

*the conservator shall consider necessary, for seed and feed purposes."*

Approved April 29, 1935.

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CHAPTER 342—H. F. No. 985

*An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1002-1, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 377, relating to the dissolution of townships.*

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

Section 1. **Dissolution of township.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1002-1, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 377, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"1002-1. Whenever the voters residing within a duly organized civil township in this state have failed to elect any township officials for more than ten years continuously immediately prior to the taking effect of this act, or said township has failed and omitted for a period of *ten* years to exercise any of the powers and functions of an organized civil township as provided by law, or whenever the assessed valuation of any duly organized civil township drops to less than \$40,000.00 or whenever the tax delinquency of any such township, *exclusive of taxes that are delinquent or unpaid by reason of taxes being contested in proceedings for the enforcement of taxes*, amounts to 50 per cent of its assessed valuation, or where the state or the federal government has acquired title to 50 per cent of the real estate of such township, which facts or any of them *may* be found and determined by the resolution of the county board of the county in which said township is located, according to the official records in the office of the county auditor of said county, the county board by resolution shall declare any such township, naming the same, duly dissolved and no longer entitled to exercise any of the powers or functions of an organized township.

*Whenever a township is dissolved under the provisions of this act, the county shall acquire title to any telephone company or any other business being conducted by such township and such business shall be operated by the board of county commissioners until such time as a sale thereof can be made, provided that the subscribers or patrons of such businesses shall have the first opportunity of purchase. If such dissolved township has any outstanding indebtedness chargeable to such busi-*

*ness the county auditor of the county wherein such dissolved township is located shall levy a tax against the property situated in such dissolved township for the purpose of paying such indebtedness as it becomes due."*

Sec. 2. **Effective January 1, 1936.**—This act shall be in force and effect from and after January 1, 1936.

Approved April 29, 1935.

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#### CHAPTER 343—H. F. No. 1059

*An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2565-1, relating to authorizing the county board of any county, upon petition to the council of any village, borough, or city of the fourth class to appropriate money from the county road and bridge fund in certain cases for the purpose of building or improving any bridge or bridges, including approaches thereto, and any dam or retaining works connected therewith, upon or forming a part of streets or highways, either wholly or partly within the limits of any such village, borough, or city of the fourth class, and prescribing the methods and conditions of making such appropriations, so as to include cities of the third class.*

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

Section 1. **Building of bridges in certain cases.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2565-1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"2565-1. Whenever the council of any village, borough, or city of the fourth class, or *city of the third class*, may determine that it is necessary to build or improve any bridge or bridges including approaches thereto and any dam or retaining works connected therewith, upon or forming a part of streets, or highways either wholly or partly within its limits, the county board shall appropriate such money as may be necessary therefor from the county road and bridge fund, not exceeding during any year the amount of taxes paid into the county road and bridge fund during the preceding year, on property within the corporate limits of said village or city. Such appropriation shall be made upon the petition of the council, which petition shall be filed by the council with the county board prior to the fixing by said board of the annual county tax levy. The county shall determine the plans and specifications, shall let all necessary contracts, shall have