

enumerated in Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Chapter 35, the 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Chapter 35, Laws 1943, Chapter 474 and Laws 1951, Chapter 672; provided, their books and accounts shall be subject to examination by the public examiner at any time, as in the case of other state agencies.

Approved March 20, 1953.

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CHAPTER 130—H. F. No. 420

*An act relating to the duties of the county superintendent of schools; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 121.01.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 121.01, is amended to read:

**121.01 County superintendent, duties.** In addition to their other duties, county superintendents shall visit and instruct each school in their counties, except those under the immediate charge of a city or district superintendent, at least once in each term. They shall instruct its teachers; organize and conduct such teachers institutes as they deem expedient; encourage teachers associations; advise teachers and school boards in regard to the best methods of instruction, the most approved plans for building, improving, and ventilating school houses or ornamenting school grounds and of adapting them to the convenience and health exercise of the pupils; stimulate school officers to the prompt and proper discharge of their duties; receive and file all reports required to be made to them; and make a report to the state commissioner of education containing an abstract of such reports, a written statement of the condition and prospects of the schools under their charge, and such other matters as they may deem proper or as may be called for by the state commissioner of education. County superintendents shall upon request of the county board of their respective counties promptly investigate, advise, and make recommendations to the county board in proceedings to change boundaries of school districts, and in proceedings to annex land upon petition of a freeholder, and in all other proceedings pending before the county board involving the attachment or detachment of school district territory.

*In any county where there is no county superintendent of schools the commissioner of education shall perform all duties required of such superintendent.*

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