

oral or written, including aliens and also including minors who are legally permitted to work under the laws of the state, who for the purpose of making election of remedy under this act shall be construed the same, and have the same power of contracting and electing as adult employes.

Approved April 4, 1919.

CHAPTER 177—H. F. No. 226.

An act to amend Section 7522 of the General Statutes 1913, relating to the time when pleadings in justices' courts shall take place.

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

Section 1. **Pleadings in justice's courts.**—That section 7522 of the General Statutes 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 7522. The pleadings in justices' courts shall take place at the time mentioned in the summons for the appearance of the parties or at such time thereafter, not exceeding one week, as the justice may appoint for the convenience of the parties and by their consent. *Unless the defendant at the time the summons is returnable shall be required by order of the court to plead, he shall have right to plead at the time to which the cause is continued.*

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

Approved April 4, 1919.

CHAPTER 178—H. F. No. 341.

An act providing a method of garnishing or attaching wages or money due any workman or laborer employed on county road work under the provisions of Chapter 182, General Laws of Minnesota for 1915, as amended by Chapter 69, General Laws of Minnesota for 1917, in any county of this state now or hereafter having an area of over 5,000 square miles.

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

Section 1. **Procedure for garnisheeing or attaching wages of laborers on public work in certain counties.**—That in any county of this state now or hereafter having an area of over five thousand (5,000) square miles, in order to attach or hold by garnishment, attachment, execution or other process any wages due for labor to any laborers, workmen or other persons who have performed manual labor on any county road, and the claims or wages of any persons who have furnished teams, wagons, scrapers or other tools and machinery in the performance of work on such roads, for the use of such teams and such equipment, when any such claims shall

be due and payable under the provisions of chapter 182, General Laws of Minnesota for 1915, as amended by chapter 69, General Laws of Minnesota for 1917, it shall be necessary for the garnishment summons, writ of attachment, writ of execution or other legal process to be personally served upon the county road overseer, superintendent or foreman designated by the county board to have charge of the construction, improvement or maintenance of any such road and also authorized by said county board to issue time checks in payment of said work under the provisions of said chapter 182, General Laws of Minnesota for 1915, as amended, and such personal service of said garnishment summons, writ of attachment, writ of execution or other legal process for the attaching of such wages or money due from any such county must be made upon such county road overseer, superintendent or foreman prior to the issuance and delivery by him of any time check in payment of such wages or money due from said county. That any garnishment summons, writ of attachment, writ of execution or any other legal process served upon any county road overseer, superintendent or foreman, after the issuance and delivery of any such check hereinbefore referred to, shall be of no force or effect whatever to bind or attach any such wages or money due from any such county to any such workman or employe. That on being served with any such garnishment summons, writ of attachment, writ of execution or other process before the issuance or delivery of any such time check for wages or money due such workman or employe and upon the payment of his proper fees therefor, it shall be the duty of said overseer, superintendent or foreman to forthwith make out a time check as provided by section 2 of said chapter 182, as amended, together with an affidavit showing the amount paid to such employe during the period of 30 days next proceeding the service of such summons, execution or attachment, and that the amount set forth in the time check is the whole amount due at the time of such service, and without delay mail the original and duplicate thereof, together with such affidavit, to the county auditor of said county at the county seat, who shall retain said time check, together with such affidavit until the final determination of the action in which said wages or money are involved, and such time check and affidavit so forwarded shall constitute prima facie evidence of the facts therein set forth. That after mailing said time checks together with such affidavits to said county auditor, or in case said time checks shall already have been issued and delivered to said laborer or workman, or in case there shall be no wages or money due to said laborer or workman from said county, said overseer, superintendent or foreman shall make disclosure, whether any money or other property or effects be due said workman or laborer, as required by law and by said garnishment summons or other process so served upon him, provided his legal fees and

mileage shall have been first tendered or paid to him. Except as hereinbefore provided in this section, all other provisions of law with reference to the attaching and holding wages or money due to any workman or employe on any county road work, whether by garnishment, writ of attachment, writ of execution or other process, shall apply and be followed in such garnishment, attachment or other execution proceedings.

Sec. 2. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 4, 1919.

CHAPTER 179—H. F. No. 374.

An act to amend Chapter 7, Laws 1917, authorizing the treasurer of the state of Minnesota to receive payments on sales of school and other state lands where the time limit for payment has expired or will expire on or before July 31, 1919, and the governor of the state of Minnesota to execute patents therefor.

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

Section 1. **Extension of time for payment of principal on state land certificates.**—That chapter 7, Laws 1917, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. That the treasurer of the state of Minnesota is hereby authorized to receive payment, up to and including December 31, 1920, of the principal on all state land certificates where the time for payment of the said principal has expired or will expire on or before July 31, 1919, and the governor of the state of Minnesota is hereby authorized to execute patents covering those tracts on which all demands due the state have been paid in full as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 2. **Payment of interest.**—That interest on the principal remaining unpaid on July 31, 1919, shall run thereafter at the rate of ten (10) per cent per annum until the said principal is paid in full.

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

Approved April 4, 1919.