

county board at its July meeting may include in its annual levy not to exceed 20 mills for the county road and bridge fund.

Approved April 6, 1951.

CHAPTER 261—S. F. No. 1122

An act relating to regulation of county roads by counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 222.37.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 222.37, is amended to read:

222.37. **Restrictions on use of highways.** Any water power, telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, or electric light, heat, or power company may use public roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating, and maintaining lines, subways, canals, or conduits, for their business, but such lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary travel along or over the same; and, in the construction and maintenance of such line, subway, canal, or conduit, the company shall be subject to all reasonable regulations imposed by the governing body of any *county*, town, village, or city in which such public road may be. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant to any person any rights for the maintenance of a telegraph, telephone, pneumatic tube, light, heat, or power system within the corporate limits of any city or village until such person shall have obtained the right to maintain such system within such city or village, or for a period beyond that for which the right to operate such system is granted by such city or village.

Approved April 6, 1951.

CHAPTER 262—S. F. No. 1187

[Not Coded]

An act relating to primary elections in certain independ-

ent school districts; amending Laws 1939, Chapter 86, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1939, Chapter 86, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Primary elections in certain school districts.** Any independent school district, *now or hereafter* having *less than ten townships* and not less than 4,000 nor more than 6,000 inhabitants, and having *three* organized villages or parts of three organized villages within its boundaries may hold a primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for school offices, and such school district may adopt *this primary election system* by either one of the following methods:

1. By resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of the governing body of such independent school district; or

2. By a petition signed by at least ten per cent of the legal voters of said independent school district, addressed to the governing body of said independent school district, requesting that said governing body submit to the voters of said district for determination, the question as to whether said independent school district shall have a primary election system for the purpose of nominating candidates for school offices within said independent school district at a special election to be held for that purpose. Within 15 days after receiving such petition the governing board of any independent school district coming within the provisions of this act shall provide for such special election and shall give not less than ten nor more than 15 days posted and published notice thereof. The form of the question to be voted on at said special election shall be as follows: "Shall Independent School District No. of the county of adopt the primary election system for the nomination of candidates for school offices?" If a majority of the votes cast at such special election shall be in favor of said proposition, then the primary election system shall be deemed to be in force and effect in said school district.

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