

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

Section 1. Instruction to veterans; compensation. The State Teachers College Board is authorized to contract with the government of the United States to furnish to veterans who have heretofore served or shall hereafter serve in the armed forces of the United States any instruction or service which is available at a state teachers college to any other person who shall pay the tuition fees and other charges prescribed by law. The reasonable compensation to be paid by the United States to the state therefor shall be determined by the board, taking into consideration the service and things to be furnished by the state and that the designation of the persons to be so instructed and trained is to be determined by the United States government.

Sec. 2. Qualification of applicant. The board shall reserve the right to determine that a person designated by the United States to receive such training and instruction is unfit therefor, if such is the judgment of persons charged with such determination for the state, in which case the state teachers college board may refuse to receive such person for instruction.

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CHAPTER 252—S. F. No. 823

An act relating to the changing of boundaries of school districts of certain counties by action of the county board.

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

Section 1. What counties. This act shall apply to all counties in the state comprising an area of more than 2500 square miles, and having not to exceed six school districts, and having a mineral valuation of not less than 50 per cent of the total assessed valuation thereof.

Sec. 2. Resolution. The school board of each of the school districts to be affected by the proceedings hereafter described may pass a resolution authorizing the filing of a petition with the County Board praying for a change in the boundary lines between such districts so as to transfer territory from one of said districts to the other, or for a mutual exchange of territory.

Sec. 3. Contents of petition. Such petition shall contain (1) a correct description of the territory to be directly affected by such change in boundary lines, (2) the number of persons residing in such territory, (3) the assessed value thereof, (4) the reasons for such change, which shall include the fact that the change will more equitably provide or apportion educational opportunities to pupils in one or both of the districts affected, and (5) the total number of pupils in such territory and the number thereof who have been regularly transported from the districts where now situated to the district to which it is proposed to transfer the same.

Sec. 4. Hearing and notice. Upon the presentation of such petition, accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the school boards of the school districts affected have agreed upon a definite division of the moneys, funds, credits and property belonging to such districts in connection with such proposed change in boundaries and have agreed upon an apportioning of the outstanding obligations thereof, other than bonded indebtedness, the County Board shall appoint a time and place for hearing thereon and shall cause two weeks' published notice thereof to be given in the county. Such notice shall also be served on the clerk of each district by mail at least ten days before the time set for hearing, and the auditor's certificate shall be proof of the mailing.

Sec. 5. Order; filing; effective date. At the hearing, the board shall receive any evidence and consider any arguments for or against such proposed change in boundaries and shall make an order either granting or denying the petition; and, if the petition be granted, the order shall particularly set forth the change provided for and shall provide for a division of all moneys, funds, credits and property belonging to such districts and for an apportionment of the outstanding obligations other than bonded indebtedness which said division shall be such as has been agreed upon by the districts affected as hereinbefore provided. A copy of such order shall be filed with the auditor and a copy mailed to the clerk of each of the districts affected. The change set forth in such order shall become effective 60 days after mailing such notice, the County Board shall grant the petition if such change in boundaries will be for the best interests of a majority of the pupils of the districts affected.

Sec. 6. Appeal. Any person aggrieved may appeal from such order to the District Court of the County upon the following grounds:

- (1) That the County Board had no jurisdiction to act;
- (2) That it has exceeded its jurisdiction;
- (3) That its action is against the best interests of a majority of the pupils of the districts affected.

Such appeal shall be taken by serving upon the county auditor within 30 days from the making of the order a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. Such further proceedings shall be had upon such appeal as upon other appeals from the County Board.

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CHAPTER 253—S. F. No. 907

An act authorizing the Commissioner of Highways to carry a policy of insurance covering the payment of benefits accruing under the Workmen's Compensation Act to employees of the Department of Highways engaged in work off the trunk highway system and providing for the payment of the premiums therefor.

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

Section 1. Commissioner to procure insurance. The Commissioner of Highways is authorized to procure on the open market a policy of insurance covering the payment of benefits accruing under the Workmen's Compensation Act to employees of the Department of Highways engaged in work off the Trunk Highway System pursuant to any agreements made for such work by the Commissioner of Highways with any political subdivision or agency of the state.

Sec. 2. Payment of premium; reimbursement. The Commissioner of Highways is hereby authorized to pay the premiums for any said policy of insurance out of the trunk highway fund. The political subdivision or agency of the state for whom work is performed by employees of the Department of Highways pursuant to any agreement therefor made with the Commissioner of Highways shall pay to the trunk highway fund that portion of the premium for said policy of insurance directly attributable to the work performed for it.

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