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

Section 1. Assessments for water mains.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1918-12, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"1918-12. Whenever any such city, village or borough shall have caused water mains to be laid under a general bond issue and not by special assessment, to equalize the frontage assessments, the council may cause such existing mains, if they are of cast iron, to be examined by a competent engineer and if same are of suitable size and condition for continued use, such existing mains may be assessed against the property abutting thereon at an average cost of not to exceed eighty per cent of the cost of new mains of similar quality and construction, and this assessment of not exceeding eighty per cent shall be calculated by the engineers or other competent persons, and such assessment shall be prepared and provision made for its collection as in the case of new mains.

A hearing shall be held on old main assessments and may be at the same time as a hearing of the assessment of new mains, if new mains are at that time being laid, and in all respects the action shall be the same as prescribed for new mains."

Approved April 25, 1931.

CHAPTER 346—S. F. No. 460

An act to amend Section 6303, General Statutes of 1923 as amended by Chapter 131, General Laws of 1925, the same being Section 6303 Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927 relating to the investment of the permanent trust fund.

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

Section 1. Investment of premanent school fund.—That Section 6303 General Statutes of 1923 as amended by Chapter 131, General Laws of 1925 the same being Section 6303 Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"6303. The permanent school fund, permanent university fund, swamp land fund, internal improvement land fund, and all other permanent trust funds of the State of Minnesota shall be invested in the bonds of the United States or of this state or the bonds of any school district, county, city, town or village of this state, bearing not less than four per cent interest, but no investment shall be made in bonds issued to aid in the construction of any railroad. Such funds shall be invested by a board of commissioners consisting of the governor, treasurer, auditor, attorney general and one commissioner to be appointed by the Regents of the University of Minnesota from among their members, which shall be known as the State Board of Investment, and which shall hold regular meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. The governor shall be ex-officio president of said board, which shall have a permanent secretary, who shall keep record of its proceedings. Both the secretary of the board and the auditor shall keep a record showing the number and amount of each bond, when issued, the rate of interest, when and where payable, by whom executed, when purchased, when withdrawn and for what purpose. Such bonds shall be endorsed so as to show to which trust fund they belong and shall be transferable only upon the order of said board of investment, but no bonds shall be purchased, sold, exchanged or transferred from one trust fund to another except upon a majority vote of all members of said board of investment, and no purchase of said bonds in excess of \$250,000 shall hereafter be made from any municipality in this state except in cases of emergency heretofore or hereafter arising from damage or destruction by flood, fire or cyclone unless such purchases have been heretofore approved by said investment board. In investing the permanent school fund preference shall be given to application for loans from school districts and priority shall be accorded such loans of \$25,000 and less The board of investment shall have the power to fix and to change the rate of interest on loans to municipalities within the state, provided such rate is never less than four per cent, and whenever such rate is changed after any municipality has voted its bonds to the state such municipality is hereby authorized to pay the new rate so fixed and to issue its bonds bearing such rate upon approval and acceptance thereof by resolution of its governing body."

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1931.