

## CHAPTER 35—H. F. No. 446

*An act relating to the fees of county treasurers and validating payments heretofore made; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 272.47.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 272.47 is amended to read as follows:

**272.47. Violations; liability.** The county treasurer, upon written application of any person, shall make search of the tax duplicates and records of his office and ascertain the amount of current tax against any lot or parcel of land described in the application, and shall certify the result of such search under his hand and seal of office, giving the description of land, year of tax and amount, if any, and for such certificate he shall be entitled to charge the applicant therefor the sum of 25 cents, which fee shall be retained by him and shall be in addition to any salary or compensation otherwise allowed him by law.

This section shall not authorize such treasurer to charge any amount for certifying to taxes on a deed to be recorded or for information with reference to the current tax on any subdivision of land in his county, where no certificate thereof is necessary or required. The provisions of this section shall not apply to counties having a population of more than 200,000.

All fees heretofore collected by any county treasurer in strict conformity with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 272.47, is hereby declared to be the property of such county treasurer.

Approved March 2, 1945.

## CHAPTER 36—S. F. No. 237

*An act authorizing the repairing, cleaning out, deepening, widening and improving of public road ditches and authorizing the use of county drainage machinery therefor.*

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

Section 1. **Improving public road ditches.** For the purpose of draining public roads and preventing accumulations

of water in road ditches, the overflow of which may damage adjacent lands, the various authorities having supervision over public roads, in addition to all other powers granted to said authorities, are authorized and empowered to expend moneys from funds available therefor in repairing, cleaning out, deepening, widening and improving public road ditches within the jurisdiction and supervision of such authorities. The necessity for such work shall be determined by the authorities which now have the supervision of said public roads, provided, however, that before said work may be done said road supervising authority shall determine that said road ditch as so improved will be provided with an adequate outlet.

**Sec. 2. Rental of ditch machinery by county board to municipalities.** The county board of any county now or hereafter owning machinery or equipment used in the construction and maintenance of ditches may lease such machinery and its incidental appliances to municipalities within such county upon such rate of rental and upon such terms and conditions as the county board may prescribe.

Approved March 3, 1945.

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#### CHAPTER 37—S. F. No. 590

*An act authorizing the use of funds heretofore appropriated for the maintenance of the Winona State Teachers College for repairs to Prentiss Lodge.*

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

**Section 1. Appropriation for repairs and purchase of equipment for dormitory at Winona State Teachers College.** Of the funds appropriated for the maintenance of the Winona State Teachers College for the fiscal year ending July 1, 1945; the sum of \$7,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, may be expended and used any time prior to July 1, 1947, in making necessary repairs and for the purchase of equipment for Prentiss Lodge, a dormitory acquired at said teachers college by gift.

Approved March 5, 1945.