

able injury to the telephone system so compelled to be connected. The term "physical connection" as used in this section shall mean such number of complete wire circuits and connections as may be required to furnish reasonable and adequate service between such telephone lines and exchanges. In case of failure of the telephone companies concerned to allow or agree upon such physical connection or connections, or the terms and conditions upon which the same shall be made, application may be made to the commission for an order requiring such connection and fixing the compensation, terms and conditions thereof, and if after investigation and hearing the commission shall find that such physical connections will not result in irreparable injury to such telephone properties, it shall by order direct that such connections be made, and prescribe reasonable conditions and compensation therefor and for the joint use thereof, and by whom the expense of making and maintaining such connection or connections shall be paid; provided, however, that the public convenience shall not be deemed to demand a connection between an exchange and any rural telephone line where by existing connections or telephone lines, adequate service is already furnished or available to the inhabitants of the territory affected. The telephone companies so connecting shall give service over the connecting line or lines without preference to or discrimination against any service or telephone company whatever.

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

Approved April 18, 1921.

CHAPTER 355—H. F. No. 614.

An act, relating to the salaries and clerk hire of clerks of courts in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Salary and clerk hire of clerk of court in certain counties.—In each county of this state now or hereafter containing more than sixty and less than eighty congressional townships, and which now has or may hereafter have a population of more than 45,000 and less than 75,000 inhabitants, according to the last preceding state or federal census, the clerk of the district court shall be entitled to a sum to be fixed by the board of county commissioners of such county at not to exceed twelve hundred (\$1200.00) dollars for clerk hire. Said clerk hire shall be paid monthly, for services actually rendered, upon the presentation of a certificate of the clerk of the District Court to the county auditor who shall issue to such person entitled

thereto his warrant upon the county treasurer of said county for the amount therefor. The compensation of the clerk of the district court in such counties shall remain as now fixed by law, except that no fees from any source except those received for naturalization papers and work on the Board of Audit shall be retained by such clerk as a part of his compensation, but all other fees collected by him shall be paid into the county treasury.

Sec. 2. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All acts and 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 18, 1921.

CHAPTER 356—H. F. No. 623.

An act creating a commission to be known and designated as the Dumont Tornado Relief Commission, defining the powers and duties thereof relative to providing relief in the matter of preserving the public health and relieving the poor in that portion of the state of Minnesota comprising the village of Dumont, Traverse county, and vicinity, swept by a tornado in June 1919.

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

Section 1. **Dumont Tornado Relief Commission authorized.**—There is hereby created a commission to be known and designated as the "Dumont Tornado Relief Commission."

Sec. 2. **Governor to appoint.**—Said commission shall consist of three members, to be appointed by the governor within thirty days after the passage of this act for a term of one year, or until the work of the commission has been completed. The members of said commission shall serve without pay.

Sec. 3. **Officers.**—The governor shall designate one of said members as chairman, and shall appoint one of such members as secretary and business manager.

Sec. 4. **Vacancies.**—Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the governor.

Sec. 5. **Organization.**—The commission shall organize in such manner as to it may seem best to carry out the provisions of this act and shall have authority to employ such assistance at such compensation as may be deemed necessary.

Sec. 6. **Powers and duties.**—The commission shall have and is hereby given authority to do any and all things by it deemed advisable and necessary to provide relief in the matter of preserving the public health promoting public interest and public welfare and further the cause of education and relieving the