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

- Section 1. Motor registration tax on certain vehicles engaged in commercial passenger transportation.—Motor vehicles engaged in commercial passenger transportation as defined by Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2672, on a fixed route, one terminus of which is a plant manufacturing war materials, and carrying no passengers between other points of destination on such route, shall be subject only to the tax prescribed by Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2674, Subdivision (a), for motor vehicles carrying passengers but not engaged in commercial passenger traffic, except that the minimum tax to be paid shall be \$25.00, and shall otherwise be subject to all provisions of law applicable to motor vehicles engaged in commercial passenger transportation.
- Sec. 2. **Duration of Act.**—This act shall be effective until 60 days after cessation of hostilities in the present war as declared by proper Federal authority and shall then expire.
- Sec. 3. Application of Act.—Any motor vehicle which was operated during 1942 or 1943, in the manner and under the conditions prescribed by Section 1 hereof shall, for 1942 or 1943, be subject only to the tax therein provided. In case any person who shall have operated a motor vehicle in the manner and under the condition prescribed by Section 1 hereof shall have paid a tax for 1942 or 1943, in excess of the tax provided for in Section 1 hereof, he shall be entitled to have such excess payment refunded and the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to pay such refund.

Approved March 3, 1943.

CHAPTER 99-H. F. No. 98

(Amending Section 412.20 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to village councils and providing for a president pro tem in villages; amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1195.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1195, is amended to read as follows:

"1195. Meetings of council—compensation.—Regular meetings of the council shall be held at such times as may be prescribed

by the by-laws. Special meetings may be called by two members by writing filed with the clerk, who shall notify the members of the time and place thereof in the manner prescribed by the by-laws. The president shall preside, except that a president pro tempore shall be chosen from the trustees who shall preside in the absence of the president and who shall perform the duties of president during the president's disability or absence from the village. All meetings shall be open to the public. The council may preserve order at its meetings, compel the attendance of members, and punish non-attendance, and shall be the judge of the election and qualification of its members."

Approved March 3, 1943.

CHAPTER 100-H. F. No. 168

(Amending Sections 221.02 and 221.04 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act relating to definitions in the laws governing motor vehicle transportation for hire, and providing for extension of powers and authority of the railroad and warehouse commission for routes and operations of auto transportation companies, and amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes, 1927, Sections 5015-2 and 5015-4.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927, Section 5015-2, is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "Definitions—(a) The word "Commission" means the Railroad and Warehouse Commission of the State of Minnesota.
- (b) The term "Corporation" means a corporation, company, association or joint stock association.
- (c) The term "person" means an individual, firm or co-partnership.
- (d) The word "certificate" means the certificate of public convenience and necessity authorized to be issued under the provisions of this act.
- (e) The term "public highway" means every street, road, or highway in this state, and shall include any highway, state road, county road, public street, avenue, alley, driveway, boulevard, or other place built, supported, maintained, controlled or