be paid by the commission the same fees and mileage required by law to be paid to witnesses in civil actions in the district court; but such fees need not be paid in advance unless so ordered by the commission.

The commission is further vested with full power and authority to employ expert and clerical aid or assistance; to purchase stationery and other supplies; to rent or otherwise provide for the use of offices and equipment; and to do any and all other things reasonably necessary or convenient in carrying out the purposes of this act.

Section 3. Shall report to legislature.—The commission shall make a report at the opening of the next regular session of the legislature, embodying the results of the study and investigation made pursuant to this act; setting forth all data and information in connection therewith which the commission deems of importance to the legislature; and containing all recommendations which the commission deems proper in respect to legislation concerning any and every matter covered by said report.

Section 4. Appropriation.—There is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay all expenses incurred pursuant to this act. For the payment of such expenses the commission shall draw its warrants upon the state treasurer, which warrants shall be signed by the chairman or vice-chairman and attested by the secretary of the commission; and the state auditor shall then approve and the state treasurer shall pay such warrants as and when presented, but not exceeding in the aggregate the amount herein appropriated. A general summary or statement of expenses so incurred and paid shall be included in the above mentioned report of the commission to the legislature.

Approved April 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 392-S. F. No. 1535

An act to legalize certain proceedings heretofore taken for, the issuance of revenue certificates by any village having a population of 1,500 inhabitants or less which has owned and operated its light and power plant for a period of not less than ten years and authorizing the completion of such proceedings and the issuance of such certificates payable solely out of the light and power plant fund of such village in certain cases.

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

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Section 1. Proceedings legalized.—In all cases where any village in this State having a population of 1,500 inhabitants or less according to the last federal census which has owned and operated its light and power plant for a period of not less than ten years has, acting through its Village Council, let contracts for the improvement of such light and power plant and has authorized the issuance of revenue certificates in payment therefor and has paid not less than \$10,000 in cash on such contracts, all such proceedings heretofore taken are hereby legalized and the Council is authorized to complete such proceedings and to issue revenue certificates payable solely out of the Light and Power Plant Fund of such Village; provided, however, that no such revenue certificates shall be issued hereunder in excess of \$31,500.

Section 2. Not to affect pending actions.—This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeals now pending in which the validity of any such proceedings is called in question.

Approved April 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 393—H. F. No. 1522

An act providing for the sale of food, all forms of tobacco, nonintoxicating malt beverages, and soft drinks in exclusive liquor stores located in villages and cities of the fourth class situated in any county containing, a city of the first class and having a population of more than 450,000 persons.

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

Section 1. Liquor stores may sell food etc., in certain cities. —In villages and cities of the fourth class situated in any county containing a city of the first class and having a population of more than 450,000 persons, the sale of food, cigars, cigarettes, all forms of tobacco, non-intoxicating malt beverages, and soft-drinks in any exclusive liquor store having an on-sale license may be permitted by the governing body of such municipality.

Approved April 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 394-H. F. No. 1498

An act to authorize the board of county commissioners to issue funding and/or refunding bonds for the purpose of liquidating outstanding warrant indebtedness, and providing procedure therefor.