

application for allowance under this act, whose duty it shall be to visit the homes of the applicants and ascertain all the relevant facts and circumstances including the facts specified in the preceding section and make report in such form as the court may require. *In counties having over 200,000 and not to exceed 250,000 population each person so appointed shall receive such salary as shall be fixed by a majority of the judges of the district court and approved by the county board. Such salary, however, of said supervisor shall not exceed \$2400. per annum and of said investigators \$1800 per annum. In counties having over 250,000 and not to exceed 330,000 population such salary of said supervisor shall not exceed \$1500.00 during the first year of service of such supervisor, except a supervisor in service now, who shall receive the salary now provided by law, \$1600 during the second year of service and \$1800 during and after the third year of service of such supervisor, and such salaries of such investigators shall not exceed \$1200 during the first year of service of any investigator except those in service now, who shall receive the salary now provided by law, \$1300 during the second year of service, \$1400 during the third year of service and \$1500 during and after the fourth year of service of any such investigator. Such salary shall be paid as other salaries are paid out of the county treasury, together with all expenses certified by the judge to have been necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties."*

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#### CHAPTER 327—S. F. No. 1249

*An act to amend Section 5670, General Statutes of Minnesota for 1923, relating to the maintenance of a law library in any county.*

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

Section 1. **Law libraries.**—That Section 5670, General Statutes of Minnesota for 1923, be amended so as to read as follows:

"5670. In counties having a population of two hundred thousand or more, the district court may authorize and require the county board, or other body in charge of the courthouse, to provide rooms therein for the uses of a law library, whenever the owner of any such library shall offer to furnish and maintain the same for a term of at least ten years, and to give the free use thereof, under

proper regulations, to all the judges of the district, municipal, and probate courts of the county, and to all city and county officials having offices at the county seat. Upon petition therefor being filed with the clerk, setting forth a proposal and plan for the furnishing of such library, and the reasons for accepting the same, the court shall fix a time for hearing thereon, and direct that a copy of its order, and of said petition, be served upon the county attorney, and upon the attorney of the city constituting the county seat, at least eight days before the date so fixed. Such attorneys shall appear and oppose such petition, if they or either of them believe that the public interests would not be subserved by granting the same. The court shall hear all parties appearing, and inquire as to the character of the library offered, and as to the ability of its owner to carry out the terms of the offer made and to meet the conditions proper to be imposed. If satisfied that such library should be installed, the court shall make an order therefor, prescribing the duties of the owner in respect thereto, directing that suitable rooms be provided in the courthouse for its accommodation, with necessary light, heat, and janitor service, and requiring the county board and city council to appropriate annually, until the further order of the court, not less than twelve hundred dollars nor more than *seventeen hundred fifty* dollars for the salary of a librarian and other necessary expense of caring for such library; which sum shall be apportioned, by the order, between such city and county. The owner shall retain the title and management of the library, appoint the librarian thereof, and make rules and regulations for its use; but no such rules shall restrict the access of public officials thereto, unless the same are approved by a judge of the district court. The library shall be maintained by the owner in reasonable repair and efficiency, and upon his failure so to do the court may cancel any or all orders made hereunder, and require the library to be removed. The several officials of the city and county shall take all necessary steps for carrying out the provision of this section, and all orders of the court made thereunder."

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#### CHAPTER 328—S. F. No. 1280

*An act to provide relief for poor persons in cities of the fourth class, operating under a Home Rule Charter, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation in excess of fourteen million dollars, and a population of less than nine thousand inhabitants.*