

Sec. 2. Attorney General to direct audit.—The attorney general is hereby authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act. All offices and employes of all departments of the state government are hereby required, upon his request, to produce all public records, books and accounts in their possession, or under their control, for his inspection or that of the examiners or other assistants employed by him pursuant to the provisions of this Act. The comptroller shall direct the public examiner's division to render such aid and assistance in the conduct of such examination and audit as the attorney general may require. The attorney general may employ such additional auditors, accountants, assistants, and clerical help as he may deem necessary for the purpose of such examination and audit; and he shall have the power to subpoena and compel the attendance of witnesses and examine them under oath to be administered by him. He shall have the power to compel the production, for his examination, of all books, papers, and documents material to the purposes of such examination and audit. He may make and file with the governor, from time to time, reports of the result of his investigations, and shall make final report to the legislature at the next session thereof.

Sec. 3. Appropriation.—The attorney general may from time to time designate his deputy or one of his assistants to be in immediate charge of such examination, with all the authority hereby conferred.

Sec. 4. Appropriation.—The sum of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, immediately available and until the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1929, is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the use of the attorney general for carrying out the purposes of this Act, payable upon itemized vouchers of expenditure approved by him.

Approved April 25, 1927.

CHAPTER 431—H. F. No. 1193

An act to amend Sections 4, 7, and 8 Chapter 411, General Laws 1921, as amended by Chapter 265, Laws 1923; relative to the charges against patients committed to the Minnesota General Hospital at the university by the boards of county commissioners of the several counties of the state.

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

Section 1. County to pay expense of taking patients to hospital.—That Section 4, Chapter 411, General Laws 1921, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 4. Upon approval of such application, if the patient is unable to travel alone the *Board of County Commissioners* may appoint a suitable official or person to take the patient to said hospital and such person shall receive his actual and necessary expenses, and, if not a salaried officer of the state or any subdivision thereof, shall receive in addition \$3.00 per day for the time actually and necessarily consumed in transporting said patient to said hospital and returning. The traveling expenses of such patient, the per diem and expenses of the person appointed to accompany him, *and one-half of the expense charged against such patient while an inmate of the hospital* shall be paid by the county of residence of said patient, and it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of said county to provide for such payment.”

Sec. 2. State to pay for care of county patients.—That Section 7, Chapter 411, General Laws 1921, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 7. The Board of Regents of the University shall file a verified *quarterly* report with the State Auditor, containing an itemized statement of the expense charged against each patient received on certification of any *Board of County Commissioners*, together with the name of the county from which said patient was certified, and a statement of any sums paid by the patient, or by any person in his behalf.

Sec. 3. County to pay one-half expense.—That Section 8, Chapter 411, General Laws 1921, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 8. *The auditor shall audit the quarterly reports submitted by the Board of Regents and shall draw his draft for the proper amount against each county from which expense charges are due and deliver it to the treasurer for collection. The treasurer shall notify the county auditor of each county against whom a draft has been issued of the amount due. Upon receipt of such notice the county auditor shall issue his warrant on the poor fund for the amount due, except that in any county now or hereafter caring for the poor under a county poor commission, said notice shall be given to said county poor commission, which shall issue its warrant on the poor fund of the county for the amount due. Such warrant shall be delivered to the county treasurer who shall, if funds are available, issue his check payable to the treasurer of the state of Minnesota for the amount of such warrant. If no funds are available in the poor fund for the payment of the warrant, it shall be registered. The check or registered warrant shall be mailed to the state treasurer. All charges heretofore accrued*

against any county shall be collected in the same manner as charges hereafter to be filed with the state auditor under the provisions of this act. All payments hereunder shall be credited to the revenue fund."

Approved April 25, 1927.

CHAPTER 432—H. F. No. 1084

An act to amend Section 15, Chapter 419, General Laws 1923, referring to salary of county treasurer.

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

Section 1. **Salary of County Treasurer in certain counties.**—That Section 15, Chapter 419, General Laws 1923 be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows :

"Section 15. The salary of the County Treasurer of each county now having or which may hereafter have a population of 380,000 inhabitants or over, shall be the sum of \$6,000.00 per annum."

Approved April 25, 1927.

CHAPTER 433—H. F. No. 798

An act relative to the effect of the transfer, under certain conditions, of security receipts and equipment trust certificates as therein defined.

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

Section 1. **Definitions.**—For the purpose of this act: 1. The term "security receipt" means any writing in and by which the signer sets forth that the person named therein or the bearer is entitled to receive a specified principal amount, par value or number of bonds, notes, debentures, shares of stock, voting trust certificates for shares, of stock, scrip or other security or securities of any kind or character, identified or described therein, absolutely or when, as and if received by the signer or upon any other contingency stated or referred to therein.

2. The term "equipment trust certificate" means any writing in and by which the signer sets forth that the person named therein or the bearer is entitled to an interest or a share of a specified principal amount or par value in money in a trust under an identified trust indenture pursuant to the terms of which the title to rolling stock or equipment for use by or