

not have authority to make any such loan or investment until after the same shall be approved at a regular meeting of the members of the association, and by a three-fourths vote of all the members present at said meeting; and, provided further, the treasurer of said association shall not be held responsible for any such use or investment of such funds, under the direction of said trustees or managers, but only for the safe keeping of the securities.

But if there shall be a duly incorporated fire department relief association in such municipality, organized with the consent of the governing body thereof, such amount shall be paid to the treasurer of said relief association, to be disbursed as hereinabove prescribed for municipalities, and as hereinafter provided for service pensions, or relief of sick, injured, or disabled, active or retired members of the fire department in such city, who are members of such relief associations. In case any fire department relief association or any trustee having any of said funds in its hands shall resign its trust in relation thereto, or shall be dissolved or shall have been heretofore or shall be hereafter removed as such trustee, the district court of the proper county may appoint a trustee or trustees of said funds, or cause such trust to be executed by its officer under its direction, or such court may direct that such trust funds be paid to the treasury of the proper municipality, and all funds so held in trust or so paid to any such treasurer shall be kept as a special fund and disbursed only for the purpose provided in this section."

Approved April 11, 1929.

CHAPTER 166—H. F. No. 692

An act to amend General Statutes 1923, Section 1920, relating to board of trustees of Firemen's Relief Association and the control and use of the funds of such association.

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

Section 1. Board of trustees of relief associations.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 1920 be amended so as to read as follows:

"1920. The board of trustees of every firemen's relief association of this state shall be composed of the following persons, to-wit: Four trustees elected annually by such firemen's relief from its own members and also the following ex officio members taken from the

officers of the municipality in which the relief association is located, viz.: The mayor or president, the recorder or clerk, the treasurer and chief of the fire department thereof, and any such board of trustees of a duly incorporated relief association shall have exclusive control and management of all funds received by its treasurer under the provisions of this act, and all moneys or property donated, given, granted or devised for the benefit of said funds, and the funds received under the provisions of this act shall be kept in a special fund on the books of the secretary and treasurer of said association and shall never be disbursed for any purpose whatever except the following, viz.: (1st) For the relief of sick, injured and disabled members of any fire department in such village or city; (2nd) for the payment of pensions to disabled firemen and the widows and orphans of firemen; (3rd) for the payment of pensions to retired firemen pursuant to the laws of the state; (4th) *for the payment of the fees, dues and assessments in the Minnesota State Volunteer Firemen's Benefit Association so as to entitle the members of any fire department to membership in and benefits of such state association.* Provided, that the funds received by any relief association from dues, fines, initiation fees and entertainments shall be kept in a fund called the general fund, and may be disbursed for any purposes authorized by the articles of incorporation and by-laws of said association. Provided, further, that said relief association is hereby authorized and empowered to invest its funds in such income paying properties and securities as the council of the village or city in which such organization is located shall from time to time authorize. Provided, further, that none of the money raised by taxation as provided herein shall be paid to any firemen's relief association, or other trustee or officer, except the treasurer of the municipality wherein the same is levied, unless such firemen's relief association, or the treasurer thereof, or trustee authorized to receive the same, shall file a bond with the city clerk or village recorder, as the case may be, with sufficient sureties approved by the common council, or other governing body of such municipality, in double the amount received by virtue hereof, and shall from time to time, whenever required by such council or other governing body of such municipality, file a new or additional bond conditioned to safely keep all of said money and to disburse the same only for the purpose authorized by this act."

Approved April 11, 1929.

CHAPTER 167—H. F. No. 707

An act fixing the salary per diem and mileage of the county commissioners in counties having not less than 15 nor more than 16 full