

be received, in such local newspaper or other periodicals as may be deemed advisable, provided that in case of emergency requiring immediate action, contract may be awarded without published notice. *And provided further, that where relief labor is employed, payable out of federal funds in the construction or reconstruction of trunk highways, and where the State is a sponsor for such projects, also necessitating the use of trunk highway funds in order to complete such construction or reconstruction, that day labor methods may be employed therefor.*

Approved April 26, 1937.

CHAPTER 491—H. F. No. 1769

An act to amend Laws 1921, Chapter 437, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 225, as amended by Laws 1931, Chapter 192, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 284, fixing the salaries and compensation of county officers and their expenses and clerk hire in all counties in this state now or hereafter having not less than forty-four (44) nor more than forty-five (45) congressional townships, whole or fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than \$8,000,000.00 nor more than \$14,000,000.00, exclusive of money and credits, and repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—That Laws 1921, Chapter 437, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 225, as amended by Laws 1931, Chapter 192, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 284, be, and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. **Salaries of county officers in certain counties.**—That all counties in this state, now or hereafter having not less than 44 nor more than 45 congressional townships, whole and fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than \$8,000,000.00 and not more than \$14,000,000.00 and now or hereafter having population of not less than 25,500 and not more than 26,000 in accordance with the Federal Population Census of 1930, exclusive of monies and credits, the salary and compensation of the county officers and their expenses and clerk hire hereinafter named shall be as follows:

Section 2. **Salary and clerk hire of County auditor.**—County Auditor, \$2,820.00 per year and fees as now prescribed by laws.

There also shall be allowed \$3,600.00 per year for auditor's clerk hire.

Section 3. **Salary and clerk hire of County Treasurer.**—County Treasurer, \$2,820.00 per year and fees as now prescribed by law. There also shall be allowed \$2,500.00 per year for county treasurer's clerk hire.

Section 4. **Salary and fees of register of deeds.**—Register of Deeds, the salary or fees and clerk hire as now prescribed by law. There shall also be allowed \$1,500.00 per year for Register of Deeds clerk hire.

Section 5. **Salary of sheriff and deputies.**—Sheriff, \$2520.00 per year and expenses in connection with official service rendered for the county, which salary and expenses shall be in lieu of all other fees and expenses paid by the county, except for the board and care of prisoners. That upon a proper written application by said Sheriff to the District Court of said County, showing the necessity therefor, the name of the appointee as Deputy Sheriff, and the reasonable salary contemplated, and on approval of said application, by the said Court, there shall be allowed a reasonable sum to be determined by the said District Court for the hire and compensation of a Deputy Sheriff of said County and whose compensation shall be paid as set forth in this Act.

Section 6. **Salary of county attorney.**—County Attorney, \$2520.00 per year.

Section 7. **Salary and clerk hire of judge of probate.**—Judge of Probate, \$2520.00 per year and in addition thereto they shall be allowed to retain as part of their compensation all sums collected for certified copies or other documents furnished by them. There also shall be allowed \$1200.00 for probate court clerk hire.

Section 8. **Compensation of county surveyor.**—County Surveyor, shall receive the compensation that the Board of County Commissioners may in their discretion fix, which shall not be less than \$5.00 per day and not more than \$15.00 per day for any public work while employed in the performance of their respective duties, including time necessarily spent in traveling to and from the field of his labor, together with all necessary expenses payable by the party or parties who employ the surveyors, and they shall be allowed such necessary help and expenses that the Board of County Commissioners may allow.

Section 9. **Salary and fees of coroner.**—Coroner, the salary and fees as now prescribed by law.

Section 10. **Salary and clerk hire of clerk of district court.**—Clerk of the District Court, \$1620.00 per year, which shall be in

full compensation for all services rendered by them for the respective counties, except in real estate tax proceedings, and in addition thereto they shall be allowed to retain all fees earned and retained by them in connection with their offices.

Section 11. Salary and clerk hire of superintendent of schools.—Superintendent of Schools, \$2040.00 per year and fees and clerk hire as now prescribed by law.

Section 12. Salary and per diem of county board.—County Commissioners, \$720.00 per year each, and in addition thereto each member of such County Board shall also receive \$3.00 per day for each and every day necessarily occupied by him in the discharge of his official duties while acting on any committee under the direction of the Board, and ten cents per mile each way for each mile necessarily traveled in attending such committee work, and shall also be entitled to mileage of ten cents per mile each way for each mile necessarily traveled for attending meetings of the Board, not exceeding twelve meetings in any one year.

Section 13. To be paid in monthly installments.—The county officers annual salary and clerk hire herein provided for shall be paid by auditor's warrants, in twelve equal monthly installments. Claims for expenses herein authorized shall be made by presentation to the County Board of itemized and verified accounts, which shall be audited, allowed and paid in the same manner as other claims against the County.

Section 14. Limitation on clerk hire.—Provided, however, that no sums whatever shall be paid or allowed for clerk hire in excess of the amounts actually paid or due for help necessarily employed. Additional sums for clerk hire may be authorized by the County Board upon written application being made by any county officer to the County Board; this application may also be made by any person not now employing any clerks in their office, it being the intention that the sums paid for clerk hire in all County offices shall be equal in accordance with the work of said clerks, their experience and the necessary amount of work to be performed. The salary of any county official, who receives for his compensation salary and also fees, shall not exceed in any one year \$3600.00, any excess over and above said amount to be paid into and credited to the general revenue fund of the county; provided, however, that any fees permitted by this act or any other law to be retained by any of said officials the 22 per cent of such fees shall be paid into and credited to the general revenue fund of the county at the end of each calendar month following receipt thereof; provided further that all county officials receiving fees from any source whatsoever shall make an itemized statement showing the date of collection, the source, amount and character of each fee collected and the per-

centage to be paid to the county, which statement shall be duly verified under oath and made in duplicate, said statement to be presented to the Board of County Commissioners at their regular monthly meeting for ratification, and entered upon the minutes of the proceedings of said board and thereafter one copy shall be filed in the office of the treasurer and the other in the office of the auditor.

Section 15. **Limitations of act.**—This Act shall also be subject to Sections 976 and 977 Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927.

Section 16. **Effective on passage.**—This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Section 17. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 26, 1937.

CHAPTER 492—H. F. No. 68

An act proposing an amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, to authorize the exchange of public lands of the state for lands of the United States and/or privately owned lands as the Legislature may provide.

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

Section 1. That the following amendment to Article 8 of the constitution of the State of Minnesota is hereby proposed to legal voters of this state for their approval or their rejection, which amendment when so approved shall constitute a new section and be known as Section 8, of said Article 8, and shall read as follows: "Section 8. Any of the public lands of the state, including lands held in trust for any purpose, may, with the unanimous approval of a commission consisting of the governor, the attorney general and the state auditor, be exchanged for lands of the United States and/or privately owned lands in such manner as the legislature may provide, and the lands so acquired shall be subject to the trust, if any, to which the lands exchanged therefor were subject, and the state shall reserve all mineral and water power rights in lands so transferred by the state."

Section 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of this state for their approval or rejection at the general