

CHAPTER 451—H. F. No. 1228.

An act authorizing any village in the state which lost its public improvements, buildings and property in the forest fire of October, 1918, to issue the bonds thereof to the state for certain municipal purposes, and appropriating \$40,000 out of the general revenue fund of the state to be loaned to such village of such bonds for the state by the state board of investment.

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

Section 1. Villages in forest fire district permitted to issue bonds for various purposes.—Any village in the state which was swept by the forest fire of October, 1918, resulting in the destruction of all public improvements thereof and of practically all buildings, residences, houses and personal property, including such thereof as were owned by the village as well as by individual residents, may issue, negotiate and sell its bonds to the state, to raise funds for the following purposes:

1. To pay off floating indebtedness.
2. Erecting a village hall, jail or other public building and equipping the same.
3. Furnishing the village or officer or both with such supplies and equipment as may be necessary to carry on the government affairs thereof.
4. Constructing or repairing water works system, sewer system, power plant and electric plant.
5. To make local improvements, provided that all statutory provisions relative to the making thereof and the proceedings in connection therewith and the assessment of property benefited shall apply, provided further that the owners of the property assessed may be permitted to pay the assessments in ten annual installments.
6. And for such other public purposes as to the council thereof may seem advisable.

Sec. 2. Majority vote of village council sufficient for such action.—Whenever any such village desires to issue its bonds for any of the purposes aforesaid, the council thereof without first submitting the question to a vote of the electors thereof, at any regular meeting or at any regularly called special meeting, may adopt, by a majority vote, a resolution stating the authority of law under which the right is claimed to issue such bonds, the purpose for which it is proposed to issue the same, the number, the face value of each thereof, the time when each bond to be issued thereunder, shall mature, and direct that the same be issued to the state of Minnesota in accordance therewith. Thereupon the treasurer of such municipality shall forthwith make application to the state board of investment to purchase the same, and upon the approval of such application by the attorney general, as to form and execution, and otherwise

by the state board of investment, such bonds may be issued, *excuted by the officers of such village, sold to and purchased* by the state of Minnesota, and shall thereupon become and be the valid obligation of the village issuing the same.

Sec. 3. **Duration and interest.**—Such bonds shall run for such period of time as the village council shall determine, not to exceed twenty-five years, and shall draw interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, interest to be paid annually.

Sec. 4. **\$40,000 appropriated from state treasury.**—To provide funds to enable the state to purchase the bonds aforesaid, there is hereby appropriated out of the general fund in the state treasury the sum of \$40,000, which shall be placed in a separate fund, and paid to the villages entitled thereto under the provisions of this act, upon the warrants of the state auditor, pursuant to directions relative thereto given by the state board of investment. The state board of investment shall not purchase for and on behalf of the state such bonds in an amount in excess of said appropriation of \$40,000.

Sec. 5. **Annual tax levy.**—An annual tax levy shall be made for the payment of principal and interest of such bonds, such tax levy to be certified by the state auditor and levied by the proper county auditor in the same manner that levies are now made for the payment of principal and interest on account of loans made by the state board of investment from the permanent trust funds of the state.

Sec. 6. **Restrictions and limitations.**—The restrictions and limitations imposed by law upon any village availing itself of the provisions of this act, relative to the issuance of the bonds thereof, shall have no application to such village insofar as the issuance of bonds thereof under this act is concerned.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 452—H. F. No. 1240.

An act relating to separate primaries and elections in cities of the first class not operating under a home rule charter.

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

Section 1. **Minneapolis city election to be held on second Monday in June of odd numbered years.**—In every city of the first class in this state not organized under section 36 of article IV of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, the elective officers thereof shall be chosen biennially on the second Monday in June of each odd numbered year, commencing on the second Monday of June, 1921, and biennially thereafter. The officers so elected shall take office on the first Monday of July