

Sec. 2. Application of act.—This law shall not apply to any county where the salary of county commissioners is now fixed by special law.”

Approved April 13, 1939.

CHAPTER 212—H. F. No. 339

An act to amend Mason's 1938 Minn. Supp., Section 1264-13½d, relating to firemen's pension in certain villages.

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

Section 1. Firemen's pensions in certain villages.—Mason's 1938 Minn. Supp., Section 1264-13½d, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“1264-13½d. In addition to the moneys in the special fund of said association or provided to be raised therefor under existing laws for the payment of pensions and other benefits, revenues from the following sources shall be paid to said special fund, to-wit: It shall be the duty of the village recorder, treasurer or other disbursing officer of such village to deduct each month from the monthly pay of each member of the Fire Department who is a member of the association a sum equal to *three and one-half per cent* of such monthly pay, and to place the same to the credit of said special fund. The village council or other governing body of such village shall each year, at the time the tax levies are made for the general revenues of the village, levy, within the per capita or mill limitations now permitted by law, a tax one one-tenth of a mill on all of the taxable property of such village, which levy shall be transmitted to the county auditor of the county in which the village is situated at the time the other levies are transmitted and shall be collected, and the penalties therefor shall be enforced, in the same manner as the other taxes of such village. The village treasurer, when the moneys derived from such tax are received by him, shall pay the same to the treasurer of the Firemen's Relief Association, together with all penalties and interest collected thereon, in the following manner: Of the first levy made after the passage of this act an amount not to exceed one-half of such levy may, at the discretion of the board of trustees of said relief association, be placed to the credit of the general fund of said association. The balance of said levy, as well as all subsequent levies, shall be credited to the special fund of said association, and shall not be withdrawn from said fund or

transferred, to any other fund except for the purposes of this act; provided, *however*, that said board of trustees may, in its discretion, pay premiums upon the bond of the treasurer and secretary from said special fund, *and may also invest the balance of its funds in certificates of indebtedness of such municipality, and the governing body of such municipality shall sell its certificates of indebtedness to such relief association at the prevailing rate that it sells such certificates to the general public, or others.*

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CHAPTER 213—H. F. No. 350

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2703, relating to the design of motor vehicle registration number plates.

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

Section 1. **Motor vehicle license plates.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2703, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"2703. Such number plates shall be substantially of the following size and form, namely: A plate or placard of metal, enamel, or other suitable material, *approximately five and five-eighths* inches wide and *approximately 12* inches long, the length to vary with the number of digits in the number. On the body of such plate there shall be the distinctive *registration* number assigned to the vehicle in figures *approximately three inches high*, each stroke of which shall be of such width as will be most conducive to legibility. *A letter or letters similar in size to the figures may be used as a part of the registration number at the beginning thereof to indicate class of registration. Below the registration number there shall be the year of registration number and the word "Minnesota" in characters three-fourths of an inch high.* Motorcycles shall be assigned plates of substantially the same design, but three inches wide and seven inches long *with such proportionate reduction in size of letters and numerals as may be necessary.* Dealers' number plates shall be of substantially the same size and design as passenger vehicle and truck plates."