

CHAPTER 229—S. F. No. 720

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 9700, relating to contractors' bonds.

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

Section 1. **Contractors bonds.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 9700, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"9700. No contract with the State, or with any municipal corporation or other public board or body thereof, for the doing of any public work, shall be valid for any purpose, unless the contractor shall give bond to the state or other body contracted with, for the use of the obligee and of all persons doing work or furnishing skill, tools, machinery or materials or insurance premiums or equipment or supplies for any camp maintained for the feeding or keeping of men and animals engaged under, or for the purpose of, such contract, conditioned for the payment, as they become due, of all just claims for such work, tools, machinery, skill, materials, insurance premiums, equipment and supplies, for the completion of the contract in accordance with its terms, for saving the obligee harmless from all costs and charges that may accrue on account of the doing of the work specified, *and for the enforcing of the terms of the bond if action is brought on the bond, including reasonable attorney's fees, in any case where such action is successfully maintained* and for the compliance with the laws appertaining thereto. The penalty of such bond shall be not less than the contract price, and if after the giving of said bond the contract price should for any reason be increased, the obligee may require an additional bond, the penalty of which shall be not less than the amount of such increase, and if such additional bond be not furnished within ten days after such demand, the work on such contract shall cease until such additional bond shall have been furnished. Provided, that in contracts made by the state board of control or the Minnesota Highway Department on behalf of the state the penalty of the bond shall be in such amount as the state board of control or the Commissioner of Highways may fix, but not less than three-quarters of contract price."

Approved April 20, 1931.