

spectors and investigators and who when so appointed, shall have full authority to enforce this act. Before entering upon their official duties, the oath of appointment of each of said additional employees shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. The registrar, his inspectors or investigators, when traveling or otherwise pursuing their duties outside the office of the Registrar, shall be paid for their actual expenses incurred out of the same funds as other employees of the registrar of motor vehicles.

(k) The registrar shall have, and is hereby granted full authority to issue subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses before him, production of books, papers and other documents, articles or instruments, and compel the disclosure by such witnesses of all facts known to them relative to the matter under investigation, and shall have full authority to administer oaths and to take testimony. All parties disobeying the orders of subpoenas of said registrar shall be guilty of contempt, as in proceedings in district courts of the state, and may be punished in like manner.

(1) Any person, co-partnership, or corporation, domestic or foreign, and any officer, or director, or employee of a corporation, domestic or foreign, who shall violate or neglect, fail or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(m) The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable. If one provision hereof shall be found by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid such decision shall not affect the validity of the other provisions of this act."

Approved April 13, 1939.

CHAPTER 210—H. F. No. 233

An act relating to clerk hire in the office of county auditor in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Clerk hire in office of County Auditor in certain counties.—In all counties of this state containing not less than 37, nor more than 40, full and fractional congressional townships, with a taxable valuation of not less than \$2,000,000 nor

more than \$8,000,000, exclusive of money and credits, and having a population of not less than 7,000, nor more than 12,000, inhabitants according to the last state or federal census, the annual amount allowed for clerk hire in the office of the county auditor may be the sum of \$1,800.

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CHAPTER 211—H. F. No. 267

An act to amend Laws 1919, Chapter 23, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 46, relating to the salary of County Commissioners in counties of this state now or hereafter having not less than seventy or more than eighty full or fractional congressional townships and having at any time an assessed valuation of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than \$3,000,000, exclusive of money and credits.

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

Section 1: Salary of County Board in certain counties.—

Laws 1919, Chapter 23, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 46, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. In Counties of this state now or hereafter containing not less than 70 and not more than 80 full or fractional congressional townships and having at any time an assessed valuation of not less than \$1,000,000 and not more than \$3,000,000, exclusive of money and credits, as finally equalized by the State Tax Commission, each county commissioner of such county shall receive an annual salary of \$420, payable in equal monthly installments out of the county treasury, and in addition thereto each commissioner shall receive five dollars per day for each and every day necessarily occupied in the discharge of his official duties while acting on any committee under the direction of the county board and five cents per mile for every mile necessarily traveled in attending such committee work, and shall also be entitled to mileage at the rate of five cents per mile for every mile necessarily traveled in attending meetings of the county board, not to exceed twelve meetings in any one year. In addition to the foregoing compensation the chairman of the county board shall receive five cents per mile for going to and returning from the county seat, to sign warrants during any recess of the county board.