ment of such drainage system, for the purpose of collecting and paying a deficit in any such drainage system due to the increased cost of construction of such drainage system, deficiency in interest payable on bonds issued for construction of such drainage system, the expense of improvement, maintenance and repair of same, or for any other reason, and the time for appeals has expired and no appeals have been taken therefrom or from any such proceedings, or if such appeals have been taken that the same have been determined before the passage of this act, then the said proceedings and all assessments or liens so levied or attempted to be assessed or levied for said purposes are hereby approved, legalized and declared to be valid, and in full force and effect and a lien upon and against said lands benefited by the establishment and construction of said drainage system until paid, at the time and in the manner as set forth in said act and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. Application of Act.—This act shall not apply to or affect any action now pending in which the validity of said proceedings is called in question.

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

Approved March 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 99-H. F. No. 1365

An act authorizing cities of the fourth class in certain cases to compromise judgments due from personal sureties on depository bonds against whom such cities have obtained judgments for the recovery of funds on deposit in closed and insolvent banks.

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

Section 1. Cities may compromise judgments in certain cases. —That in every city of the fourth class governed by a home rule charter, and situated in a county of this state which now or hereafter contains more than 60 and less than 80 congressional townships and which county has, or may hereafter have, a population of more than 45,000 and less than 75,000 inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal or State census, in whose favor a final judgment has been rendered by the district court against individual sureties on a depository bond for the recovery of city funds on deposit by such city in a closed and insolvent bank, the City Council may, and when a majority of the electors thereof voting thereon at an annual or special election at which such subject is submitted to the electors thereof vote so to do, shall settle, compromise and satisfy such personal judgment against such sureties on such depository bond for the payment of money lost by such city in any bank for which such depository bond was executed and delivered and which has since been closed on account of its insolvency.

Sec. 2. Petition to be submitted to electors.—That unless the City Council of such city effects a settlement authorized under Section 1 of this act then in évery such city the City Council thereof shall, on the petition in writing signed by such a judgment debtor, submit to the electors thereof, on a separate ballot, the question whether or not such judgment debtor or personal sureties on a depository bond shall be allowed to pay and obtain the satisfaction of such judgment by paying the principal of the sum of money adjudged to be recovered on account of such loss in such closed bank from such personal sureties. Notice of submission to such electors at an annual or special election of said question shall be sufficient if one week's published notice thereof is given by publication in the official newspaper of such city.

Sec. 3. Not to affect pending action.—This act shall not affect any action or proceeding pending in court in which the validity of the personal surety bond is questioned.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 24, 1937.

CHAPTER 100-S. F. No. 27

An act to amend Extra Session Laws 1935, Chapter 95, Section 34, relating to the state-wide system of old age assistance with particular reference to the power of a county agency to reduce old age assistance until federal funds are available.

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

Section 1. Old age assistance.—That Section 24 of Chapter 95, Extra Session Laws of 1935 be, and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 34. This act in its various terms and provisions, including the amount of old age assistance paid to an individual hereunder, is intended to comply with and give effect to the Social Security Act above referred to. In the event federal funds shall not be available