

urance.—On and after the passage of this act all organizations in any city in the state to which this act applies, existing for the purpose of paying retirement allowances or other benefits to civil employes of such city, and all funds from which such allowances are to be paid shall be subject to the supervision of the state department of insurance.

Sec. 23. **System to be ratified by voters.**—No such pension system shall be effective until it shall have been ratified by a majority of the votes of the electors of the city cast upon the question at a general or special election. The pension system shall provide for such submission.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 523—H. F. No. 943.

An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 24, Laws 1907, and Section 8 of Chapter 24, Laws 1907, as amended by Chapter 318, Laws 1913, said Chapter 24, Laws 1907, being entitled, an act creating a fund and providing for the disbursement thereof, for pensions and relief by firemen's relief associations, in cities having a population of more than fifty thousand inhabitants.

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

Section 1. Service in army to be added to police service for pension purposes.—That section 1 of chapter 24, Laws 1907, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Every firemen's relief association, now or hereafter organized in any city in this state having a paid fire department and now or hereafter having a population of more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants which is now incorporated, or which may hereafter be incorporated under chapter 58, Revised Laws of Minnesota 1905, may pay out from any funds it may have heretofore received, or which it may hereafter receive, from the state of Minnesota, or any other source, pensions and relief money to any of its sick and disabled members, or for service pensions as hereinafter provided, in such amounts, and in such a manner, as its articles of incorporation and by-laws shall designate, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$40.00 per month to any of its pensioned members; provided, however, that any one who has served or is serving, on a paid municipal fire department, shall be placed on the service pension roll, upon his making application for the same, when he has complied with the following conditions: He shall have done active duty for a period of 20 years or more; he shall have arrived at the age of 50 years or more; he shall have been, or shall be, entitled to be retired from the service on the fire department; and, provided further, that no service pension shall be paid to any person while he remains a member of the fire department. *Where any mem-*

ber of any such fire department shall, subsequent to his entry into the service of such fire department, having served in the army, navy or marine reserves or marine corps of the United States or members of the United States army and navy reserves in the world war of 1917 and 1918 and has returned, after his honorable discharge therefrom, to the said fire department, the period that he was in the service of the army, navy or marine corps of the United States shall not be deducted from the period of active duty hereinabove provided for, but shall be considered as a part and portion of his active duty in such fire department. No such pension shall be paid to any person while he remains a member of the fire department, and no person receiving such pension shall be entitled to other relief from such association. No payments made or to be made by said association to any member of the pension roll shall be subject to judgment, garnishment or execution, or other legal process, and no person entitled to such payment shall have the right to assign the same nor shall the association have the authority to recognize any assignment or pay over any sum which has been assigned.

Sec. 2. Special fund for certain payments.—That section 8 of chapter 24, Laws 1907, as amended by chapter 318, Laws 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

Section 8. The amount so paid to any city under the provisions of this act shall be by it set aside as a special fund and may be appropriated and disbursed in the same manner that other funds belonging to such city are appropriated or disbursed but only for the following purpose, viz.:

First—For the relief of sick, injured, and disabled members of any fire department in such city, and their widows and orphans.

Second—For the payment of pensions pursuant to the provisions of section 1 and 2 of this act.

Provided, that in case there exists, or shall exist a fire department relief association, duly organized or incorporated in any such city as aforesaid, shall be paid to the treasurer of such relief association instead of to the treasurer of such city.

But the secretary and treasurer of every such relief association shall prepare annually a report of all receipts and expenditures of such association for the previous year, showing for what purpose the money was paid and expended, and to whom, which report shall be filed in the office of the city clerk of the city in which such association is situated, and a duplicate of such report shall also be filed with the state auditor before any money shall be paid to any such relief association. The money paid to such relief association shall be expended only for the pensioning and relief of sick, injured, disabled and retired members of any fire department in such city, and their widows and orphans, as authorized and permitted by this act.

For the purpose of this act no substitute fireman, or anyone serving on probation, or any fireman in a city having a relief association in its fire department who is not a member of such association, shall be deemed to be a fireman within the meaning of this act.

The term widow shall mean a woman who was the wife of the fireman or pensioner during the time he was an active fireman; provided, that she was married to him three or more years prior to the time when such fireman becomes, or would have become, if he had lived, eligible to receive a service pension.

The term widow shall not include the surviving wife who has deserted a fireman or pensioner, or who has not been dependent upon him for support, nor shall it include the surviving common law wife of such fireman or pensioner.

The treasurer of every such relief association, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give a good and sufficient bond to said relief association conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, and for the safe keeping and paying over, according to laws, of all moneys which come into his hands as such treasurer.

Provided, further, that no such moneys shall be paid to any such relief association hereafter organized, unless such organization is made with the consent of the council of the city to which such organization belongs.

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

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CHAPTER 524—H. F. No. 997.

An act authorizing and empowering cities of Minnesota of over 50,000 inhabitants and not governed under a home rule charter to establish, construct, equip, maintain and operate public comfort and toilet stations in such city and to acquire by purchase, lease of condemnation lands, sites and buildings necessary therefor and to make rules and regulations relative thereto and provide penalties for violations of such rules and regulations.

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

Section 1. Minneapolis authorized to maintain public comfort stations and issue \$50,000 bonds for the same.—Each city of this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants and not governed under a charter adopted pursuant to section 36, article 4 of the state constitution, in addition to all other powers now possessed by the city, is here-