

\$4,000. The clerk of probate court shall be allowed the sum of \$2,100 annually, and the judge of probate shall be allowed such additional sum for clerk hire as may be necessary, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$1,200 annually.

**Sec. 4. Salary and clerk hire of Superintendent of Schools.**—The salary of the county superintendent of schools in any such county shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners and shall not be less than \$2,600 nor more than \$3,300 per annum. The superintendent of schools in any such county shall be allowed for clerk hire such sum as shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners, not exceeding, however, the sum of \$1,500 annually.

**Sec. 5. Salary and clerk hire of Clerk of Court.**—The salary of the clerk of court in any such county shall be the sum of \$1,500 per year. Clerk hire in the office of the clerk of court shall be the sum of \$2,500 per year and such additional amount as may be approved by order of the District Court of said county.

**Sec. 6. Clerk hire in office of Register of Deeds.**—The amount paid for clerk hire in the office of the register of deeds and for deputy register of deeds in such county shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners and shall not exceed the sum of \$1,800 per year.

**Sec. 7. Salary of County attorney.**—The annual salary of the county attorney in any such county shall be the sum of \$2,750.

**Sec. 8. Payments validated—exceptions.**—Any payments heretofore made to any of the county officers or employes in any such county referred to in Section 1 hereof which do not exceed 90 per cent of the amounts herein provided for are hereby declared legal and valid.

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CHAPTER 412—S. F. No. 789.

*An act providing for the rental of school buses by the governing body of any independent school district with territorial limits which coincide with the territorial limits of any city of the first class of the State of Minnesota and the government of which independent school district is not provided for in the charter of such city to any local transportation company operating within such*

*city and permitting the operation of such school buses by such local transportation company in rush hour periods during the period of the war emergency without the payment of any motor vehicle tax thereon.*

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

Section 1. **Definitions.**—Unless the language or context clearly indicates that a different meaning is intended, the following words, terms and phrases shall, for the purposes of this act, be given the meaning herein below stated.

(a) The term “local transportation company”, means any corporation or person engaged solely in the business of transporting persons for compensation as a common carrier over public highways in this state by trackless trolley bus or motor bus between fixed termini or over a regular route solely within the limits of a city of the first class whose territorial limits coincide with the territorial limits of an independent school district and the government of which independent school district is not provided for in the charter of such city or between such a city of the first class and any municipality contiguous thereto; provided that the meaning of “local transportation company” as used in this act shall not include corporations or persons engaged exclusively in the transportation of children to and from school.

(b) The term “rush hour periods”, when used in this act shall mean the periods of time between 5:00 and 9:00 o'clock in the mornings and between 5:00 and 9:00 o'clock in the evenings of each day of the week except Sunday.

(c) The term “period of the war emergency”, when used in this act shall mean the period of the duration of the present hostilities in which the United States is engaged and six months thereafter.

**Sec. 2. Independent school districts may rent school buses in certain cases.**—Any independent school district with territorial limits which coincide with the territorial limits of any city of the first class in the State of Minnesota, and the government of which independent school district is not provided for in the charter of such city, may lease or rent to any local transportation company operating within such city for the period of the war emergency or any part thereof, any and all of the school buses owned by such independent school district for such a rental and upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the governing body of such independent school district and such local transportation company, for the use and operation by such local transportation company for the transportation of passengers as a common carrier during rush

hour periods; provided that the use and operation of such school buses by such local transportation company shall not interfere with the use and operation of such school buses by such independent school district for the transportation of school children to and from school.

**Sec. 3. May be used as common carriers.**—Any local transportation company so renting or leasing such school buses may use and operate the same in the transportation of passengers as a common carrier without the payment of a motor vehicle tax thereon as provided for in Chapter 168 of Minnesota Statutes for 1941.

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CHAPTER 413—S. F. No. 1111.

*An act relating to firemen's relief associations in certain villages; amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 1264-13½d.*

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

**Section 1. Law amended.**—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 1264-13½d, is amended to read as follows:

**1264-13½. Deductions from pay—tax levy—premium on bonds of Treasurer and Secretary—investment of surplus.**—In addition to the moneys in the special fund of said association or provided to be raised therefor under existing laws for the payment of pensions and other benefits, revenues from the following sources shall be paid to said special fund, to-wit: It shall be the duty of the village recorder, treasurer or other disbursing officer of such village to deduct each month from the monthly pay of each member of the Fire Department who is a member of the association a sum equal to three and one-half per cent of such monthly pay, and to place the same to the credit of said special fund. The village council or other governing body of such village shall each year, at the time the tax levies are made for the general revenues of the village, levy, within the per capita or mill limitations now permitted by law, a tax one *one-fifth* of a mill on all of the taxable property of such village, which levy shall be transmitted to the county auditor of the county in which the village is situated at the time the other levies are transmitted and shall be collected, and the penalties therefor shall be enforced, in the same manner as the other taxes of such village. The village treasurer, when the moneys derived from such tax are received by