

making use of the standard school patrol flag or signal as approved and prescribed by the commissioner of highways.

Subd. 3. Sign on bus. This section shall be applicable only in the event the school bus shall bear upon the front and rear thereof a plainly visible sign containing the words "school bus" in letters not less than six inches in height, which can be removed or covered when the vehicle is not in use as a school bus.

Subd. 4. Application, divided roadway. The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with divided roadways need not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is upon a different roadway.

Sec. 2. *This act shall be effective from and after September 1, 1953.*

Approved April 13, 1953.

CHAPTER 327—S. F. No. 1350

[Not Coded]

An act to legalize proceedings in certain counties and villages preliminary to and in the issuance of bonds for the construction of a county hospital in such villages.

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

Section 1. County hospital, proceedings for erection validated. When an election has been held in any county of this state at which the voters thereof have approved, by a majority of the votes cast upon each question, the questions of constructing a county hospital in a village in the county and of issuing bonds of the county in an amount not exceeding \$181,250 for the purpose of paying part of the cost of erecting and equipping a county hospital, the remainder of such cost to be paid in part by contribution from such village, and any village in which such hospital is to be located has by resolution adopted by its village council authorized the issuance of bonds of the village in an amount not exceeding \$25,000 for the purpose of aiding in the construction of such hospital, all such proceedings of such counties and such villages are hereby legalized and validated, and the governing bodies of such counties and villages are hereby authorized to issue, sell and deliver such bonds pursuant to and in accordance with such proceedings, and to use the proceeds of such bonds for the purposes for which issued; provided, that nothing herein shall be deemed to permit the issuance of bonds by any such county or village

in an amount which would cause its net indebtedness to exceed the limitations prescribed by law, and all bonds so issued shall be sold and provisions shall be made for the security and payment thereof in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes, Sections 475.60 to 475.66, inclusive.

Section 2. **Remedial act.** It is expressly found and determined that this act is remedial in nature, being necessary to protect the financial credit of such counties and villages and to protect and preserve the health of their inhabitants, and this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Section 3. **Pending actions.** This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeal now pending in which the validity of any such proceedings or of any such bonds is called in question.

Approved April 13, 1953.

CHAPTER 328—S. F. No. 1378

An act relating to the leasing of unsold state-owned lands; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 92.50, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 92.50, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

92.50 Unsold lands subject to sale may be leased. Subdivision 1. The commissioner of conservation may, at public or private vendue and at such prices and under such terms and conditions as he may prescribe lease any *state-owned lands under his jurisdiction and control* for the purpose of taking and removing sand, gravel, clay, rock, marl, peat, and black dirt therefrom, for storing thereon ore, waste materials from mines, or rock and tailings from ore milling plants, for *roads or railroads, or for any other uses not inconsistent with the interests of the state.* No such lease shall be made for a term to exceed ten years, except in the case of leases of lands for storage sites for ore, waste materials from mines or rock, and tailings from ore milling plants, which may be made for a term not exceeding 25 years. All such leases shall be made subject to sale and leasing of the land for mineral purposes under legal provisions and contain a provision for their cancelation at any time by the commissioner upon three months' written notice, provided that a longer notice period, not exceeding three years, may be provided in leases for storing ore, waste materials