

because of any such improvement, shall be awarded and paid one-half of the total damages awarded on account of the obligation to construct and maintain any such bridge.

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

Approved April 4, 1919.

CHAPTER 173—S. F. No. 521.

An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 202, Session Laws of Minnesota for the year 1917, relating to the salary of register of deeds in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Salary of register of deeds in certain counties.—

The county board shall, at its January meeting in each year, fix the salary of the register of deeds in each and every county in which there are not less than forty-eight townships, which has an area of not less than one million acres nor more than a million and a half acres, and whose population, according to the census then last taken was not less than fifteen thousand nor more than thirty thousand, and whose valuation is not less than ten million dollars nor more than twenty-five million dollars; and said salary shall be not less than two thousand (\$2,000) dollars and not to exceed two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars a year, payable in twelve equal monthly installments, shall be full compensation for the individual work of said register of deeds, as such official.

Sec. 2. Appointment of deputies.—The register of deeds may appoint such deputies and clerks as he may deem necessary for the work of the office and recommend a salary to be paid them and each of them, but said appointment shall not take effect until it is approved by the county board, nor shall the salary recommended be given until the same is also approved by the county board, and said approval shall be made at the January meeting of the board on each year. If the register of deeds shall not have made his said appointments before the said meeting, the county board shall do so instead of said official.

Sec. 3. Fees to be placed to credit of county revenue fund.—All of the fees taken by the register of deeds and all office compensation and emoluments due for any work done, which it is the duty of the register of deeds to do, shall be collected by him and remitted to the county treasurer and by him placed in and charged to the general revenue fund of the county.

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

Approved April 4, 1919.