

exclusive of monies and credits, to set aside a sum not exceeding \$2000 as a contingent fund for the county sheriff and providing for the payment therefrom of his necessary expenses incurred in the business of the county.

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

Section 1. Contingent fund for county sheriff in certain counties.—That in all counties of this state now or hereafter having an area of 1830 square miles and having an assessed valuation of not less than \$3,000,000 and not more than \$6,000,000 exclusive of monies and credits as officially equalized by the State Tax Commission, the county board of any such county may set apart yearly or at any of its regular adjourned meetings a sum not exceeding \$2000 as a contingent fund for the sheriff of such county for defraying his necessary expenses in the investigation of criminal cases and paying his necessary mileage and expenses incurred in the business of the county.

Sec. 2. Method of disbursement.—All disbursements from such fund shall be made upon written request of the county sheriff accompanied by a verified and itemized account requesting the issuance of an auditor's warrant which said statement shall be approved by and said warrant counter-signed by a judge of the district court.

Approved January 6, 1934.

CHAPTER 55—H. F. No. 267

An act authorizing all villages of this state situated in counties having an assessed valuation of not more than \$2,000,000.00 and a population of not more than 5,000 inhabitants to acquire, either by lease, gift, purchase, devise, condemnation or otherwise in fee simple, land, buildings, and other structures for a municipal field and airport, and providing for the payment thereof.

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

Section 1. Villages may acquire airports.—Every village of this state, situated in counties having an assessed valuation of not more than \$2,000,000.00 and a population of not more than 5,000 inhabitants is hereby authorized by resolution of the council to

establish and maintain a municipal flying field and airport, to acquire land by lease, gift, purchase, devise or condemnation from time to time necessary for that purpose, and to erect thereon terminal and other buildings and structures necessary and suitable for the operation thereof.

Sec. 2. **May take possession.**—Such village may, at any time after the filing of the petition in the condemnation proceedings, take possession of said lands to be used, and except as herein provided, such condemnation proceedings shall be exercised only under and pursuant to the provisions of the statutes of the State of Minnesota relating to eminent domain.

Sec. 3. **Tax levy.**—The cost of establishing and maintaining any airport established and maintained in pursuance with the provisions of this act shall be paid from the funds of the water and light department of any such village and if such funds are not sufficient therefor, the council of such village is hereby authorized to levy a tax, upon all taxable property of such village, in an amount sufficient to pay the balance of such costs.

Approved January 9, 1934.

CHAPTER 56—H. F. No. 263

An act providing for the support of fire departments and fire department relief associations through the collection of dues from property owners carrying no fire insurance, or carrying fire insurance in unlicensed companies; providing for the collection thereof, and providing penalties for violations hereof.

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

Section 1. **Statement of ownership of property to be made to insurance commissioner.**—The owner of any property situated in any municipality having an organized fire department, or a partly paid or volunteer department, shall upon demand of the Commissioner of Insurance furnish to such Commissioner a statement, verified by affidavit, showing the description and location of the property, the amount of insurance he has effected against loss or damage by fire, the number of the policy or policies, the name and location of the company or companies issuing such policy or policies, and the pre-