"Subd. 3. State divided into high school areas.—To facilitate and control the transportation of nonresident highschool pupils, the state board of education may divide the state into high school areas, each such area containing at least one classified public high school and such school districts and parts of districts as may conveniently be served by such high school; provided, however, that a school district may, upon a vote of its governing board in favor thereof, be assigned to the area of any adjoining or nearby district containing a classified public high school, if the latter, by vote of its governing board, is willing to have such district assigned to its area; provided, however, that the voters of a district set into a high school area by the governing board of their district, may, if they so desire, call a special election to decide which high school area they desire to join; and provided, further, that if such pupils are not transported to the nearest high school, the aid shall be limited to the amount which would be paid if they were transported to such high school. The state board of education shall formulate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for establishing such high school areas and for transporting nonresident pupils. The state board of education may appoint local advisory committees to assist in establishing such high school areas and in carrying out the rules and regulations pertaining to such areas and the transportation of nonresident pupils; but such rules and regulations shall not prevent or deny to any parent the right to transport, or to provide for the transportation of his children at his own expense, to the high school of any district willing to receive them. Any school district dissatisfied with the areas recommended by the advisory committee or established by the state board of education shall have the right of a hearing before the advisory committee and the state board of education."

Approved April 14, 1943.

CHAPTER 455-S. F. No. 1271.

(Amending Section 125.28 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to education and school board orders and amending Laws 1941, Chapter 169, Article 6, Section 28, Sub-division 3.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Orders not paid for want of funds.—Laws 1941, Chapter 169, Article 6, Section 28, Sub-division 3, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Every order drawn for the payment of teachers' wages, and for any other lawful purpose, after having been presented to the treasurer for payment, and not paid for want of funds, shall be endorsed by the treasurer by putting on the back thereof the words, "Not paid for want of funds," giving the date of indorsement and signed by the treasurer. A record of such presentment, nonpayment and indorsement, shall be made by the treasurer. Every such order shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum from the date of such presentment, and shall be paid in the order in which it is so presented and registered out of the first money received by the treasurer applicable to its payment; provided, that the district may enter into agreements with banks to take such orders at any rate of interest lower than the legal rate. The treasurer shall serve a written notice upon the payee or his assignee, personally, or by mail, when he is prepared to pay such order; such notice may be directed to the payee or his assignee at the address given in writing by such payee or assignee to such treasurer, at any time prior to the service of such notice; no order shall draw any interest if such address is not given when the same is unknown to the treasurer, and no order shall draw any interest after the service of such notice.

Approved April 14, 1943.

CHAPTER 456—H. F. No. 468.

(AMENDING SECTION 256.15 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 3199-15, as amended by Laws 1941, Chapter 466, Section 2, relating to old age assistance.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 3199-15, as amended by Laws 1941, Chapter 466, Section 2, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"3199-15. Pensioners—pension—other assistance.—(a) Any resident of this state who shall comply with the provisions of this act shall be eligible for old age assistance while continuing to reside in this state. Temporary absences from the state may be allowed a recipient in accordance with the regulations established by the state agency.