

CHAPTER 119—H. F. No. 336.

An act providing for the building of bridges over navigable waters in counties having more than 73 and less than 80 full or fractional congressional townships, and having an assessed valuation of more than five million (5,000,000) dollars and less than nine million (9,000,000) dollars, providing for approaches thereto, and providing for the levy of taxes and issuance of bonds therefor.

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

Section 1. Bridges authorized in certain counties.—Any county of this state having more than 73 and less than 80 full or fractional congressional townships, and having an assessed valuation of more than five million (\$5,000,000) dollars and less than nine million (\$9,000,000) dollars, may erect within such county, a bridge or bridges, over any navigable waters, together with suitable approaches and such approaches, may include the construction or improvement of main highways for a distance not exceeding ten (10) miles from the bridge.

Sec. 2. Tax levy and certificates of indebtedness authorized. The county board of any such county, shall have power to levy, at or after the time of making a contract for any such bridge, a tax on all the taxable property of the county, sufficient to pay the cost of the bridge, and approaches, and interest thereon. Such tax shall be collected in annual installments corresponding to the amounts of interest, and principal of certificates or bonds as herein provided, falling due from year to year.

The county board may issue and sell special bridge certificates of indebtedness, or bonds of the county, sufficient in amount to pay the cost of the bridge and approaches, and engineering, and other expenses incidental thereto, the principal of which certificates of indebtedness or bonds, shall mature and be payable in not more than fifteen (15) annual installments, as nearly equal as practicable, and the first annual installment of principal shall mature and be payable not more than five (5) years after the contract is ordered.

Such certificates or bonds shall be sold in the manner provided by section 1856, General Statutes, 1913, to the purchaser who will pay the par value thereof at the lowest interest rate, and the certificate or bonds shall be drawn accordingly, but the rate of interest shall in no case exceed five per cent per annum, payable annually or semi-annually.

The county auditor shall extend the tax so levied by the county board in sufficient amounts from year to year, to cover the interest and principal as they mature.

The credit of the county shall be pledged to the payment of the principal and interest of such certificates or bonds.

Certificates or bonds not exceeding in principal amount four-fifths of one per cent of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the county, not including the valuation of moneys and credits, may be issued and sold without submission, to the vote of the people.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 120—H. F. No. 340.

An act to save to municipal, county and state employes and officers who have been called into military service their status as such employes and officers and to continue their salaries during their absence in such military service.

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

Section 1. **Municipal, county, and state employes doing military duty to retain positions and to receive continuous salaries.**—Every county, municipal or state employe or officer serving in the national guard under call of the President of the United States as a member of such guard, or stationed at or receiving training in a regularly established federal or state training camp, may be given a leave of absence from his official duties by the proper county, municipal or state official for such purpose without change in his status of employment of office. Any leaves of absence heretofore granted or taken for any such purposes are hereby confirmed. No county, municipal or state employe or officer serving or who has served in the national guard under the call of the President of the United States as a member of such guard, or been stationed at or received training in a regularly established federal or state training camp shall thereby lose his status as such employe or officer and his salary shall continue during such military service.

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

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 121—H. F. No. 547.

An act to amend Section 4631, General Statutes, 1913, relating to the superintendent of banks, his deputy and other assistants and to the duties and qualifications of such deputy and assistants.

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

Section 1. **Employes in office of superintendent of banks.**—That section 4631, General Statutes, 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

4631. The superintendent of banks may appoint, and at plea-