county law library fee, the sum of \$1.00 from the petitioner instituting such proceeding at the time of the filing of the petition therein. Such disbursement shall be an item of expense of administration of the estate, entitling the petitioner to reimbursement therefor out of the estate.

- Sec. 7. Collections to be turned over to County Treasurer. —On the first day of each month, the official making collection of such fees shall pay the same to the county treasurer of said county, taking his receipt therefor, and said county treasurer is authorized and directed upon itemized vouchers approved by the board of law library trustees to disburse the same and other money belonging to said board to pay the necessary expenses of equipping and maintaining such library.
- Sec. 8. County Board may appropriate funds.—The county board of such county may appropriate annually a sum not to exceed \$1,000 for such library purposes.

Approved March 15, 1943.

CHAPTER 128—H. F. No. 513.

(Amending Section 163.06 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to the town dragging fund and tax; amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927; Section 2574.

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

- Section 1. -Law amended.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2574, is amended to read as follows:
- 2574. Town dragging fund and tax.—The auditor of each county shall annually extend upon the tax lists of his county in the same manner as is provided by law for extending the county school tax a tax of one mill on the dollar of the taxable property in each town outside the corporate limits of any borough, village, or city in any such town; provided, that in towns having an assessed valuation of \$1,000,000 or more, the amount of such tax shall not exceed \$1,000. The tax so levied shall be collected and the payment thereof enforced in the same manner as is provided by law for the collection and enforcement of other town taxes extended by the county auditor. The county treasurer shall settle with and pay over to the town treasurer such taxes when collected

at the time and in the manner now provided by law with reference to other town taxes.

The proceeds of such tax levy shall be kept in a separate fund to be known as the dragging fund and expended by the town board only for the expense of procuring a suitable number of drags and dragging the roads of the town, in putting straw on sandy roads and removing snow from town and county roads. If, on the first day of April in any year, there shall be an unexpended balance in the dragging fund which exceeds in amount the sum of \$100.00, the town board may transfer all or part of the amount in such dragging fund in excess of \$100.00 to the town road and bridge fund. Such transfer shall not be made until it shall first affirmatively appear that the town board has theretofore procured a suitable number of drags and that the roads of the town have been properly dragged.

The town board in each town, on recommendation of the town or district road overseer, may enter into contracts for the dragging of the roads of the town or district giving preference to the main traveled roads and roads constituting mail routes within their respective towns. The compensation which may be agreed to be paid for each time a road is dragged shall not exceed \$1.50 per mile for each mile of road dragged.

The contract price shall be paid from the dragging fund in the same manner as other claims against the town, after approval by the road overseer.

Approved March 15, 1943.

CHAPTER 129—H. F. No. 552.

(Amending Section 332.10 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to the business of compromising, prorating or liquidating the debts of a debtor; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5887-58.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 5887-58, is amended to read as follows:

5887-58. Exceptions.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Sections 5887-51 to 5887-59 shall not apply to any attorney-at-law duly