

CHAPTER 77—S. F. No. 66

An act to amend Laws 1937, Chapter 324, Section 25, relating to aid to the blind.

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

Section 1. **Effective date of act.**—That Laws 1937, Chapter 324, Section 25, be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 25. This Act shall take effect upon approval by the Social Security Board pursuant to the provisions of Title X of the Federal Social Security Act, approved August 14, 1935, of a State plan for aid to the blind formulated by the State Agency pursuant to this Act.”

Approved July 16, 1937.

CHAPTER 78—S. F. No. 75

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3028, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 224, Section 1, and Laws of 1935, Chapter 288, Section 2, and Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 3029 and 3030, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 288, relating to special state aid to schools.

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

Section 1. **Special aid for schools.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3028, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 224, Section 1, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 288, Section 2, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

“3028. (1) For transportation or board of resident pupils in consolidated school districts, the state shall reimburse such districts at rates to be determined by the State Board of Education, provided that no consolidated school district shall receive annually more than an average of thirty-six dollars (\$36) per pupil transported or boarded.

(2) All the provisions of this act relating to state aid to *consolidated school districts* shall be equally applicable to the unorganized territory of any county, to *county school districts*, and also to all school districts of ten or more townships.

(3) *School districts may use their transportation equipment for the transportation of nonresident pupils upon permission from the State Board of Education; and, no special state aid shall be paid for any nonresident pupil transported or boarded illegally or contrary to the standards established by the State Board of Education. The State Department of Education shall formulate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to the end that there shall be no competition between school districts for the enrollment of students.*

(4) For the tuition of nonresident high school pupils, the state shall pay to the school district furnishing such high school instruction at the rate of seven dollars (\$7.00) per school month, or major fraction thereof, for each such nonresident pupil, for not to exceed ten (10) months in any school year, provided, (1) that high school instruction shall mean instruction for pupils who have completed the eight years of the elementary course; (2) that such tuition shall be paid by the state only in so far as any pupil's residence district does not give high school instruction, but this provision shall not apply to nonresident high school pupils residing in unorganized territory, in ten or more township school districts, or in county school districts; and (3) that the state apportionment for any such nonresident high school pupils shall be paid to the school district in which such nonresident pupils attend a high school.

(5) Any school district or unorganized territory may receive aid for the purchase of library books not to exceed one-half the amount expended or fifty cents (\$.50) per pupil in average daily attendance during the preceding year for five hundred (500) pupils, nor to exceed one-fourth the amount expended or twenty-five cents (\$.25) per additional pupil in average daily attendance during the preceding year in such school district or unorganized territory.

(6) For assisting in providing for the school attendance of isolated pupils, the State Board of Education, at its discretion and under such rules as it may adopt, may assist school districts or the county board of education for unorganized territory in any county, in providing for the transportation or board of such children of school age as reside beyond reasonable walking distance from the nearest public school. To this end, the State Board may grant to such school districts not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50) annually for each such pupil transported or boarded."

Section 2. **Same.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3029, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 288, Section 3, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"3029. (1) For each graded elementary school of eight school years with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district four hundred dollars (\$400) annually.

(2) For each graded elementary school of six school years with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district three hundred dollars (\$300) annually.

(3) For each ungraded elementary school with a school year of at least eight months, the state shall pay a school district one hundred dollars (\$100) for each first grade teacher employed; *for each ungraded elementary school with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) for each first grade teacher employed*; provided that the total of such aid for an ungraded elementary school *with a school year of eight months* shall in no case exceed two hundred dollars (\$200) and *for a school year of nine months two hundred fifty dollars (\$250)*; and provided further that such classification aid, when added to the funds received by a school district as apportionment together with the *equivalent* of a five mill tax for maintenance shall not exceed the total maintenance cost of the schools in such district.

(4) For each four-year high school with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district five hundred dollars (\$500) annually.

(5) For each high school department with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district three hundred dollars (\$300) annually.

(6) For each junior high school with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district three hundred dollars (\$300) annually.

(7) For each senior high school with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district three hundred dollars (\$300) annually.

(8) For each six-year high school with a school year of at least nine months, the state shall pay a school district six hundred dollars (\$600) annually."

Section 3. **Limitations of act.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3030, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 288, Section 4, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"3030. School districts which receive aid under the provisions of this section shall be limited to those whose tax levy for maintenance only is thirty (30) mills or more *except in the case of agricultural lands on which the maximum rate of taxation for school maintenance is limited by the Laws of 1933, Chapter 356, as amended by the Laws of 1935, Chapter 289.* To any school district in which *the proceeds of* a tax levy of thirty (30) mills or the maximum legal rate on the

district's assessed valuation together with all funds received from the state as apportionment or special state aid, except transportation aid, does not equal sixty dollars (\$60) for each resident pupil in average daily attendance in an elementary school, and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each resident high school pupil and each nonresident high school pupil for whom the state pays tuition, in average daily attendance in a classified high school, the state shall pay as supplemental aid, *as soon after August first of each year as practicable*, an amount which, together with the proceeds of a thirty (30) mill tax or the maximum legal rate, and all money received from the state as apportionment or special state aid, except transportation aid, will equal sixty dollars (\$60) for each resident pupil in average daily attendance in an elementary school, and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each resident high school pupil and each nonresident high school pupil for whom the state pays tuition, in average daily attendance in a classified high school. In any school district or unorganized territory in which the proceeds of a tax of thirty (30) mills or the maximum legal rate together with all funds received from the state as apportionment or special state aid, except transportation aid, does not equal one thousand dollars (\$1000) per classroom unit the State Board of Education may, at its discretion, grant sufficient additional supplemental aid to bring the total funds available for school maintenance equivalent to one thousand dollars (\$1000) for each classroom unit. Provided that (1) the supplemental aid paid under this section when added to all other funds received from the state as apportionment or special state aid and to the proceeds of a thirty (30) mill tax or the legal maximum tax for maintenance shall not exceed the total maintenance cost of the schools in any school district nor such maximum figure per classroom unit as may be determined by the State Board of Education; (2) *the term 'proceeds' as used in this section shall include all funds collected during the preceding twelve (12) month period ending October thirty-first from taxes levied for school maintenance up to thirty (30) mills in 1935 and subsequent years*; (3) *if a school district qualifies for supplemental aid under this section but such district's tax rate for school maintenance during the preceding year was less than thirty (30) mills, the proceeds of the tax for school maintenance in each district shall be based on what a thirty (30) mill tax or the maximum legal rate on agricultural lands would have produced if levied and shall be in proportion to the actual amount collected under the mill rate levied by such district for such previous year*; and (4) any school district receiving aid under the provisions of Chapter 143, Laws of 1931, shall receive, in addition to such aid, supplemental aid which shall not be less per pupil in average daily attendance than such district has been granted on the average since the year 1931."

Section 4. **Effective July 1, 1937.**—This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1937.

Approved July 16, 1937.