

Sec. 4. **Information not available to the public.** No such report, or part thereof, nor any copy of the same or part thereof, shall be open to the public, nor shall any of the contents thereof be disclosed, in any manner, by any official or clerk or other employee or person having access thereto, but all such information shall be confidential and may only be used for the purposes set forth in this act. And any such disclosure other than is provided for in this act, is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor and punishable as such. No officer or employee of the board shall interview any patient named in any such report, nor a relative of any such patient, unless the consent of the attending physician and surgeon is first obtained.

Approved April 9, 1949.

CHAPTER 351—S. F. No. 1112
[Coded as Sections 418.14, 418.15]

An act relating to the government of cities of the fourth class operating under a special law; and permitting certain changes in such government upon approval by the voters.

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

[418.14] **Section 1. Change in method of selecting city clerk; change of length of term of members of city council.** The council of any city of the fourth class operating under a special law may, by ordinance subject to the referendum provided by section 2, provide for any of the following changes in the government of the city.

(1) A change in the method of selecting the city clerk or recorder so as to provide for election by the people or appointment by the council for an indefinite term or for such term as is fixed in the ordinance;

(2) A change in the length of term of members of the city council and a change in the year in which any of such members are to be elected; but no such ordinance shall provide for terms longer than three years.

[418.15] **Sec. 2. Referendum.** Each such ordinance shall be confined to the change or changes enumerated in one

of the paragraphs of section 1. No such ordinance shall become effective until it has been submitted to the voters of the city at a general or special election and approved by a majority of those voting on the question of its approval. No such ordinance shall diminish the term of any incumbent elective officer. Each such ordinance shall remain in effect until amended or repealed in the same manner.

Approved April 9, 1949.

CHAPTER 352—S. F. No. 1114

[Coded as Section 465.61]

An act relating to purchases and contracts of cities of the fourth class operating under a special law.

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

[465.61] **Section 1. Purchases by city of the fourth class under special law.** Any city of the fourth class operating under a special law may purchase materials, supplies, or equipment and contract for the construction of public works without advertising for bids therefor whenever the amount involved does not exceed \$500.

Sec. 2. Advertising not required. Any such city is not required by this act to advertise for bids in any case where it is not required to do so by any other law.

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CHAPTER 353—S. F. No. 1173

[Not Coded]

An act legalizing proceedings in certain villages in the making of street improvements under Chapter 429, Minnesota Statutes.

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