling, bridging, and improving driveways and walks across lakes and providing funds for the improvement, maintenance and government of parks and parkways and for the payment of bonds issued by such boards.

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

Section 1. Bond issue of \$35,000 authorized for park purposes in certain cities.—That in each city in the State of Minnesota which now has or hereafter may have 20,000 and not more than 50,000 inhabitants, and which now or hereafter has a board

of park commissioners having jurisdiction over public parks and parkways of such city, said board is hereby authorized and empowered, by a majority vote of its members, to issue the bonds of such city with coupons attached, to be denominated "Park Bonds," to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as said board may deem necessary, in addition to all bonds heretofore authorized, for the purpose of filling, refunding the payments for filling heretofore done, bridging, establishing a driveway and walks across any lake within the boundaries of such city and paving and making such other improvements in connection therewith as to said board may seem proper.

For the purposes of this act the population of each city of this state shall be ascertained and determined according to the last census taken under and pursuant to the laws and authority of the State of Minnesota.

Sec. 2. Denominations of bonds and when payable.—One-half of said bonds shall be of the denominations of one hundred dollars and the other half of the denominations of one thousand dollars each, and shall be payable at such place and at such times within 35 years from the date of their issue as said board may designate, and any portion of said principal sum not exceeding five thousand dollars may be made payable in any one year, any provision of the charter of such city or the general laws of this state to the contrary notwithstanding.

Said bonds shall be drawn payable to bearer or to the order of the person or corporation to whom they may be delivered, as said board may deem best and shall draw interest payable annually or semi-annually at such place as said board may determine, at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum to be represented by coupons attached to said bonds. Said bonds shall be signed by the president and secretary of said board and attested by the city recorder or clerk of such city and the corporate seal of such city shall be imprinted thereon, and such coupons shall be signed by the secretary of said board or a fac-simile of his signature be printed thereon.

Sec. 3. Register of bonds to be kept by clerk.—It shall be the duty of said board and of the recorder or clerk of such city to keep an accurate register of all bonds issued under the provisions of this act, showing the number, amount, dates of issue and maturity of each bond; and for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds, the said parks and improvements thereon shall be irrevocably pledged with a first lien thereon and such city shall be irrevocably bound for the payment thereof; and said bonds may be sold by said board upon such terms and for such prices as in its judgment are the best which can be obtained for the same; provided the sum realized therefrom shall not be less than par.

Sec. 4. Use of proceeds from sale.—The proceeds of all bonds issued under and by virtue of this act shall be devoted to the purpose or purposes herein contemplated, including the fees and expenses of the engineers employed in connection therewith.

Sec. 5. No bond to be issued after five years from date of act.—No bonds shall be issued by virtue of this act after five years from the date of its passage.

Sec. 6. Estimate for payment of bonds required annually.—Said board of park commissioners of each such city shall annually on or before the first day of September in each year, transmit to the recorder or clerk of such city an estimate in writing of the amount of money necessary for the payment of bonds issued by said board under this or any prior act, the interest thereon and also the amount of money that will be required for the improvement, maintenance and government of parks and parkways, during the succeeding fiscal year, and said city recorder or clerk shall certify the same to the county auditor of the county in which such city is located; provided, however, that no more than seven thousand five hundred dollars shall be expended in any one year for the improvement, maintenance and government of such parks and parkways, other than as contemplated in Section 1 of this act, unless authority therefor be first obtained by said board from the city council or other governing body of such city. The county auditor shall proceed to determine what per cent on the taxable property of such city, the sum thus certified by said recorder or clerk, is, and shall extend the same on the next general tax list in a separate column, and the same shall be collected in the same manner as other city taxes, and all the provisions of law in respect to the collection of state and county taxes, and proceedings to enforce the same, so far as applicable, shall apply to said assessment and taxes.

The money collected from such taxes and the proceeds from all bonds issued by said board shall be placed by the treasurer of such city to the credit of said board and shall be drawn from the city treasury by warrant signed by the president and secretary of said board and in no other way.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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