

CHAPTER 233—H. F. No. 454.

An act authorizing the boards of county commissioners of certain counties to issue and negotiate bonds for the purpose of paying the floating indebtedness of such counties.

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

Section 1. Bonds authorized to take up floating indebtedness.—The county board of any county in this state may issue and negotiate the bonds of said county to take up the outstanding floating indebtedness thereof now existing. Provided, that the bonds so issued shall be made payable as follows:

One-tenth on December 1st, 1924; one-tenth on December 1st, 1925; one-tenth on December 1st, 1926; one-tenth on December 1st, 1927; one-tenth on December 1st, 1928; one-tenth on December 1st, 1929; one-tenth on December 1st, 1930; one-tenth on December 1st, 1931; one-tenth on December 1st, 1932, and one-tenth December 1st, 1933; and shall not bear a higher rate of interest than six per cent (6%), and shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest from date of issue.

Sec. 2. Tax levy authorized for taking up bonds.—The county board of any county in this state that shall have issued and negotiated the bonds of any such county under the provisions of section 1 of this act, shall levy annually in addition to all other taxes, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest due on said bonds to pay the bond maturing on the first of December of the following year, which taxes shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as the general taxes are collected. Provided, that no such bonds shall be issued unless the county board issuing such bonds shall pass a resolution authorizing the issuance thereof under this act within ninety days after the passage and approval of this act.

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

Approved April 12, 1919.

CHAPTER 234—H. F. No. 457.

An act providing the procedure of the probate court to secure a grant of title to real estate located in the Dominion of Canada in performance of contract for the sale thereof by a deceased person.

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

Section 1. Conveyance of real estate located in Canada by probate proceedings.—Upon presentation to the probate court of jurisdiction of the original estate, by any person interested in the performance of the contract therein described, of a petition duly verified, setting out said contract, all facts required in an original petition for administration, suggesting the name of a suitable person as administrator and showing that the probate of an estate, of a

deceased person has been completed, the administrator duly discharged, and a contract for the sale and conveyance of the title to real estate located within any of the provinces of the Dominion of Canada has been entered into by deceased, providing for conveyance of said real estate upon the performance thereof, by the grantee therein named, is outstanding, the judge of probate shall by order fix a time and place for hearing the same and shall cause notice thereof setting forth all the essential facts alleged in the petition to be given as required by law for the hearing of an original petition for administration.

Sec. 2. Letters of administration.—On the hearing of said petition, proof of service of notice being filed, the court shall hear the proof offered by all parties and if the allegations of the petition are sustained shall order letters of administration to issue to such person as it deems entitled thereto.

Sec. 3. Bond.—Such administrator so appointed shall qualify as a general administrator and give suitable bond therein.

Sec. 4. Issuance of license to sell.—Upon performance of such contract by the grantee or assignee therein, the court shall, without further notice, issue a license to such administrator to convey such real estate in accordance with the terms of such contract, and such administrator shall execute and deliver a suitable conveyance of the title to said real estate, which conveyance shall convey in fee simple the title of such real estate to the said grantee or assignee performing said contract.

Sec. 5. Report of administrator.—When the conveyance of the said real estate is completed, the administrator shall file a report of his administration with, and apply to the court for a hearing thereon and allowance thereof.

Sec. 6. Hearing on report.—Upon such report being filed the court shall grant a hearing thereon, which hearing shall be with or without notice in such manner and extent as in the discretion of the court shall be deemed necessary for the protection of the interests of all persons affected thereby.

Sec. 7. Allowance or disallowance.—On hearing such petition and the account is found correct, it shall be settled and allowed. If found incorrect it shall be corrected under the direction of the court and allowed and settled.

Sec. 8. Supplemental or final decree.—Upon settlement the court shall determine all the facts including the instruments on file in the probate of the original estate who are the heirs of the residue of the said estate, and make a supplemental final decree to the original final decree, assigning the net proceeds from the said conveyance of real estate, being the residue of such estate, to the persons entitled thereto, and upon proof of proper disposal of said residue

by said administrator, discharge such administrator and cancel his bond.

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 12, 1919.

CHAPTER 235—H. F. No. 641.

An act to amend Section one (1) of Chapter ninety (90), General Laws of 1913, entitled "An act relating to railroad rates in this state and to increase the powers and further define the duties of the board of railroad and warehouse commission in relation to the same and to define, prevent and punish unjust discrimination in the rates charged for the transportation of freight on railroads in this state, and prohibiting any railway company doing business in this state from charging or receiving any greater compensation for the transportation of a like kind or class and quantity of property or freight of any description for a shorter than for a longer distance over the same line and empowering and directing the board of railroad and warehouse commission to make and promulgate a schedule of reasonable maximum rate of charges for the transportation of freight and cars and vesting said board of railroad and warehouse commission with power of classification of freight and of rates and railroads and prescribing a mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto and providing penalties and punishments for violations of the provisions thereof."

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

Section 1. Railroad commission authorized given authority to adjust railroad rates to protect Minnesota industries.—That section 1 of chapter 90 of the General Laws of 1913 be, and the same is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. If any railway corporation shall charge, collect or receive for the transportation of freight of any description upon its railroad for any distance within this state, a greater amount of freight, toll or compensation than is at the same time charged, collected or received for the transportation of like quantity of freight of the same class over a greater distance of the same railway; or if it shall charge, collect or receive at any point upon its road a higher rate of freight, toll or compensation for receiving, handling or delivering freight of the same class and quantity than it shall at the same time charge, collect or receive at any other point upon the same line of railway; or if it shall charge, collect or receive for transportation of any freight of any description over its railway a greater amount as freight, toll or compensation that shall at the same time be charged, collected or received by it for the transportation of a like quantity of freight of the same class being transported over any portion of the same railway of equal distance; or if it shall charge, collect or receive from any person a higher or greater amount of freight, toll or compensation than it shall at the same time