

## CHAPTER 184—S. F. No. 1279

*An act to legalize certain obligations, appropriations, and payments heretofore made or attempted for the support of poor persons by any city of the fourth class, operating under a Home Rules Charter, and having an assessed valuation in excess of fourteen million dollars and a population of less than nine thousand inhabitants.*

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

**Section 1. Obligations and appropriations legalized.**—Whenever any city of the fourth class, operating under a Home Rules Charter, and having an assessed valuation in excess of fourteen million dollars, and a population of less than nine thousand inhabitants, has incurred any obligation, or made any appropriation or any payment in aid of or for the support of any poor person, and such appropriations, obligations, and payments are for aid actually furnished without any element of fraud, and all such claims, accounts and bills in connection therewith having been heretofore filed with the City Clerk of said city prior to the passage of this act, all such obligations, appropriations and payments and attempted appropriations and payments, and all acts in performance thereof by the officer of said city, are hereby legalized and validated.

**Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions.**—This act shall not affect any action now pending in any court of this state involving the validity of any obligation, appropriation or payment attempted by this act to be validated.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1931.

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CHAPTER 185—H. F. No. 732

*An act to amend Laws 1921, Chapter 275, Section 1, relating to the compensation and expenses of county commissioners in certain counties.*

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

**Section 1. Compensation and expenses of county board in certain counties.**—That Laws 1921, Chapter 275, Section 1, be amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. In each county of this state containing not less than fourteen nor more than twenty-five congressional townships and having a population of not less than 29,000 nor more than 33,000 inhabitants, according to the last preceding state or federal census, and having an assessed valuation of all property, including money and credits, as last fixed by the tax commission, of not less than twenty-four million nor more than forty million dollars, each county commissioner shall receive from the county in full payment for his services an annual salary of \$800.00, except that such commissioners may be allowed and paid in addition thereto their actual and necessary travelling expenses incurred and paid by them in the discharge of their official duties, *or if any commissioner shall use his own automobile in going to and from a meeting of the board, he shall be allowed not in excess of seven cents per mile necessarily traveled to and from such meeting*, provided that the total aggregate amount of travelling expenses of the county commissioners of any such county which may be so allowed and paid shall not exceed the sum of \$1,200.00 in any one year. Provided, this act shall not apply to any county in which the salaries of county commissioners are now fixed by special law.”

Approved April 17, 1931.

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CHAPTER 186—H. F. No. 1150

*An act relating to the conservation and control of the public domain and natural resources of the state, and to the organization, powers, and duties of the agencies of the state government concerned therewith.*

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

Section 1. **Department of conservation created.**—(a) There is hereby created a department of conservation under the supervision and control of a conservation commission.

(b) Said commission shall consist of five (5) members, who shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate. The first appointments shall be made as soon as may be after this act shall have taken effect. The terms of office of the members first appointed shall begin when they are appointed and qualify and shall continue thereafter for the following period: two members until April 1, 1933; two members until April 1st,