

taining such information as the inspector shall require and accompanied by the original invoice thereof, which claim shall set forth the total amount of such gasoline so purchased and used by him other than in motor vehicles, *or for use in machinery operated for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing or maintaining the public highways of this state*, and shall state when and for what purpose the same was used. If the inspector be satisfied that the claimant is entitled to payment, he shall approve the claim. Upon the approval of any such claim the inspector shall draw his check on the gas tax account payable to the person entitled thereto. No such repayment shall be made unless the claim and invoice shall be presented to the inspector within four months from the date of such purchase.

Every person who shall make any false statement in any claim or invoice presented to the inspector, or who shall knowingly present to the inspector any claim or invoice containing any false statement, or shall collect, or cause to be paid to him or to any other person any such refund without being entitled thereto, shall forfeit the full amount of such claim and be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Approved April 23, 1937.

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#### CHAPTER 377—H. F. No. 1512

*An act relating to the removal of snow from roadways in certain counties.*

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

Section 1. **County board may provide for removal of snow in certain cases.**—In any county in this state now or hereafter having a population of not less than 175,000 nor more than 225,000 and having a land area of more than 5,000 square miles, the Board of County Commissioners of any such county shall have authority and may by resolution provide for removal of snow from roadways as hereinafter provided, and upon such conditions and terms and under such restrictions as the Board may deem proper.

Section 2. **Shall make application to county board.**—Any person desiring to have snow removed from his roadway during the ensuing winter shall on or before August 31st of each year, file a petition in form approved by the County Board with said Board, providing among other things for the payment of the expense thereof by such person, requesting it to render such service. The

County Board shall forthwith submit such petition to the County Engineer who shall inspect such roadway for the purpose of determining whether or not it would be advisable to permit snow removal equipment to work on said roadway. The determination of the County Engineer as to such advisability shall be final and shall not be subject to review. The Engineer shall file his report with the County Board approving or rejecting the petition, on or before October 31st each year.

Section 3. Board shall keep file of petitioners.—The Board shall, if the report of the Engineer is favorable to the removal of snow from such roadway, place the name and address of the petitioners on file and shall forthwith notify each petitioner of such report.

Section 4. Equipment not to be used until public highways are cleared.—No snow removal equipment shall be used for the purposes of this act unless and until snow is removed from all roads and highways which the county is charged by law with keeping clear.

Section 5. County board to regulate removal of snow.—The manner and number of times which said machinery shall be used on such roadways shall be determined by the County Board, and no person shall have the right to compel the removal of snow from any roadway as described in this act.

Section 6. Expenses shall be charge against land.—The amount of such expenses shall constitute and be a lien in favor of the county against the land involved, and, unless paid by July 1st following, shall be certified by the County Engineer to the County Auditor, and he shall enter same upon his tax books, as an assessment, upon such land and shall be collected in the same manner that other real estate taxes are collected. The amount of such expenses, when collected, shall be used to reimburse the county for its expenditure in this regard.

Section 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 378—H. F. No. 1541

*An act to authorize certain villages to issue and sell sewer and watermain certificates of indebtedness and to legalize and validate proceedings heretofore taken in such villages.*