

of the department who shall disclose the name of any person supplying information at the request of the department shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any person who, having been duly subpoenaed, shall refuse to attend or testify in any hearing under the direction of said commissioner, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any owner or occupant of any factory, mill, work shop, engineering work, store or other place enumerated in section 8 of this act, or agent of such person, who shall refuse to admit thereto any officer, agent or employe of the department seeking entrance in the discharge of his duty, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any person, firm or corporation, or any of its officers or agents, who or which shall refuse to file with the department such reports as are required by it under the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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

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#### CHAPTER 15—S. F. No. 178.

*An act authorizing cities having a population of not more than 20,000 and situate on interstate or international waters, to appropriate money and issue bonds for construction, maintenance or repair of bridges over or partly over such waters, and to make reimbursement for moneys heretofore and hereafter expended therefor, in certain cases.*

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

Section 1. Certain cities authorized to appropriate money or to issue bonds to construct and maintain bridges on interstate or international waters.—That any city having a population of not more than 20,000 and situate on interstate or international waters be and the same hereby is authorized and empowered to appropriate money, or to issue bonds to secure money for the construction, maintenance and repair of bridges extending over or partly over such waters into another state or country, or for making reimbursement for all expenditures heretofore or hereafter made or incurred in the construction, repair or maintenance of such bridges as hereinafter specified.

Sec. 2. Governing bodies may appropriate \$15,000 from general fund for bridge purposes when authorized by vote of electors.—The governing body of such city may appropriate not to exceed \$15,000 from the general fund, or any other fund available for bridge purposes, or partly from one fund and partly from the other, whenever authorized so to do by the electors of such city in the manner hereinafter set forth, and may levy

against the taxable property of such city a tax in an amount sufficient to meet such appropriation, and may authorize the making of temporary loans in anticipation of the collection of such levy.

**Sec. 3. Issuance of bonds and denominations.**—In lieu of such appropriation the said governing body may issue bonds, with interest coupons attached, in any sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000), which bonds shall be in sums of not less than one hundred dollars each, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent, per annum, payable annually, and the principal of such bonds shall be payable at such times, not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof, as said governing body may direct. Such bonds and the interest coupons attached thereto, shall be signed by the mayor or chief executive officer of such city, countersigned by the city clerk or city recorder, and no bonds shall be negotiated, sold or disposed of by such city at less than par value, and accrued interest.

**Sec. 4. Private parties may be reimbursed.**—Whenever any such bridge has been constructed or improved, and paid for with money furnished by private persons, it shall be lawful for the governing body of such city to use in part the money so raised by tax levy or bond issue to reimburse the persons making such payments.

**Sec. 5. Governing body to determine amount to be expended, amount of bonds, rate of interest, submission of proposition to voters, and form of ballot.**—Before any expenditures or levies shall be made or any such bonds shall be issued, the governing body of such city shall by resolution determine the amount proposed to be expended or levied, or, if a bond issue be desired, the number and amount of such bonds, the rate of interest which such bonds shall bear, and the time or times when the principal thereof shall become payable, which resolution, together with a notice that the question of issuing such bonds or making such appropriation, as the case may be, will be submitted to the legal voters of such city for their approval or rejection, at a general or special election to be held upon a day in said notice named, shall be published once in the regular issue of two of the newspapers published in the English language in said city, at least ten days prior to the time of holding such election. If such question is submitted at a special election, the governing body of such city shall give thirty days notice thereof previous to the day fixed for such election, which notice shall specify the object for which such election is ordered.

The ballot to be used at such election shall be in substantially the following form: if the proposition submitted be that of bond issuance the form shall be:

"Shall the bonds of the city of \_\_\_\_\_ be issued in the aggregate amount of \_\_\_\_\_, bearing interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per cent per annum, the proceeds thereof to be used for the purpose of constructing, maintaining or repairing the bridge over \_\_\_\_\_, commonly known as the \_\_\_\_\_ bridge, or for reimbursing such citizens of such city as may have advanced money for such construction, maintenance or repair, to mature as set forth in the resolution therefor now on file in the office of the city clerk:

Yes: { }  
 No: { }"

If the proposition submitted be that of appropriation, the form shall be:

"Shall the city council (or other governing body) of the city of \_\_\_\_\_ be given authority to appropriate from the funds of said city an amount not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for the purpose of constructing, maintaining or repairing a bridge over the \_\_\_\_\_, commonly known as the \_\_\_\_\_ bridge, or for reimbursing such citizens of said city as have advanced money for such construction, maintenance or repair:

Yes: { }  
 No: { }"

If a majority of the votes cast upon such question shall be in favor of issuing such bonds or authorizing such appropriation, then the city council, or other governing body, shall be authorized to issue such bonds or to appropriate such money from the proper funds of the city in such amount as may be so determined.

For the purpose of paying the principal and interest of such bonds when issued, said city council or other governing body is hereby authorized and it is hereby made its duty, on or before the first day of September next after the date of such bonds, and each and every year thereafter, on or before the first day of September, until payment of such bonds, both principal and interest, is fully provided for; to levy and in due form of law, certify to the county auditor a tax upon the taxable property of said city equal to the amount of interest and principal maturing next after such levy, and, in the event the governing body of

such city decide to make direct appropriation without the issuance of bonds, to levy against the taxable property of said city an amount sufficient to meet the appropriation so to be made, and said governing body may, if necessary, issue the warrant of said city to anticipate such appropriation, payable when the same shall have been levied and collected, provided the electors of said city have voted to authorize such appropriation.

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

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#### CHAPTER 16—S. F. No. 163.

*An act to authorize and empower cities in the State of Minnesota which now have or hereafter may have 20,000, and not more than 50,000 inhabitants, to issue bonds for paving and curbing and for the construction of storm water sewers and for the payment of such work already done.*

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

Section 1. \$150,000 paving, curbing and sewer bond issue authorized for city of Winona.—That the city council or other governing body of each city in the state of Minnesota which now has or hereafter may have 20,000, and not more than 50,000 inhabitants, is hereby authorized and empowered by a vote of two-thirds of all its members to issue the bonds of such city, with coupons attached, to the amount of One hundred fifty thousand (150,000) dollars, or so much thereof as said council or governing body may deem necessary, for the purpose of paving and curbing and for the construction of storm water sewers, and for the payment of such work heretofore done in such city. 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. Denomination not larger than \$1,000 and payable within thirty-five years.—That notwithstanding any provision in the charter of such city or the general laws of this state to the contrary, said bonds shall be of denominations of not more than one thousand dollars each and shall be payable at such place and at such times within thirty-five years from the date of their issue as the city council or other governing body may designate, and any portion of said principal sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars may be made payable in any one fiscal year of such city.