

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.

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#### 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."

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

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CHAPTER 368—S. F. No. 429.

*An act relating to the safety of highway bridges over railroads and providing for the condemnation and reconstruction of such existing bridges as may be deemed unsafe.*

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

Section 1. Commissioner of highways may condemn bridges—Hearing.—Upon the complaint of the commissioner of highways as to trunk highways, the county board of any county as to state aid and county roads, the town board of any town as to town roads, filed with the railroad and warehouse commission, that any highway bridge over any railroad is unsafe for the accommodation of the travel thereon on account of the strength or width thereof, the width, manner of construction or grade of the approaches thereto, the clearance thereof above the rails or for any other cause, the commission shall forthwith proceed to investigate the matters contained in the complaint, giving the complainant and railroad company an opportunity to be heard, at a time and place to be fixed by the commission, after such notice as the commission may deem reasonable. Upon such hearing, or any appeal from the order of the commission made thereon, a certified copy of any order of the commissioner of highways or resolution of the county board or town board, as the case may be, condemning such bridge on account of its noncompliance with the provisions of any existing law relating to the construction of bridges on highways, shall be deemed prima facie evidence of the facts therein recited, and that such bridge is unsafe for travel.

Sec. 2. May order bridges reconstructed.—Upon such hearing the commission shall decide the matters set forth in the complaint, and make a report in writing thereof, including the findings of fact. If it finds the facts set forth in the complaint to be true, it shall make its order directing the railroad company within a time set forth therein to reconstruct or repair such bridge in such manner as the commission may direct.

Sec. 3. Appeal.—Any railroad company, or the commissioner of highways, or the county or town making the complaint, may appeal from an order of the commission to the district court of the county in which such bridge is located, and in case of such appeal, the same proceedings shall be had as is now provided by law for an appeal from orders of the commission, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sec. 4. Failure to comply—Penalty.—Any railroad company