

three days' notice posted on a public bulletin board in the office of the commissioner. The commissioner shall also solicit sealed bids by mail in such cases, in like manner as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 16.10, is amended so as to read as follows:

16.10. **Signed by head of department.** Except as otherwise provided in Sections 16.01 to 16.23, every contract shall be signed in behalf of the state by the head of the interested department or agency, and no purchase order or contract shall be valid or effective without the approval and signature of the commissioner and the counter-signature of the auditor, who shall certify that the appropriation and allotment have been encumbered for the full amount of the contract liability.

Approved March 25, 1949.

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#### CHAPTER 190—S. F. No. 254

*An act relating to salaries of court reporters and amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 486.05, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1947, Chapter 177, Section 1, Subdivision 1.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 486.05, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1947, Chapter 177, Section 1, Subdivision 1, is hereby amended to read as follows:

486.05. **Salaries.** Subdivision 1. **How fixed.** The judge, by an order filed with the county auditors annually on or before the first Monday in May, 1949, and on or before the first Monday in January, annually thereafter, shall fix and establish the salary of the court reporter at an amount not exceeding \$4,700 per year and, in such order, shall apportion the salaries of the reporters in their respective districts among the several counties, and each county shall be required by such order to pay a specified amount thereof in monthly installments, which amount shall be such proportion of the whole salary as the number of days' work actually done by the reporter in the trial of cases in that county during the

preceding year bears to the whole number so performed in the district. In fixing the court reporter's salary the judge shall give due consideration to the general economic conditions then prevailing. Each reporter shall have and maintain his residence in the district in which he is appointed, but if any reporter be appointed in two or more districts he may reside in either or any of them. The reporter, in addition to his salary, shall be paid such sums as he shall pay out as necessary railway, traveling, and hotel expenses while absent from the city or village in which he resides in the discharge of his official duties, such expenses to be paid by the county for which the same were incurred upon presentation of a verified itemized statement thereof approved by the judge; and the auditor of such county, upon presentation of such approved statement, shall issue his warrant in payment thereof.

Approved March 26, 1949.

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CHAPTER 191—S. F. No. 574

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to police relief association in certain villages; amending Laws 1931, Chapter 48, Sections 6 and 7, as amended.*

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

**Section 1. Police relief association in certain villages.** Laws 1931, Chapter 48, Section 6, as amended by Laws 1933, Chapter 122, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1939, Chapter 304, Subdivisions 1 and 2, as amended by Laws 1945, Chapter 300, Subdivision 2, as amended by Laws 1947, Section 1, is amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. Powers of association.** Said association through its officers shall have full charge, management and control of the pension fund herein provided for, which said fund shall be derived from the sources herein stated: from gifts of real estate or personal property, and from the rents and sales thereof or the income therefrom. It shall also be the duty of the village recorder, treasurer or other disbursing officers of such village where a police relief association has been duly incorporated and organized under the provisions of