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CHAPTER 138-H. F. No. 901

An act relating to contracts of county boards in certain counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 375.21, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 375.21, Subdivision 1, is amended to read as follows:

375.21. Contracts of county boards in certain counties. Subdivision 1. Population less than 75,000. In counties having less than 75,000 population, no contract for work or labor, or for the purchase of furniture, fixtures, or other property, or for the construction or repair of roads, bridges, or buildings, the estimated cost or value of which shall exceed \$1,000, shall be made by the county board without first advertising for bids or proposals in some newspaper of the county. If, for the purchase of property or for work and labor, two weeks' published notice that proposals will be received, stating the time and place, shall be given. If, for the construction or repair of roads, bridges, or buildings, three weeks' published notice shall be given and 15 days' posted notice in the town where the construction is to be done. The notice shall state the time and place of awarding the contract and contain a brief description of the work. Every such contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder and duly executed in writing, and the person to whom the same is awarded shall give a sufficient bond to the board for its faithful performance. If no satisfactory bid is received, the board may readvertise. Every contract made without compliance with the provisions of this section shall be void. In case of the destruction of roads or bridges by floods or other casualty, or of unforseen injuries to machinery in or connected with public buildings, where the public interests would suffer by delay, contracts for repairs may be made without advertising for bids.

Approved March 24, 1947.

CHAPTER 139—H. F. No. 980 [Not Coded]

An act authorizing and directing the governor and the state auditor to execute a deed to certain lands now belonging to the state of Minnesota in exchange for a deed to certain