

*by a board of tax levy, or other corresponding body, and requiring that the estimate of the county board for said fund shall be allowed in full and included in the tax levy.*

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

**Section 1. 2 mill tax levy for roads in certain counties.**—Chapter 145, Session Laws 1919, is hereby amended to read as follows: In all counties in this state now or hereafter having a population of 300,000 or more inhabitants where the maximum rate of taxation for county purposes is fixed by a board of tax levy, or other corresponding body, the annual estimate of the county board for the road and bridge fund of such county as filed with such board of tax levy, or other corresponding body, to an amount not exceeding two mills on the dollar of the taxable valuation of such county, shall be allowed in full, for the years 1921 and 1922 and shall be included in the tax levy and shall not for any reason be reduced, altered or amended.

**Sec. 2.** All acts or parts of acts whether general or special, inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 13, 1921.

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#### CHAPTER 229—H. F. No. 214.

*An act to amend Section 7020, General Statutes 1913, as amended by Chapter 285 of the General Laws of 1917, relating to liens for labor and material, for improvement of real estate.*

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

**Section 1. Mechanics, laborers and materialmen.**—That Section 7020, General Statutes 1913, as amended by Chapter 285 of the General Laws of 1917, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**Section 7020**—Whoever contributes to the improvement of real estate by performing labor, or furnishing skill, material or machinery for any of the purposes hereinafter stated, whether under contract with the owner of such real estate or at the instance of any agent, trustee, contractor or subcontractor of such owner, shall have a lien upon said improvement, and upon the land on which it is situated or to which it may be removed, for the price or value of such contribution; that is to say, for the erection, alteration, repair, or removal of any building, fixture, bridge, wharf, fence, or other structure thereon, or for grading, filling in or excavating the same, or for *clearing, grubbing, or first breaking*, or for digging or repairing any ditch, drain, well, fountain, cistern, reservoir, or vault thereon, or for laying, altering or repairing any sidewalk, curb, gutter, paving, sewer, pipe, or conduit in or upon the same, or in

or upon the adjoining half of any highway, street or alley upon which the same abuts.

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

Approved April 13, 1921.

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CHAPTER 230—H. F. No. 220.

*An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 238, General Laws of 1915 relating to consolidating of school districts.*

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

Section 1. **Certain districts to receive aid as consolidated districts.**—That Section 2, Chapter 238, General Laws of 1915 be, and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

“Section 2. To receive state aid as a consolidated school of Class A or Class B, as defined in this act, the consolidated districts must contain not less than twelve sections: *Any existing school district having the area and meeting the requirements specified in this act may be granted the rights and privileges of a consolidated school district upon formal application to the commissioner of education pursuant to resolutions adopted by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the full school board, accompanied by a plat prepared by the county superintendent of schools of the county in which the school is located. Provided that this act shall not affect the rights or status of any consolidated school district now organized.*”

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

Approved April 13, 1921.

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CHAPTER 231—H. F. No. 264.

*An act to amend Chapter 28, Laws 1919, relating to investments and deposits of insurance companies, and repealing inconsistent acts.*

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

Section 1. **Insurance funds may be invested in farm loan bonds or loaned on real estate.**—That section 1, of Chapter 28, Laws 1919, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. The funds of any insurance company or fraternal beneficiary association organized under the laws of the state of Minnesota or licensed to do business therein, in addition to the investments already authorized by law, may be invested in Federal farm loan bonds, or, if approved by the commissioner of insurance in loans upon leasehold estates in improved real property for a