record. may, if he so elects, give a surety bond, recognizance or undertaking executed by a corporation authorized by law to execute such bonds, recognizances or undertakings, provided, that the amount of the bond, recognizance or undertaking as fixed by the court must be the same regardless of the kind of bond, recognizance or undertaking given.

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

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CHAPTER 387-S. F. No. 1130

An act to appropriate money for the investigation and extermination of Austrian field cress (radicula Austriaca), a noxious weed, in the state of Minnesota, and imposing upon the commissioner of agriculture, dairy and food certain powers and duties with reference to this weed.

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

Section 1. Appropriation for extermination of noxious weeds.—The commissioner of agriculture, dairy and food, hereafter referred to as commissioner, is hereby authorized and it shall be his duty to execute this law, and to that end he may make and enforce such regulations as in his judgment shall be necessary; he shall investigate the nature and extent of Austrian field cress in this state, and to that end may require information from any party or parties, public officer or official as to the presence of Austrian field cress and possible means for its eradication. For the purpose of performing his duties and exercising his powers herein he may enter, or have someone for him enter, upon any and all lands in the state and take such samples of Austrian field cress, soil or other material needed for said investigation and eradication of said noxious weed, and to these ends he may from time to time publish and circulate information through the press, publish bulletins and other publications.

It shall be the duty of the commissioner to take such steps as in his judgment may be necessary to place lands infested with the said Austrian field cress under his control for purposes of study and of practicing methods of eradication of Austrian field cress thereon. He shall have the authority to cooperate with local township and county boards, with individuals and other state officials in the exercise of his duty as herein described.

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CHAPTER 388-S. F. No. 1141

An act relating to the financial affairs of all villages now or hereafter having a population of more than 1400 inhabitants and less than 1600 inhabitants, and an assessed valuation of more than \$700,000 and less than \$2,000,000, providing for placing such villages on a cash basis, and including and prescribing penalties for violation of its provisions.

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

- Section 1. Villages not to draw orders.—That from and after January 1, 1932, no village now or hereafter having a population of more than 1400 inhabitants, and less than 1600 inhabitants, and an assessed valuation of more than \$700,000, and less than \$2,000,000, shall draw any order or warrant on any fund until there is sufficient money in such fund to pay the same, together with all orders previously issued against said fund.
- Sec. 2. Not to create indebtedness.—Whenever from and after January 1, 1932, the expense and obligations incurred chargeable to any particular fund of such village in any calendar year are sufficient to absorb 85 per cent of the entire amount of the tax levy, payable in that year, including such amount as may remain in the fund from the levy of any prior year or years, no officer, board or official body of such village shall have the power and no power shall exist to create any additional indebtedness (save as the remaining 15 per cent of said tax levy is collected) which shall be a charge against that particular fund or shall be in any