

the last completed state or national census, a population of not less than 275,000, and less than 350,000 inhabitants, the sheriff of said county shall be allowed a sum of not more than \$8,500 per annum thereafter to be used for the purchase, care, maintenance, operation, upkeep of automobiles and insurance including liability and property damage covering the operator of the automobiles, firearms and other necessary equipment and paraphernalia to be used in the performance of the duties pertaining to his office.

Approved April 1, 1943.

CHAPTER 259—H. F. No. 944.

An act relating to civil service for county employees in counties having a population of not less than 250,000 nor more than 450,000 inhabitants and amending Laws 1941, Chapter 513, Section 4, Subdivision 13, and Sections 6, 7 and 13.

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

Section 1. **Law amended—duties of Commission.**—Laws 1941, Chapter 513, Section 4, Subdivision 13, is hereby amended to read as follows:

For the reinstatement *or employment*, without competitive examination, to positions in the classified service, of persons holding exempt positions on the effective date of this act, when such persons terminate their exempt employment, provided that such persons shall have previously served such county or county agency for a period of *eight* years or more.

Sec. 2. **Law amended.**—Laws 1941, Chapter 513, Section 6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. **Classification of service.**—The officers and employees of such county and of any county or joint county and city agency, board or commission, supported in whole or in part by taxation upon the taxable property of such county, or appointed by the judges of the district court or probate court for such county, or by any board or agency composed of representatives of the county and any city in such county, *except the county welfare board*, are hereby divided into the unclassified and classified service.

The unclassified service shall comprise:

(a) All officers elected by popular vote or persons appointed to fill vacancies in such offices.

(b) Judges, receivers, referees, *examiner and assistant examiner of titles, public defender*, arbiters, jurors, judges and clerks of election, notaries public, and persons appointed by the district or probate courts to make or conduct any special inquiry of a judicial and temporary character.

(c) The superintendent or principal administrative officer of any separate department of county government or agency which is now or hereafter created by law.

(d) Members of the teaching staff, and supervisors and principals in the employ of the county, providing they are actually engaged in teaching or the supervision of teaching.

(e) Members of non-paid boards or commissions appointed by the county board or county board and city or acting in an advisory capacity; *attorneys, weed inspectors, or other employes by the county board for a limited period of time; and all employees engaged to operate or care for any improved or unimproved property forfeited to the state for non-payment of taxes exclusive of those employed in the office of the Land Commissioner.*

(f) One *chief deputy or principal assistant* for each elected public official.

(g) Doctors, interns, and student nurses employed by the county or any county agency.

(h) Special police officers or special deputy sheriffs serving without pay.

(i) District court reporters; and officers and employees of county probation offices, county boys' farms, and county girls' schools.

(j) Assistant county attorneys, or special investigators in the employ of the county attorney.

The classified service shall include all other offices or employments now existing or hereafter created in said counties and county agencies, *including the clerk of the probate court*, and all officers and employees not expressly placed in the unclassified service by the terms of this act, notwithstanding any other provisions in any existing law to the contrary. It shall include officers and employees of such county agencies, if the funds for such agencies are provided in whole or in part by such county. For the purpose of clarity it shall include officers, except as excluded in subdivision (e) of Section 6 above, and employees of joint city hall and court house commissions and all other agencies supported and controlled in whole or in part by the said counties, or jointly by said counties and any city of the first class located therein; pro-

vided, however, that nothing herein shall apply to the officers and employees of board of county welfare.

Sec. 3. **Law amended.**—Laws 1941, Chapter 513, Sec. 7 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7. **Certain employees to be protected.**—Any permanent employee who was in the employ of the county on *November 23, 1942*, and who is holding a position which is placed in the classified service under the provisions of this act when said act becomes effective, or part-time employees certified as such by the department heads, although not in active service on the effective date of this act, but who have been so employed during the year 1942 shall be subject to and protected by the provisions of this act but shall first be subject to the following: (a) the general classification directed to be made by Section 5 (e) of this act; and (b) a probationary period as provided in Section 4 (a) 6 of this act. The probationary period in the case of persons holding office or employment covered by this section shall begin to run from the date of the appointment of the civil service commission.

Sec. 4. **Law amended—not required to contribute to political campaigns—resignations—exceptions.**—Laws 1941, Chapter 513, Sec. 13 is hereby amended to read as follows:

No person holding any office, place or position of employment in the classified service shall be under any obligation to contribute to any political service or fund to any person or body whatever, and no person shall be removed, reduced or otherwise prejudiced for refusal so to do. Any person holding any office, place or position in the classified service shall resign from the service upon being elected to any public office. *Provided, however, that this Section shall not apply to any person who was elected to the legislature of the State of Minnesota on or prior to the date of approval by the voters of this act.*

Approved April 1, 1943.

CHAPTER 260—H. F. No. 972.

An act relating to deputy clerks in cities of the fourth class.

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

Section 1. **Compensation of deputy clerks in cities of fourth class.**—The council of any city of the fourth class operating un-