portions of the context as the attorney general deems necessary to an understanding of the proposed amendment. In the month of October prior to the election, the secretary of state. shall give two weeks' published notice of such statement in all legal newspapers of the state. The secretary of state shall furnish such statement to such newspapers in plate form from seven-and-one-half-point type on eight-point slugs. The maximum rate for such publication shall be \$1.20 per folio net for the two publications. If any newspaper shall refuse the publication of the amendments, this refusal and failure of the publication shall have no effect on the validity of the amendments. The secretary of state shall also forward to each county auditor copies of such statement, in poster form, in quantities sufficient to supply each election district of his county with two copies thereof. The auditor shall cause two copies to be conspicuously posted at or near each polling place on election day. Wilful or negligent failure by any official named to perform any duty imposed upon him by this section shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

Approved April 23, 1951.

## CHAPTER 700—S. F. No. 507

An act relating to marriage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 517.08, 517.09, 517.10; and repealing Minnesota Statutes 1949. Sections 517.11 and 517.12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 517.08, is amended to read:

517.08. Application for license. Application for a marriage license shall be made at least five days before a license shall be issued. Such application shall contain the full names of the applicants, their postoffice addresses and county and state of residence, and their full ages. The clerk shall examine upon oath the party applying for license relative to the legality of such contemplated marriage and, if at the expiration of this five-day period, he is satisfied that there is no legal impediment thereto, he shall issue such license, containing the

full names of the applicants and county and state of residence, with his official seal attached, and make a record thereof. which license shall be valid for a period of six months. In case of emergency or extraordinary circumstances, the judge of the probate court, or any judge of the district court of the county in which the application is made, may authorize the license to be issued at any time before the expiration of the five days. If any person intending to marry shall be under the age of 21, if a male, and under the age of 18, if a female, and shall not have had a former husband or wife, such license shall not be issued unless the consent of the parents or guardians shall be given under the hand of such parents or guardians, attested by two witnesses, and duly verified by an officer duly authorized to take oaths and duly attested by a seal, where such officer has a seal. The clerk shall collect from the applicant a fee of \$3.00 for administering the oath, and issuing, recording, and filing all papers required. If the license should not be used within the period of 6 months due to illness or other extenuating circumstances, it may be surrendered to the clerk for cancellation, and in such case a new license shall issue upon request of the parties to the original license without fee therefor. Any clerk who shall knowingly issue or sign a marriage license in any other manner than in this section provided shall forfeit and pay for the use of the parties aggrieved not to exceed \$1,000.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949; Section 517.09, is amended to read:
- 517.09. Solemnization. In the solemnization of marriage no particular form shall be required, except that the parties shall declare in the presence of a person authorized by Section 517.04 to solemnize marriages, and the attending witnesses that they take each other as husband and wife. In each case at least two witnesses shall be present besides the person performing the ceremony.
- Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 517.10, is amended to read:
- 517.10. Certificate, witnesses. The person solemnizing a marriage shall prepare under his hand three certificates thereof. Each certificate shall contain the *full* names and county and state of residences of the parties and the date and place of the marriage. Each certificate shall also contain the signatures of at least two of the witnesses present at the

marriage who shall be at least 16 years of age. The person solemnizing the marriage shall give each of the parties one such certificate, and shall immediately make a record of such marriage, and file one such certificate with the clerk of the district court of the county in which the license was issued within five days after the ceremony. The clerk shall record such certificate in a book kept for that purpose.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 517.11 and 517.12, are hereby repealed.

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## CHAPTER 701—S. F. No. 721

An act relating to the compensation and mileage of the members of the legislature; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 3.10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 3.10, is amended to read:

3.10 Members; compensation, mileage. The compensation of each member of the House of Representatives of the Legislature shall be \$3,000 for the entire term to which he is elected, which shall be due on the first day of the regular legislative session of the term and payable as follows:

\$500 on the first day of February,

\$500 on the first day of March,

\$500 on the first day of April of the year in which the regular legislative session is held and

\$500 on the last day of the regular legislative session;

\$1,000 on the first day of January in the year following the year in which the regular legislative session was held.