CHAPTER 390—H. F. No. 1629

[Not Coded]

An act relating to a county legislative research committee, prescribing its duties and powers, and providing a method of financing its expenses; amending Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, and repealing Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Sections 3, 6.

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

Section 1. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. St. Louis county legislative research committee, creation. In any county now or hereafter having a population of 100,000 and not more than 300,000, there is hereby created a Legislative Research Committee. The committee shall consist of the senators and representatives in the state legislature from the county.

Sec. 2. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. **Powers, duties.** The committee shall have the power and right to investigate and study, accumulate, compile, analyze and report on information concerning policies, plans, programs and procedures relating to or affecting the fiscal and legislative needs of said county and the governmental or political subdivisions therein, including school districts and any metropolitan or district authority having jurisdiction in any area of said county. The prime motive of the committee shall be to gather information and provide material to be used by the delegations in the legislature from said county in their work while the legislature is in session and in connection with any legislative proposals affecting said county and local subdivisions.

Sec. 3. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 4, is amended to read:

Sec. 4. Meetings. The committee or any subcommittee appointed by it may sit at such time and place as it may deem advisable but the committee shall meet at least once in each quarter and shall meet at any time upon the call of the chairman. At any meeting of the committee *eight* members shall constitute a quorum and a majority of such quorum shall have authority to act in any matter falling within the jurisdiction of the committee.

Sec. 4. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 5, is amended to read:

Sec. 5. Organization. The committee shall select a

chairman and a vice-chairman from its own members and may prescribe its own rules of procedure. It may appoint a secretary who need not be a member. The committee may employ such other persons and obtain the assistance of research agencies as it may deem necessary.

Sec. 5. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 8, is amended to read:

Sec. 8. Expenses, compensation. The members of the committee and the members of any committee appointed as a subcommittee shall be compensated for their actual expenses necessarily incurred in attending said meetings and in the performance of their official duties and shall be paid mileage at the rate of 10 cents for each mile necessarily travelled in attending said meetings and in the performance of such duties.

Sec. 6. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Section 10, is amended to read:

Sec. 10. Appropriations. The board of county commissioners in said county shall appropriate from the county general revenue fund for the purposes of this act the sum of \$5,000 for the use of the committee during each year after 1951. For the payment of the expenses of the committee it shall draw its warrants upon the county treasurer, which warrants shall be signed by the chairman and at least one other member of the committee, and the county auditor shall then approve them and the county treasurer shall pay them as and when presented but not exceeding in the aggregate the amount herein provided in any one year.

Sec. 7. Laws 1951, Chapter 707, Sections 3 and 6, are hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER 391-H. F. No. 1641

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An act relating to firemen's relief associations in certain cites of the fourth class; amending Laws 1947, Chapter 329.

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

Section 1. Laws 1947, Chapter 329, is amended to read:

Section 1. Deductions and tax levy for firemen's retirement pensions in Eveleth. Subdivision 1. In addition to the moneys in the special fund of said association or provided to be raised therefor under existing laws for the payment of