

tation with interest at the rate of one per cent per month and the said property may be sold in satisfaction of such judgment in the same manner as provided by law for the sale of property upon execution.

Approved April 24, 1925.

CHAPTER 362—S. F. No. 925

An act relating to the road and bridge fund of counties in which the maximum rate of taxation is fixed by a board of tax levy or other corresponding body, and requiring that the estimate of the county board for said fund may be allowed in full and included in the tax levy.

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

Section 1. Tax levy for road purposes in certain counties.—In all counties in this state where the maximum rate of taxation for county purposes is fixed by a board of tax levy, the annual estimate of the county board for the road and bridge fund of such county as filed with such board of tax levy in an amount not exceeding two mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of such county, exclusive of money and credits may be allowed in full and included in the tax levy.

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 Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts or parts of acts, whether general or special, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 24, 1925.

CHAPTER 363—S. F. No. 942.

An act to amend Section 109 of Chapter 506 of the Laws of 1921 being Section 2503 of the General Statutes of 1923 relating to the powers and duties of the board of armory supervisors.

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

Section 1. State Treasurer to keep accounts.—That Section 109 of Chapter 506 of Laws of 1921 being Section 2503 of General Statutes of 1923 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2503. The state treasurer shall keep a separate account with each company or battery which shall avail itself of the provisions of this act, credit the same with the amount of money deposited by such organization, together with the appropriation made under the provisions of this act; and all bills for the construction or purchase of armories shall, after being approved by the said board, be paid out of said account or fund, and charged to the proper organization, upon warrant of the state auditor. And the state audi-

tor shall issue his warrant upon said fund upon certificate of said board.

When any certificates of indebtedness heretofore issued pursuant to law shall mature, the state auditor shall draw his warrant upon the state treasurer and the state treasurer shall pay upon said warrant the amount due upon any such certificate of indebtedness, said warrants to be drawn in favor of and to order of the person or persons holding such certificates at the time the same are presented for payment."

Sec. 2. **Laws repealed.**—Sections 2415 and 2501, General Statutes 1923, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 24, 1925.

CHAPTER 364—S. F. No. 1015.

An act to amend Section 10112, General Statutes 1923, relating to the crime of libel.

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

Section 1. **Libel defined.**—That Section 10112, General Statutes 1923, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

"10112. **Libel defined**—A gross misdemeanor.—Every malicious publication by writing, printing, picture, effigy, sign, or otherwise than by mere speech, which shall expose any living person, or the memory of one deceased, to hatred, contempt, ridicule, or obloquy, or which shall cause or tend to cause any person to be shunned or avoided, or which shall have a tendency to injure any person, corporation, or association of persons in his or their business or occupation, shall be a libel. Every person who publishes a libel shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 and not more \$1,000 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months.

It shall be the duty of the county attorney of any county where any such offense was committed to prosecute the offender or offenders.

In any case wherein the county attorney shall fail or refuse to commence a prosecution upon the complaint of the person claiming to have been libeled, the attorney general may commence such prosecution and carry it to final conclusion, or on application the court may appoint an attorney to prosecute.

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

Approved April 24, 1925.