

any has been issued or other process, or on the appearance of the child with or without summons or other process in person before the court, and on the return of the service of notice, if there be any person to be notified, or a personal appearance or written consent to the proceedings of the person or persons, if any to be notified, or as soon thereafter as may be, the court shall proceed to hear the case, and may proceed in a summary manner.

In all such proceedings in counties having less than 150,000 population the county attorney shall appear for the petitioner. The child shall have the right to appear and be represented by counsel and, if unable to provide counsel, the court may appoint counsel for him. The counsel shall receive from the general revenue fund of the county reasonable compensation for each day actually employed, in court or actually consumed in preparing for the hearing as is allowed by the court.

In all such proceedings the county welfare board shall upon the request of the judge of the juvenile court or the county attorney, cause an investigation to be made relative to the child and the child's family. In all such proceedings, such child may be released into the custody of the parent, guardian, or custodian.

Approved March 26, 1953.

CHAPTER 159—S. F. No. 239

An act relating to the reimbursement of public officers and employees for the use of privately owned automobiles in the performance of their duties, amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 350.11, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 641, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 350.11, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 641, Section 1, is amended to read:

350.11 Mileage, allowance; exception. The maximum amount which shall be paid by the state, any department or bureau thereof, or any county, city, village, town, or school district, to any officer or employee, except sheriffs or deputy sheriffs, as compensation or reimbursement for the use by such officer of his own automobile in the performance of his duties shall not exceed seven and one-half cents per mile, provided

that in counties having a population of 550,000 inhabitants or over when the county board shall determine that because of low mileage operation of his car and the cost of parking fees and incidental expenses the rate per mile is not adequate to reimburse any such officer or employee, it may make him an allowance in lieu of mileage not to exceed \$20.00 per month; *and provided further that in cities of the second class operating pursuant to the provisions of a legislative charter the City Council thereof, or other appropriate governing body, may pay an allowance in lieu of mileage to employees other than elected city officials, which said allowance in lieu of mileage shall not exceed \$40 per month.*

This section shall be construed as amending all existing laws authorizing such allowance or reimbursements by imposing the maximum limit above set forth.

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CHAPTER 160—S. F. No. 506

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the salary of the special judge of the municipal court of the City of Winona, Minnesota; amending Special Laws of 1885, Chapter 115, Section 23, as amended.

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

Section 1. Special Laws of 1885, Chapter 115, Section 23, as amended by Special Laws of 1889, Chapter 14, is amended to read:

Sec. 23. Winona municipal court, special judge. At the regular city election in said city on the first Monday in April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine (1889), there shall be elected a special judge of the municipal court, who shall be a resident of said city, and a person duly admitted to practice in the courts of this state, and whose term of office shall begin on the third Monday in April in the year of his election and continue for four (4) years, and until his successor shall be elected and justified; any vacancy occurring in the office of the special judge shall be filled in the same manner hereinafter prescribed in case of vacancy in the office of municipal judge. At the request of the municipal judge, in the case of a press of business in said court, or at the request of the mayor of said city in the case of the absence or sickness of the municipal judge, said special judge shall act as judge of said court, and when the special judge so acts he shall have and exercise the same powers as the municipal judge; said