

*townships, and having more than 12,900 inhabitants and less than 13,000 inhabitants according to the last federal census.*

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

**Section 1. Refund of gas tax to certain villages.**—That any village of less than 600 inhabitants, located in a county having 13 townships and having more than 12,900 inhabitants and less than 13,000 inhabitants, which in connection with a W P A project, has purchased gasoline during the last two years for use in stationary engines and machinery, on which such village would be entitled to a refund of gasoline tax, except for the limits of four months provided for in section 2720-79 Mason's 1940 Supplement; shall be entitled to make application and receive a refund of such gas tax notwithstanding such four months limit, upon proper application and approval as required by said section 2720-79, within 60 days after the passage of this act.

Approved April 14, 1941.

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CHAPTER 221—H. F. No. 975

*An act relating to salaries of village officers; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 1163-1.*

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

**Section 1. Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 1163-1, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**"1163-1. Salaries of village officers in certain cases.**—In all villages of this state, except those governed under a charter adopted pursuant to section 36, article 4, state constitution, the salaries of the president and trustees shall be in amounts according to the following classifications of villages, provided that the village council of any village shall have the authority to fix the salaries of its president and its trustees in a lesser amount for the term of office during which the members of such council are elected. The classification and salaries are as follows:

(1) In villages having both a population of not less than 5,000 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of not less

than \$10,000,000, the salary of the president is fixed at \$200.00 per month and the salary of each trustee at \$150.00 per month.

(2) In villages not included in any of the foregoing classifications, having both a population of not less than 1,500 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of not less than \$3,000,000, or having a population of not less than 1,200 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of not less than \$6,000,000, the salary of the president is fixed at \$80.00 per month and the salary of each trustee at \$60.00 per month.

(3) In villages, not included in any of the foregoing classifications, having both a population of not less than 2,000 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of not less than \$1,500,000, the salary of the president is fixed at \$50.00 per month and the salary of each trustee at \$35.00 per month.

(4) In villages, not included in any of the foregoing classifications, having both a population of not less than 300 inhabitants, and an assessed valuation of not less than \$875,000, the salary of the president is fixed at \$35.00 per month, and the salary of each trustee at \$25.00 per month, *and any payments of salaries made in accordance herewith since January 1, 1941 are hereby legalized and declared valid.*

(5) In villages, not included in any of the foregoing classifications, either having both a population of not less than 5,000 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of less than \$1,000,000, or having both a population of less than 600 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of not less than \$1,000,000, the salary of the president and each trustee is fixed at \$100.00 per year; provided, further, in villages having an assessed valuation exceeding \$1,500,000, and not over \$3,000,000, the salary of the president and each trustee shall remain \$100.00 per year, and in villages having an assessed valuation exceeding \$1,000,000 and not over \$1,500,000 such salary shall remain \$10.00 per year, unless the voters in any such village at a regular or special election therein held shall fix such salaries at a larger amount, within the limitations of this act; provided, further, this act shall in no way apply to villages having an assessed valuation of less than \$1,500,000 and an area of less than 1,300 acres.

(6) In villages not included in any of the foregoing classifications, having both a population of less than 5,000 inhabitants and an assessed valuation of less than \$1,500,000 the president shall be entitled to receive as compensation for each day's service necessarily rendered or council meeting attended, the sum of \$2.00 per day or meeting, but no more

than \$30.00 shall be paid in any one year to the president; and the trustees shall be entitled to receive as compensation for each day's service necessarily rendered or council meeting attended, the sum of \$1.50 per day or meeting but no more than \$20.00 shall be paid to each trustee in any one year in any such village.

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#### CHAPTER 222—H. F. No. 1196

*An act authorizing the sale of certain school land in St. Louis County, having frontage on a public lake.*

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

**Section 1. Commissioner of conservation to sub-divide and sell certain lands.**—The commissioner of conservation is hereby authorized to subdivide the east one-half of the south-east quarter of section 16, township 57, range 21 into smaller parcels or village lots, and to appraise and offer such parcels or lots for sale as provided by law. Said land may be sold notwithstanding the fact that it has frontage on a public lake, provided that a strip 33 feet in width landward from the ordinary high water mark be reserved by the state.

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#### CHAPTER 223—H. F. No. 1430

*An act to establish a municipal court in the city of St. Cloud, counties of Stearns, Benton and Sherburne, state of Minnesota; legalizing proceedings heretofore taken under the provisions of Extra Session Laws 1935, Chapter 88.*

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

**Section 1. Municipal court of the city of St. Cloud established.**—A court of record to be known as the municipal court of the city of St. Cloud is hereby established in and for the city of St. Cloud, in the counties of Stearns, Benton and Sherburne.