

CHAPTER 641—H. F. No. 1350

An act relating to sewers and sewage disposal plants for cities of the second and third class and villages; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 443.12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 443.12, is amended to read :

443.12. Cities of the second and third class and villages may establish sewers and sewage disposal plants. Any city of the *second class however organized or third class* or any village, may build and construct, when authorized by an ordinance passed by a two-thirds vote of the governing body thereof, a sewage treatment or disposal plant or plants for public use, and any such municipality which has installed, or may hereafter install, build or construct, a system of sewers, sewage pumping station, or a sewage treatment or disposal plant or plants for public use, in addition to all other powers granted to it, shall have authority, by an ordinance duly adopted by the governing body thereof, to charge just and equitable rates, charges, or rentals for the use of such facilities and for connection therewith by every person, firm or corporation whose premises are served by such facilities, either directly or indirectly. These charges shall be as nearly as possible equitable in proportion to the service rendered, and shall take into consideration the quantity of sewage produced and its concentration, strength of river, lake, bay, or other body of water, pollution qualities in general and the cost of its disposal. The charges shall be fixed on the basis of water consumed, or any other equitable basis the governing body may deem appropriate and, if the council so directs, may be established as a surcharge on the water bills of all water consumers in the municipality on the grounds that the sewage treatment is for the purpose of preventing pollution of sources of water supply, or on some other basis of measuring the use made of these facilities. In case of arrangements with other municipalities, districts, or private parties for the supplying of sewers, such rates, charges, or rentals may also be levied the same as in independent operations.

Sec. 2. Provided, however, that the provisions of any home rule charter of any such cities of the second class applic-

able to the building and construction of any such improvement shall be and remain in full force and effect and shall not be superseded by any other provision of this act.

Approved April 23, 1949.

CHAPTER 642—H. F. No. 1504

[Coded as Sections 197.80 to 197.97,
273.131, 290.061, 298.011, 299.011]

An act relating to the payment of adjusted compensation to certain persons who served in the armed forces of the United States between December 7, 1941, and September 2, 1945, or to the beneficiaries of such persons, prescribing penalties for violations thereof, levying certain taxes to provide funds therefor, authorizing the issuance and sale of certificates of indebtedness in anticipation of the collection of such taxes, appropriating moneys for the purposes of this act, and amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Chapters 290, as amended, 298, as amended, 299, as amended, and Sections 290.361, as amended, 290.06, as amended, and 340.47, as amended.

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

[197.80] Section 1. **Definitions.** Subdivision 1. For the purposes of this act, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the words, terms and phrases defined in this section shall have the meanings ascribed to them.

Subd. 2. "Applicant" means a veteran or his guardian, or a beneficiary or his guardian, eligible for adjusted compensation payments, who has filed an application therefor with the commissioner.

Subd. 3. "Armed forces" means the following: The United States Army, Army of the United States, United States Navy, United States Naval Reserve, United States Coast Guard, Women's Army Corps, Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, United States Navy Women's Reserve, United States Marine Corps Women's Reserve, United States Coast Guard Women's Reserve, Army Nurses' Corps, and Navy Nurses' Corps, United States Coast Guard Reserve, which shall not include the United States Coast Guard Temporary Reserve.