CHAPTER 338-S. F. No. 527

An act regarding penalties for violations of railroad crossing act and amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4748-17.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:
Section 1. Law amended.-Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4743-17 is hereby amended to read as follows:
"4743-17. Violation a misdemeanor.-Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of Sections 4743-1 to 4743-17 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Provided that the violation of Sections 4743-7 and 4743-8 shall not of itself constitute contributory negligence as a matter of law."

Approved April 21, 1941.

## CHAPTER 339-S. F. No. 683

An act relating to the use and disposition of the gas tax money apportioned to the counties; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2720-93; repealing Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2720-94a.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:
Section 1. Law amended.-Mason's Supplement 1940,-Section 2720-93, is hereby amended to read as follows:
"2720-93. Use and disposition of gas tax.-Subdivision 1. The money apportioned to each county under the provisions hereof and not used to pay interest or principal on county road or bridge bonds as hereinafter provided, shall be used solely in the construction, improvement and maintenance of county aid roads therein, including bridges, culverts and other structures appurtenant to such county aid roads, and shall be expended by the county board on such county aid roads as it shall determine and in the manner herein provided. All county aid roads constructed under the provisions of this act shall be constructed under the supervision and according to plans and specifications made by the county highway engineer, filed with the county auditor and approved by the county board.

Provided, that in any county having an assessed valuation of less than $\$ 750,000$ the county board, by unanimous vote
and with the approval thereof by the village council of any village of said county, may designate as a county aid road any street, streets, or parts of streets within the platted or unplatted portion of any such village, and may appropriate such sums of money for improving the same as they may, on motion, determine, and the county board by a majority vote may rescind said designation.

Subdivision 2. In any county where 30 per cent or more of the real estate taxes for any year are unpaid on the date the taxes of said year become delinquent according to law, the county board of such county may, in the year such taxes become delinquent, use at least 25 per cent of the money so apportioned to said county for the purpose of paying any part of the interest or principal on bonds or warrants heretofore or hereafter issued by the county for road or bridge purposes. The provisions of this subdivision are hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in force, and every law now in force inconsistent with this subdivision is hereby suspended, until April 20, 1943.

Sec. 2. Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2720-94a, is hereby repealed.

Approved April 21, 1941.

## CHAPTER 340-_S. F. No. 724

An act to legalize acknowledgments heretofore taken in foreign countries by a Judge of a Court of Law therein where his signature written and the seal or stamp of the Court on a deed or other instrument has been certified to be genuine by the President or Vice President of the Supreme Law Court of the country where the acknowledgment was taken and the signature of said President or Vice President and the seal of the Supreme Law Court on the instrument has been certified to be genuine by the Consul or Vice Consul of the United States.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:
Section 1. Acknowledgments taken in foreign countries legalized.-That all acknowledgments to any Deed or other Instrument heretofore taken in any foreign country by a Judge of a Court of Law therein, where the signature of said Judge was written and the stamp or seal of the Court was attached,

