

CHAPTER 160—S. F. No. 485.

An act to authorize the county board of certain counties to issue, sell or exchange bonds for the purpose of funding certain floating indebtedness of such county now outstanding.

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

Section 1. Funding bonds authorized.—Where the county board of any county of this state, or the judge of any of the district courts, in pursuance of chapter 254 of the Laws of 1911, and any act amendatory thereof, has established, constructed or improved, or attempted to establish, construct or improve, any state rural highway within such county, or partly within two or more counties, and work has, prior to January 1, 1917, been actually done upon, or material has been furnished for and in the construction or improvement of any such state rural highway within the county, and the county auditor or county board has issued for or in payment of such labor or material, or both, actually performed or furnished for said purpose the warrants of the county at any time during the years 1915 or 1916, which warrants are now outstanding and unpaid for any state rural highway within said county, and there was on file in the auditor's office, at the time any such warrant was issued, a statement showing that such warrant was issued for labor actually performed or for material actually furnished; that then, and in every such case, the county board of such county is hereby authorized and empowered to fund such warrants now outstanding, by the issuance of the bonds of its county in an amount not exceeding the principal and accrued interest upon such outstanding warrants for labor and material, and to negotiate and sell the same at not less than par and accrued interest and with the proceeds thereof pay and take up such outstanding warrants, or it may exchange said bonds with the owners or holders of such warrants, dollar for dollar, principal and interest, if any.

That said funding bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the county board and countersigned and sealed by the county auditor, and shall be payable in not more than twenty years from their date, with interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and have coupons attached for the several interest payments to maturity, which may be authenticated by the fac-simile signatures of the officers signing the bonds, and the said bonds or the proceeds thereof shall be used for no other purpose than for funding the now outstanding warrant indebtedness of the county incurred for the purposes aforesaid within the said years of 1915 or 1916, or both.

Sec. 2. State not obligated to more than 50% on state rural highway.—This act shall not in any way be construed as obligating the state of Minnesota to pay more than 50 per cent of the contract price of any state rural highway that has been partially or entirely completed.

Sec. 3. **Not to affect pending actions.**—This act shall not affect any actions or appeals now pending in which the validity of any warrant issued by any county auditor is called in question.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 161—S. F. No. 538.

An act authorizing the printing of the annual report of the inspector of mines by the county for which he was appointed and ratifying any payments heretofore made for printing such reports. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. **Report of inspector of mines ordered printed.**—That the county board of any county of this state in which there is now or hereafter may be an inspector of mines, appointed by the county board of any county as provided in chapter 166, General Laws of Minnesota for 1905, is hereby authorized to cause such number of copies as it shall deem advisable, of the annual report of such inspector of mines to be printed in pamphlet form and circulated at the expense of said county, the costs thereof to be paid out of the general revenue fund of said county as other claims against said county are paid.

Sec. 2. **Sealed proposals for printing authorized.**—If said county board shall deem it advisable to cause said annual report to be printed and circulated as aforesaid, it shall direct the county auditor to call for sealed proposals for printing said report to be submitted to said county board of which at least two weeks' published notice shall be given by publication thereof in the official newspaper of said county, stating the time and place where such proposals will be received, and the contract for printing such report shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, shall be duly executed in writing and the person to whom the same is awarded shall give a sufficient bond to the board for its faithful performance. If no satisfactory bid for doing such work is received the board may readvertise.

Sec. 3. **Previous payments for printing legalized.**—Any payment heretofore made or contracted to be made by any county board for the printing of any such annual report of the inspector of mines of said county, is hereby legalized and declared to be valid in all respects as though made in compliance with the terms of this act.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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