buildings, room, and premises for fire department use. The council of any village or city in this state which now has or hereafter may have less than 50,000 inhabitants is hereby authorized and empowers [empowered], when in its discretion it deems it necessary or desirable so to do, to levy on the taxable property of such village or city an additional amount not to exceed nine-tenths of one mill; such additional tax to be collected and disbursed as herein provided.

Approved April 21, 1953.

CHAPTER 522—H. F. No. 1354 [Not Coded]

An act relating to the commission to investigate and study all matters relative to taxation of iron ore, and appropriating money for such purpose; amending Laws 1951, Chapter 714, Sections 5, 7.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:
Section 1. Laws 1951, Chapter 714, Section 5, is amended to read:

- Sec. 5. Report to legislature. The commission shall make a report to the members of the Legislature not later than December 20, 1954, setting forth its findings as a result of such investigation and study, and shall make such recommendations as it deems proper in an effort to assist the Legislature in the formulation of a stable and fair policy for the taxation of iron ore.
- Sec. 2. Laws 1951, Chapter 714, Section 7, is amended to read:
- Sec. 7. Appropriation. That part of the sum of \$150,000 appropriated by Laws 1951, Chapter 714, which was not expended by the commission pursuant to that chapter, or so much of that unexpended balance as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated from the funds appropriated to the iron range resources and rehabilitation commission for the use of this commission in performing the duties imposed under the provisions of this act. For the payment of such expenses the commission shall draw its warrants upon the state treasurer, which warrants shall be signed by the chairman and at least two other members of the commission and the state auditor shall then approve and the state treasurer pay such warrants as and when presented.

A general summary or statement of expenses incurred by

the commission and paid shall be included with the commission's report.

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CHAPTER 523—H. F. No. 1369

[Coded in part]

An act relating to the collection of fees in municipal and probate courts for use of the county law library; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Sections 140.42, Subdivision 1, 140.43, Subdivision 1.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 140.42, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 140.42 Fees, municipal court cases. Subdivision 1. Subject to section 3 hereof, when the county law library is established the clerk of any municipal court in such county shall collect in each civil suit, action, or proceeding filed in such court, as law library fees, the sum of \$1 from the plaintiff or person instituting such suit, action or proceeding, at the time of filing the first paper therein.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 140.43, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:
- 140.43 Fees, probate court cases. Subdivision 1. Subject to section 3 hereof, when the county law library is established the judge of the probate court in proceedings in his court in the matter of the estate of a deceased person looking to the entry of a decree of distribution of such estate, except in any summary proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, Section 525.51 shall collect, as a county law library fee, the sum of \$1 from the petitioner instituting the proceeding at the time of the filing of the petition therein.
- Sec. 3. [140.435] Judge's order as to collection of fees. The judge in his original order establishing the county law library, or in a subsequent supplemental order, may direct that the municipal court clerk or the probate court judge, shall or shall not, thereafter collect library fees.

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