

to official business or attending any state or national teachers' or county superintendents' meeting or convention, provided said county board by resolution shall first authorize said county superintendent of schools, *his deputies or supervisors*, to attend any such meeting or convention outside the limits of said county, *or thereafter ratify the same.*"

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

Approved April 21, 1933.

CHAPTER 371—S. F. No. 1131

An act relating to the expenditures of moneys in any county having an area of more than five thousand square miles and a population of more than 150,000 inhabitants and providing penalties for violation thereof, and legalizing any and all claims for labor, materials, merchandise and supplies attempted to be contracted for in such counties by an individual county commissioner without authorization by the county board as against the claim that said county commissioner exceeded his legal authority in attempting to make any such contracts or as against the claim that the total amount of said claim exceeded the amount apportioned to said county commissioner's district for the year's purposes or as against the defense that the allowance and payment of any such claims would be contrary to law and authorizing the county board of any such county to audit and allow any such claims.

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

Section 1. Expenditures of monies and certain contracts legalized in certain counties.—That in any county of this state having an area of more than 5,000 square miles and a population of less than 225,000, wherein a member of the county board of said county, prior to January 1, 1933, attempted to contract indebtedness in the name of said county for road and bridge work and labor of any kind; and for materials, merchandise and supplies for county use, without previous authorization by the county board of said county, and in excess of funds previously apportioned for the use in the said county commissioner's district, all such attempted contracts and indebtedness for said road and other labor or service and for any and all materials, merchandise and supplies for county use, are hereby declared to be legal and valid claims against said county as against the claim that the total amount of said claims

exceeded the funds apportioned for use during the current year in said county commissioner's district, or against the defense that the allowance and payment thereof would be contrary to law; and the county board of such county may by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of said board, audit and allow any or all of the above described claims, and provide for payment thereof out of the road and bridge fund of said county. That the county board of any such county shall allow not more than one half of said overdraft, to be paid out of current road and bridge fund levied for the year 1933, and the balance thereof out of road and bridge fund levied or to be levied for the year 1934, and said unpaid portion of said overdraft may be carried as an overdraft on the books of the county auditor until paid out of said road and bridge fund.

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions.—This Act shall not affect any action now pending in any court of this state.

Sec. 3. County board to allot funds.—In any county of this state having a population of more than 150,000 and an area of more than 5,000 square miles, the County Board, at the time of preparing the budget required by Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 808, shall as a part of such budget provide therein how much of the moneys allocated for road and bridge purposes shall be expended in each of the Commissioner Districts in said county.

Sec. 4. Violation a gross misdemeanor.—Any County Commissioner, or any other county officer or employe, who shall contract, vote or bargain for the expenditure of money in any Commissioner's District from such road and bridge fund, the payment of which, including the amount already contracted, voted or appropriated, to be expended in any fiscal year, shall exceed the amount specifically determined to be expended in such district in such budget, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 5. Contracts in excess to be null and void.—Every contract attempted to be entered into, or indebtedness or pecuniary liability attempted to be incurred for, material furnished or services performed in the construction, improvement or repair of county roads and bridges within such Commissioner District, which, when added to the amount already contracted, voted or appropriated for such purpose in such Commissioner District, shall exceed in any fiscal year the amount specifically appropriated to be expended in such District in such budget, shall be null and void in regard to any obligation thereby sought to be imposed upon the county. No claim therefor shall be allowed by the County Board, nor shall the County Auditor issue, nor the County Treasurer pay, any warrant issued on account thereof, and no recovery shall be had thereon on any theory of

express or implied contracts or for benefits claimed to have been received by the county as a result thereof.

Sec. 6. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 21, 1933.

CHAPTER 372—S. F. No. 1149

An act relating to the employment or appointment of common, unskilled or semi-skilled labor by any city of the first class located in any county having a population of not less than 275,000 inhabitants and not more than 350,000 inhabitants, including any such city operating under a charter adopted pursuant to the provisions of Section 36, Article 4, of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, under certain conditions, and repealing all laws and parts of laws, ordinances and charter provisions inconsistent herewith.

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

Section 1. **Civil service rules for unskilled labor.**—That no city of the first class located in any county having a population of not less than 275,000 inhabitants and not more than 350,000 inhabitants including any such city operating under a charter adopted pursuant to the provisions of Section 36, Article 4, of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, shall require any person seeking employment or appointment as a common, unskilled or semi-skilled laborer to be placed in any classified service subject to civil service rules and regulations in relation thereto as a condition to any such employment or appointment.

Sec. 2. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All laws and parts of laws, ordinances and charter provisions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 21, 1933.

CHAPTER 373—S. F. No. 1161

An act amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 10935, Subdivision 4, relating to legal newspaper qualifications.