to determine, such decision or judgment shall not be held to affect any other paragraph or provision hereof or herein.

Sec. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. All existing laws, not hereby expressly repealed, shall be construed in such a way as to effectuate and carry out the terms, conditions, spirit and purpose of this act, and to that end such laws shall be made to conform to and assist in carrying out this act.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 10, 1917.

## CHAPTER 188-S F. No. 646.

An act to amend Section 1836, Revised Laws 1905, as amended by Chapter 326, Laws 1907, which section relates to the appointment of members of the soldiers home board, so as to provide for the payment of a fixed sum and actual expense for railroad fare of said members as compensation for their services in attending meetings of the said board.

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

Section 1. Trustees of Minnesota Soldiers' Home to receive \$10 per day and railroad fare for attending called meeting of same.—That Section 1836, Revised Laws 1905, as amended by Chapter 326, Laws 1907, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1836. Said trustees shall be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, each for the term of six years, and until his successor qualifies. Vacancies shall be filled by like appointment for unexpired terms. They shall receive as compensation for their. services in attending regular meetings of the board and regular meetings of the executive com-mittee the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day for each such meeting day so attended and in addition thereto the sum actually expended for railroad fare in traveling from the place of residence of such member to the place of meeting. Claims for such compensation shall be paid by the state treasurer from the money provided for the support of the Soldiers' Home upon itemized and verified vouchers approved by the president and secretary, after audit by the state auditor. Not more than four of the trustees shall be members of the same political party, and in the selection of trustees, officers of the home, and employes of the board, preference shall be given to honorable discharged soldiers, sailors and marines. Each trustee shall give a bond to the state in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful . discharge of his duties and the economical expenditure of the

funds provided for hereunder. The trustee who shall be selected by the board as treasurer of the home shall give an additional bond to the state in such sum as may be designated by the board of trustees, conditional that such treasurer shall account for and pay over, according to the directions of said board, all moneys or other property which may come into his possession with the consent of the inmates from the inmates of such home as such treasurer. The surety on such treasurer's bond may be any surety company that is authorized to contract as such by the laws of this state, and the cost thereof shall be paid out of the home support fund.

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

Approved April 10, 1917.

CHAPTER 189-H. F. No. 59.

An act authorizing and empowering the city council, common council or other chief governing body of any city of this state of the first class not governed by a home-rule charter to refund moneys heretofore advanced for public improvements in the public streets of said city.

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

Section 1. Minneapolis city council authorized to refund money heretofore advanced for public improvements.-The city council, common council or other chief governing body of any city of this state of the first class not governed by a home-rule charter is hereby authorized and empowered to refund moneys heretofore advanced by any person for the construction of water mains or other public improvements in the public streets of said city in cases where such water mains or other public improvements were after the advancement of said moneys, actually constructed in such public streets of such cities, but which improvements were not ordered or the assessment therefor against abutting property was not made or levied respectively in accordance with the charter or other governing act of said city, and where it appears that such public improvement is available and can be connected with abutting property and has already been connected with and used by the city for public municipal purposes. Such refundment shall only be made upon verified proofs of such advancement presented to the city council, common council or other chief governing body of such cities, showing that such advancement of moneys has been heretofore made and that such cities have had and retained said moneys.

Sec. 2. Assessments authorized for improvements.—The city council, common council or other chief governing body of