

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2617, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“2617. Removal of snow by town and county boards.—*Subdivision 1.* It shall be the duty of the town board of each town, so far as funds are available for the expense thereof, to keep all town, county and judicial roads therein in a passable condition by the removal of snow therefrom; and for that purpose the road overseer is authorized to employ, by and with the consent of the town board, such men and teams and other equipment as may be necessary for the purpose. The town board may also provide for the erection of snow fences when deemed advisable.

Subdivision 2. It shall be the duty of the county board, so far as funds are available for the expenses thereof, to keep all state aid roads and state rural highways therein in a passable condition by the removal of snow therefrom. The county board may also provide for the erection of snow fences when deemed advisable.

Subdivision 3. *The county board may by resolution adopted at a regular meeting thereof, authorize the use of county snow removal equipment and operators thereof, for the removal of snow upon either public or private property within the county, upon such terms and conditions as the county board shall determine, not less however, than the actual cost of the use of such equipment and operators to the county.”*

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CHAPTER 277—H. F. No. 1151

An act authorizing villages having a population of more than 1,750 and less than 2,000 and an assessed valuation of more than \$2,000,000 and less than \$2,500,000 which have heretofore commenced the construction of and now have in the course of construction as a federal government “Works Progress Administration” project a sewage disposal plant, to issue bonds for the purpose of raising funds to pay the cost thereof and providing for the payment of such bonds and the interest thereon.

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

Section 1. Application of act.—This act shall apply to all villages in the state of Minnesota having a population of more than 1,750 and less than 2,000, and an assessed valuation of real and personal property, exclusive of money and credits, of more than \$2,000,000 and less than \$2,500,000.

Sec. 2. May issue bonds to complete sewage disposal plant.—Any such village that has heretofore commenced the construction of a sewage disposal plant which is now in the course of construction as a federal government "Works Progress Administration" project may, for the purpose of completing such project and paying the cost thereof, issue its bonds in a sum not exceeding \$12,000. Such bonds may be issued in the manner now provided by law, except that they may be issued by vote of the village council and without a vote of the electors of such village.

Provided that the bonds herein authorized shall be payable in annual installments in the principal sum of \$2,000 plus interest, the first of which installments shall become due in not more than one year after the date of issue and the last of which installment shall become due not more than six years after the date of issue, and provided further that if the village council of such village wishes to dispose of such bonds to purchasers other than the state of Minnesota, the sale of such bonds shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Mason's Minnesota Statutes for 1927, Chapter 10, Section 1943. The village council of any such village issuing bonds pursuant to the authority of this act shall, at the time of the issuance thereof, by resolution, provide for a levy of taxes for the payment of the principal and interest thereon, such levy to be in accordance with the provisions of Mason's Minnesota Statutes for 1927, Chapter 10, as amended. Provided further that such bonds and the interest thereon shall be payable out of the general corporation fund authorized to be levied by such village.

Sec. 3. County auditor to deduct interest, etc.—The county auditor of the county in which any such village is located, for the purpose of providing for the payment of such bonds and interest, shall, annually, deduct from the general corporation fund levy of such village the sum required to pay the amount due on each installment thereof and interest thereon until all of such bonds and interest shall have been paid.

Sec. 4. Tax levy.—Except as herein otherwise provided, the annual tax levy for the general corporation fund of any

such village shall be spread and apportioned in the manner now provided by law.

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CHAPTER 278—H. F. No. 1152

An act relating to land forfeited to the state for taxes; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Sections 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$, 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a, 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ b, 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ e, 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ i.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Classification and sale of forfeited lands.—All lands which have heretofore or shall hereafter become the absolute property of the state under the provisions of *Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5620-7*, and are suitable for agricultural purposes shall be classified as such by the county board of the county wherein such lands are situated. No lands shall be offered for sale under the provisions of this act until their classification by the county board as agricultural lands shall have been approved by the conservation commissioner; *provided however, that the county auditor may with the approval of the conservation commissioner sell any parcel or tax-forfeited land or any portion thereof to any organized or incorporated governmental subdivision of the state for any public purpose for which said subdivision to acquire property at not less than the appraised value thereof as determined by the county board.*"

Sec. 2. **Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"5620-13 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. Appraisal.—All lands which have heretofore or shall hereafter become the absolute property of the state under the provisions of *Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5620-7*, and are classified as agricultural lands shall be appraised by the county board of the county wherein such lands are situated, and such appraisal shall be filed in the office of the county auditor of such county. *Provided, further, that any merchantable timber on such lands shall be appraised separately and such appraisal shall be approved by the commissioner of conservation.* Such county board may reappraise