

CHAPTER 360—H. F. No. 54

An act relating to the business and contracts of counties and prohibiting officials and employees from having an interest therein; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 382.18.

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

382.18. Officials not to be interested in contracts; violation; gross misdemeanor. Section 1. No county official, or deputy or clerk or employee of such official, and no commissioner for tax-forfeited lands or his assistants, shall be directly or indirectly interested in any contract, work, labor, or business to which the county is a party or in which it is or may be interested or in the furnishing of any article to, or the purchase or sale of any property, real or personal, by, the county, or of which the consideration, price, or expense is payable from the county treasury. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a gross misdemeanor.

Approved April 16, 1947.

CHAPTER 361—H. F. No. 1202

An act relating to the enforcement of zoning regulations in certain counties and amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 394.16.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 394.16, is amended to read as follows:

394.16. Violation a misdemeanor. Subdivision 1. **Prohibition; penalty.** It is hereby declared unlawful for any person to violate any of the terms and provisions of sections 394.06 to 394.17, or the provisions of any plan or plans proposed by the county planning commission and accepted by the town board or the city or village council. Violation thereof shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 90 days. These fines shall be paid to the county and shall be credited to the general revenue fund.

Sec. 2. Subd. 2. Establishment of department of investigation in the office of county engineer. *In order to permit more effective regulation and enforcement of this act or*

the regulations adopted pursuant thereto any such town, city or village may by resolution, duly adopted, apply to the board of county commissioners to establish in the office of the county engineer, and under his supervision, a department, the duty of which shall be to make all investigations and to perform all acts necessary for the application or enforcement of this act or the regulations relating to zoning. Upon the receipt of a certified copy of such resolution, the board of county commissioners may establish such department and thereupon, the county engineer shall exercise all of the authority and duties imposed upon or vested in any officer of any such municipality under this act or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto, relating to investigations and the enforcement of the provisions of this act and such regulations.

The authority of the county engineer should not extend to any city, village or township unless the governing body of such municipality shall by resolution request or authorize the exercise of such authority.

The county board shall provide the county engineer with such technical and clerical assistance and such equipment as may be required.

Approved April 16, 1947.

CHAPTER 362—H. F. No. 1203

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An act relating to the issuance of permits and the enforcement of building code regulations by the county engineer in counties having not less than 240,000 nor more than 350,000 inhabitants, and amending Laws 1939, Chapter 79, Section 3.

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

Section 1. Laws 1939, Chapter 79, Section 3, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. **Permits to be issued by town board.** The authority to issue permits, to provide inspection of construction, repair, alteration, and removal of any building and of structures dangerous to persons or property and the enforcement of any regulations adopted under the authority conferred in