employee holding a position in the classified service of this state shall, directly or indirectly, solicit or receive, or be in any manner concerned in soliciting or receiving, any assistance, assessment, or subscription, whether voluntary or involuntary, for any political purpose or for any political party or affiliate thereof. No officer or employee in the classified service shall be a delegate or alternate to any political convention. No officer, agent, clerk, or employee of this state shall, directly or indirectly, use his authority or official influence to compel any officer or employee in the classified service to apply for membership in or become a member of any organization, or to pay or promise to pay any assessment, subscription, or contribution, or to take part in any political activity. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished accordingly, and if any officer or employee in the classified service is found guilty of violating any provision of this section, he is automatically separated from the service.

Except as herein provided any officer or employee in the state classified service shall resign from the service upon filing as a candidate for public office. Officers or employees in the state classified service may be candidates for and occupy a village, township or school district office if the office is one for which no compensation is provided.

· Approved April 21, 1951.

CHAPTER 656-H. F. No. 1197 [Coded as Section 300.026]

An act relating to corporations created by special legislative acts and providing for selection of trustees or directors thereof.

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

[300.026] Section 1. [Subdivision 1] Incorporated under a special act. Any corporation created by a special act of the legislature of the Territory of Minnesota or of the State of Minnesota which prescribes a method of selection of

the trustees or directors of such corporation may change such method to the method hereinafter provided by adoption by the body or persons empowered by the special act to select such trustees or directors of a resolution electing to have such trustees or directors selected as provided in section 2 of this act.

- Sec. 2. [Subd. 2] After a certified copy of the resolution adopted as provided in section 1 of this act is filed in the office of the secretary of state, the board of trustees or directors of the corporation shall be self-perpetuating, and all vacancies in such board shall be filled by the board of trustees or directors at its annual meeting or at any regular meeting thereof.
- Sec. 3. [Subd. 3] This act shall not apply to the Board of Regents of the University of the State of Minnesota.

Approved April 21, 1951.

CHAPTER 657—H. F. No. 1205

An act relating to the public defender in certain counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 611.13, Subdivision 4.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 611.13, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:
- 611.13 Subd. 4. Compensation. The public defender shall receive such compensation for his services as the judges of the district court shall fix, in a sum not to exceed \$2,500, such compensation to be paid by the county in the same manner and at the same time as the salaries of other county officials.

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