

city now or hereafter operating under a Home Rule Charter adopted under and pursuant to Section 36, Article 4, of the State Constitution, acting through its City Council, or Chief Governing Body thereof by whatever name known, or through its Board of Park Commissioners, is hereby authorized and empowered to levy annually on real and personal property of said City a tax not exceeding 5/10ths of a mill on each dollar on the assessed valuation of said City for the purpose of acquiring, equipping, maintaining and governing playgrounds for the public use as a part of the system of parks and parkways of said City, providing nothing in this Act shall release the City Council or Chief Governing Body or Board of Park Commissioners from the supervision of the limit of the tax as provided in the City Charter of each of said cities.

Sec. 2. **Levy to be additional.**—Any levy under this Act by any City of the First Class shall not be in addition to any levy authorized by the Charter of said City for said purpose.

Sec. 3. **Law repealed.**—Chapter 267 of the Laws of Minnesota for 1923 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 19, 1927.

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#### CHAPTER 271—S. F. No. 492.

*An act relating to reinsurance agreements by township mutual insurance companies.*

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

**Mutual fire insurance companies may re-insure.**—Township Mutual Fire Insurance Companies may enter into reinsurance agreements with other Township Mutual Fire Insurance Companies and reinsure a portion of any risk with said companies. In such cases they shall not be confined to the territory in which they are writing direct business.

Approved April 19, 1927.

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#### CHAPTER 272—S. F. No. 523.

*An act to amend General Statutes, 1923, Section 9447, Subdivision 6, relating to property exempt from attachment or sale or final process.*

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

Section 1. **Exceptions.**—That General Statutes, 1923, Section 9447, Subdivision 6, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"6. Three cows, ten swine, one yoke of oxen and a horse, or in lieu of such oxen and horse, a span of horses or mules, one hundred chickens, *fifty turkeys*, twenty sheep, and the wool from the same, either in raw material or manufactured into yarn or cloth; food for all the stock above mentioned necessary for one year's support, either provided or growing, or both, as the debtor may choose; one wagon, cart, or dray, one sleigh, two plows, one drag; and other farming utensils, including tackle for teams, not exceeding three hundred dollars in value."

Approved April 19, 1927.

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CHAPTER 273—S. F. No. 544.

*An act relating to the administration and enforcement of laws relating to pollution of the waters of the State of Minnesota.*

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

Section 1. **State Board of Health to enforce laws against pollution of waters.**—The State Board of Health is hereby given and charged with the power and duty of administering and enforcing all laws relating to the pollution of any of the waters of this state, whether such pollution affects the public health, live stock, or fish, or other aquatic life.

Sec. 2. **Board to investigate.**—Said Board is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the extent, character and effect of the pollution of the waters of this state and to gather data and information necessary or desirable in the administration or enforcement of pollution laws, and it may make such classification of the waters of the state as it may deem advisable.

Sec. 3. **Board to co-operate with other departments.**—Said Board is hereby specifically authorized to co-operate with other departments of state, other state officers, with municipalities of all kinds, with other states and with the United States, with industries, societies, corporations, and individuals to the end and purpose of protecting and freeing the waters of the state from pollution.

Sec. 4. **Board may hold hearing.**—To carry out the purpose of this act, the State Board of Health is hereby authorized to hold such hearings or investigations as it may deem advisable, and in any such hearing or investigation any member of said board or the secretary thereof, or any officer or agent of said board, appointed by it to hold such hearing or investiga-