

CHAPTER 366—S. F. No. 295.

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 194, General Laws of Minnesota for 1915, as amended by Chapter 129, General Laws of Minnesota for 1919, entitled; "An act authorizing and empowering any special independent or common school district in the state of Minnesota, to provide for, establish and maintain schools for deaf children, blind children, defective speech children and mentally subnormal children in such school districts in certain cases, and appropriating money therefor."

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

Section 1. Provision for education of blind children when certain classes are formed.—Section 2 of Chapter 194, General Laws of Minnesota for 1915, as amended by Chapter 129, General Laws of Minnesota for 1919, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"Upon application made to the state superintendent of education by any special, independent or common school district, complying with the provisions of this act, said superintendent may grant permission to such district to establish and maintain within its limits one or more classes for the instruction of blind children who are residents of the state.

Any school district which shall maintain one or more such classes shall, through its clerk or secretary, report to the state superintendent of education annually, or oftener if he so direct, such facts relative to such class or classes as he may require.

The courses, methods of instruction and supervision, the conditions under which teachers are employed and the equipment must comply with such requirements as may be prescribed by the state superintendent of education. Teachers in such classes shall be appointed as are other public school teachers. They shall possess the usual qualifications required of teachers in the public schools, and in addition thereto such special training as the board of education or state superintendent may require.

Permission to establish such special classes shall be granted to aforesaid districts which have an actual attendance of not less than five blind children of school age, who may come under the provisions of this act: provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be construed as preventing parents of any such children from sending their children to state school for blind, if they so elect.

For the purposes of this act, any person of sound mind who, by reason of defective sight, can not profitably or safely be educated in the public schools as other children, shall be considered blind, and, after the establishment of such classes by any school district, the compulsory school laws of this state shall be deemed to apply to such children under the age of sixteen years.

There shall be paid out of the current school fund in the state treasury annually in the month of July, to the treasurer of the school district board or the board of education, in the school district maintaining such class or classes, the sum of *three hundred (\$300) dollars* for necessary school expense on account of each blind child instructed in such class or classes, having an annual session of at least nine months during the year preceding the first day of July, providing such child has been in attendance the full nine months or a proportionate amount for such time as they have attended.

It shall be the duty of the treasurer of the school district or the board of education receiving aid provided for in this section, to render annually to the state superintendent of education, an itemized statement of all expenditures of said class or classes. Any surplus at the end of the year not expended for salaries of special teachers, special supervision, special equipment, special material and transportation of pupils of such class or classes, shall be reserved as a special fund for the education of blind children of that district and can be used for no other purpose.

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

Approved April 19, 1921.

CHAPTER 367—S. F. No. 349.

An act to amend subdivision 1, Section 1, Chapter 400, General Laws of Minnesota 1913, as amended by Chapter 459, Session Laws of Minnesota 1917, and as amended by Chapter 364, Session Laws Minnesota 1919, relating to the salaries of certain state officers and employees.

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

Section 1. **Salary of executive messenger.**—That subdivision 1, of section 1, of chapter 400, General Laws of Minnesota 1913, as amended by chapter 459, Session Laws of Minnesota 1917, and by chapter 364, Session Laws Minnesota 1919, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. The yearly salaries of the state officers and employes mentioned in this act shall be as herein fixed, and all salaries shall be payable in *semi-monthly* installments.

1. OFFICE OF GOVERNOR.

Governor, \$7000; private secretary, \$4500; executive clerk, \$3000; recording clerk, who shall also be clerk of the pardon board, \$2000; executive messenger, \$2000; assistant executive messenger, \$1200; notary clerk and stenographer, \$1800.”