

Sec. 2. **Amount of appropriation.**—For the Psychopathic Department of the Minnesota General Hospital:

1. For maintenance and operation,\$16,000.00.

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

Approved April 7, 1937.

CHAPTER 170—H. F. No. 580

An act to amend Laws of 1935, Chapter 177, Section 1, relating to the purchase of explosives.

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

Section 1. **Purchase of explosives by county board.**—That Laws of 1935, Chapter 177, Section 1, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. That the board of County Commissioners of any county in this state having not less than 35 per cent of its land area consisting of vacant and unimproved land, is authorized to appropriate and expend from the road and bridge fund of said county not more than \$25,000, and establish with said funds a revolving fund, for the purpose of enabling said county board to purchase dynamite or other explosives for resale for cash or on time, to land owners, farmers or organized townships in said county, for use by them in clearing and improving lands in said townships, said sales of and payment for such explosives to be made under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by said county board.

Approved April 7, 1937.

CHAPTER 171—H. F. No. 725

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927, Section 1442-15, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 328, Section 5; as amended by Special Session Laws of 1935-36, Chapter 20, relating to the payment of retirement allowances to employees of cities of the State of Minnesota having over 50,000 inhabitants.

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

Section 1. Classification of employees.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927, Section 1442-15, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 328, Section 5, as amended by Special Session Laws of 1935-36, Chapter 20, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"1442-15. Employees of the city shall be divided into a contributing class, a non-contributing class and an exempt class.

"The contributing class shall consist of all employees not included in either of the other two classes, and shall be subdivided into present incumbents, employees in the service of the city at the date this act becomes effective therein, who elect to become contributors to and prospective beneficiaries of the fund created by this act, and future entrants, employees who enter the service of the city subsequent to the date this act becomes effective therein.

"The non-contributing class shall consist of all employees, including common laborers, whose individual pay or compensations do not exceed \$750 per annum, provided that when the compensation of an employee who is paid on a monthly basis equals or exceeds \$62.50 per month on a 12-month basis, such employee shall be classified as a contributor and shall from and after such time contribute to the fund and assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth.

"Provided, further, that from and after the end of the calendar year in which the average annual compensation of an employee who is paid on a day basis equals or exceeds \$750 per calendar year during his period of service with the city, such employee from and after such date shall be classified as a contributor and shall assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth.

"Any employee in the non-contributing class may, upon written application filed with the retirement board prior to attaining the age of 50 years, elect to become a member of the contributing class, and shall then assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth. Provided, that any employee in the non-contributing class who has attained the age of 50 years at the time of the passage of this act shall have one year from and after its passage to make said election. Such election, when made, shall be final and irrevocable.

"The exempt class shall consist of:

(a) Employees who are members of, or who are eligible to become members of, an organization or association on behalf of which a tax is levied against the city for the purpose of paying retirement allowances to disabled or superannuated employees.

(b) Persons filling elective positions. *Provided, that any elective officer holding an elective position, as those terms are defined herein, who shall have filled such elective position for twenty years or more and who shall not have received as compensation for his services as such elective officer any sum or sums in excess of \$2400.00 per annum, shall be entitled to retire upon the completion of twenty years of service on a service allowance. Such service allowance shall be computed and determined as provided for herein. Before receiving said service allowance, such officer shall contribute to the fund herein provided for an amount which shall be equal to the amount of contributions to said fund which said elective officer would have made had he been a contributor to said fund since January 1, 1922, in accordance with the method of contribution herein provided for, plus four per cent compound interest.*

(c) Persons serving without pay.

(d) Persons serving on executive boards.

(e) Pupil nurses, internes and staff physicians employed at the city hospitals.

(f) Employees in the service of the city at the time this act is adopted, who, after its adoption, have not given written notice of a desire to accept the provisions of this act.

(g) Persons not citizens of the United States."

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

Approved April 7, 1937.

CHAPTER 172—H. F. No. 765

An act authorizing the governing body of any city of the first class to reinstate any police officer, who during the past year has been discharged from service because he was at the time of his original appointment beyond the prescribed age, such reinstatement to be to the same rank and position such police officer held at the time of his discharge or removal.

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