

Sec. 9. Board to administer relief.—The Board, acting as the State Welfare Body shall administer the direct relief and the work relief herein provided for, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 89 of the Session Laws of 1933.

Sec. 10. Provisions severable.—The various provisions of this Act shall be severable. Should any provision of this Act be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction the remaining portions of this Act shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 11. Limitations as to time.—This Act shall remain in force and effect from and after its passage, until July 1st, 1935, provided, however, that this section shall not operate to terminate the appropriation made in section 5 hereof before all certificates of indebtedness issued under authority of section 6 hereof have been paid in full.

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CHAPTER 68—H. F. No. 216

An act authorizing the reappraisal of the timber on certain premises heretofore sold by the State, and also a determination of the damages caused to said premises by a public road and authorizing the crediting of certain amounts on the unpaid portion of the purchase price of said premises.

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

Section 1. Appraisal of timber lands.—That the timber on the real estate described in Laws 1927, Chapter 443, Section 126, and sold by the state to Arthur R. Miller, be reappraised as of November 16, 1923, and if the amount for which said timber is appraised upon such reappraisal is less than the amount for which such timber was originally appraised under and pursuant to Laws 1927, Chapter 443, Section 126, the state auditor is hereby authorized and directed to credit upon that part of the purchase price of said lands which remains unpaid the amount by which the former appraisal exceeds the appraisal provided for in this Act.

Sec. 2. Appraisers to determine damages.—That the amount of damages occasioned by a public road running through said premises shall be determined by appraisers and that the state auditor be, and

he hereby is, directed to deduct such amount from the amount remaining due on the purchase price of said premises.

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CHAPTER 69—H. F. No. 98

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 991, relating to contracts in counties of less than 75,000.

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

Section 1. **Contracts in certain counties.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 991, be amended to read as follows:

"991. In counties having a valuation of not less than \$9,875,000.00 nor more than \$9,900,000.00 and having not less than 16 and no more than 17 full and fractional congressional townships, no contract for the purchase of furniture, fixtures, or other property, or for the construction or repair of buildings, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed five hundred dollars, and no contract for work or labor or for the construction or repair of roads or bridges, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed one thousand dollars, shall be made by the county board without first advertising for bids or proposals in some newspaper of the county. If for the purchase of property or for work and labor, two weeks' published notice that proposals will be received, stating the time and place, shall be given. If for the construction or repair of roads, bridges, or buildings, three weeks' published notice shall be given, and also fifteen days' posted notice in the town where the construction is to be done. Such notice shall state the time and place of awarding the contract, and contain a brief description of the work. Every such contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, shall be duly executed in writing, and the person to whom the same is awarded shall give a sufficient bond to the board for its faithful performance. If no satisfactory bid is received, the board may readvertise. Every contract made without compliance with the provisions of this section shall be void: Provided, that in case of the destruction of roads or bridges by floods or other casualty, or of unforeseen injuries or machinery in or connected with public buildings, where the public interest would suffer by delay, contracts for repairs may be made without advertising for bids."

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