

the first class; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 215.13.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 215.13, is amended to read:

215.13. **Cities of second, third or fourth class.** The public examiner shall have like power and duty to supervise the accounts of all cities not included in section 215.12. He shall have the authority to require, in his discretion, the financial officers of any city not included in section 215.12 to send all books, accounts, and vouchers pertaining to the receipt, disbursement, and custody of its public funds to the office of the public examiner for examination. He may prescribe and install for such cities systems of accounts and reports, which shall be uniform for each class of cities and offices. He may conduct such examinations of accounts and records as he may deem the public interest to demand.

The report of such examination shall be filed with the mayor and city council or commission; and, in case of any violation of law, it shall be prosecuted, as provided in section 215.12 with respect to the examination of *cities of the first class*.

Approved March 29, 1951.

CHAPTER 187—H. F. No. 539

An act relating to the duties and responsibilities of the public examiner; and amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 215.21.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 215.21, is amended to read:

215.21. **Examination, payment of cost.** Upon the examination of the books, records, accounts, and affairs of any city, village, town, or school district, as provided by law, such

city, village, town, or school district shall be liable to the state for the total cost and expenses of such examination, including the salaries paid to the examiners while actually engaged in making such examination. *The public examiner if he deems it advisable may bill such city, village, town, or school district monthly for services rendered and the officials responsible for approving and paying claims are authorized to pay said bill promptly. Said payments shall be without prejudice to any defense against said claims that may exist or be asserted.* The revolving fund of the public examiner shall be credited with all collections made for any such examinations.

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CHAPTER 188—H. F. No. 562

(Not Coded)

An act relating to tax levies in certain counties, limiting the amount that may be levied in excess of limitations under existing laws, in all counties now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of real and personal property exclusive of moneys and credits of not less than \$12,000,000, more than 50 per cent of which valuation consists of iron ore and having a population of not less than 25,000 nor more than 50,000 inhabitants; amending Laws 1941, Chapter 212, Sections 1 and 14.

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

Section 1. Laws 1941, Chapter 212, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Application of act.** This act shall apply to all counties in the state now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of real and personal property, exclusive of moneys and credits, of not less than \$12,000,000, more than 50 per cent of which valuation consists of iron ore, and having a population of not less than 25,000 nor more than 50,000 inhabitants.

Sec. 2. Laws 1941, Chapter 212, Section 14, is amended to read: