apply to the issuance of such bonds and to the payment of the principal and interest thereof; provided, however, that such bonds shall be in such form and denomination, shall mature at such times, and shall be sold in such manner as the county board and the Commissioner of Highways shall determine, and provided, further, that the county board may if it so elects sell such bonds to the State Board of Investment without calling for bids, provided, however, that such reimbursement may at the option of the Commissioner of Highways be made in cash out of the Trunk Highway Fund without the issuance of bonds by the county.

Sec. 4. Distribution of money.—The moneys thus paid to any borough, village or city shall be credited to the fund out of which the cost of such improvement was paid; provided, however, that in the event any portion of such cost shall have been assessed against property benefitted thereby or paid by any county, township, borough, village, city or school district, the governing body of such borough, village or city shall equitably apportion said moneys according to the amounts so contributed, in cash or by assessment, to the cost of said improvement, either by cash reimbursement or by reduction of such assessments.

Approved March 18, 1931.

CHAPTER 68—H. F. No. 356

An act to amend General Statutes 1923, Section 8967 and Section 8968 relating to the settlement of a defective.

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

Section 1. When resident of another county.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 8967, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 8967. Whenever the alleged defective is found to have his settlement as defined in Section 3161 of the General Statutes 1923 in some other county he may nevertheless be examined and if found to be defective committed in like manner as a person having a settlement in the county. The necessary costs and expenses of such examination and commitment shall be certified by such court to the auditor of the county in which the examination is held, who shall certify the same to the county auditor where the said alleged defective is found to have a settlement and shall be paid as other claims against such county."

Sec. 2. Proceedings when residence is questioned.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 8968, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 8968. Whenever the auditor of the county to which costs and expenses have been certified denies that such person has a settlement in his county, he or the auditor of the county where such examination was held shall send such certificate with a statement of his claim in reference thereto to the state board of control who shall immediately investigate and determine the question of settlement and certify its findings to the auditor of each of said counties. Such decision shall be final unless an appeal is taken therefrom within thirty days after its filing. Such appeal may be to the district court of the county from which such person was committed."

Approved March 18, 1931.

CHAPTER 69-H. F. No. 383

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 5551 and 5552, relating to wild animals and to the protection and taking of certain upland game birds.

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

Section 1. Open season for certain game birds. — That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5551, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"5551. Quail may be taken and possessed between October 15th and November 20th following, both inclusive, but nothing in this chapter shall be construed to permit the taking or killing of Canada spruce grouse, or of wild turkeys or Hungarian Gray partridges. Partridge or ruffed grouse and Chinese ringneck or English pheasants may be taken and possessed only in such counties of the State and during such times in the several counties, not exceeding any 21 days, between October 15th and December 1st following, both days inclusive, in any year in any county, and subject to such other provisions not inconsistent with law, as the commissioner may by regulation from time to time prescribe so as properly to protect such partridges or ruffed grouse and pheasants and prevent the undue depletion thereof, according to the conditions in the respective counties; provided, that no new regulation or amendment of any existing regulation shall become effective in any season unless promulgated and published according to law on or before the first day of October next preceding such season. No game birds made be taken at any time or in any manner within the limits of any public highway, except migratory game birds."