

The director of social welfare is authorized to acquire by purchase with the approval of the governor, gift, or condemnation, a suitable tract of land in Ramsey County for the construction of the Center, not to exceed four acres in area. The director of public institutions is hereby authorized to transfer, with the approval of the governor, to the custody and control of the director of social welfare, any specific part of the land of any public institution not needed by such institution to be used as a site for the Center.

Sec. 7. The effective date of this act shall be July 1, 1953.

Approved April 24, 1953.

CHAPTER 702—S. F. No. 993

An act relating to old age assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.18, as amended.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 256.18, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 118 and Chapter 225, is amended to read:

256.18 Pensioners, disqualification. No old age assistance shall be paid a person:

(1) While or during the time he is an inmate of, and receives gratuitously all the necessities of life from any public institution maintained by the United States, or any state or any of the political subdivisions of a state; while he is a patient in tuberculosis or mental institution; or while he is a patient in a medical institution as a result of diagnosis of tuberculosis or psychosis; provided, however, that part or all of any old age assistance may be paid to patients of public or private medical institutions other than those herein excluded, subject to rules and regulations made by the state agency;

(2) If the net value of his property or the net value of the combined property of husband and wife exceeds \$7,500; or if the net value of his assets convertible into cash exceeds \$300 or the combined convertible assets of husband and wife exceed \$450. The county agency in its discretion may permit eligibility of an applicant having liquid assets in excess of this amount when the liquidation of the assets would cause undue loss; provided, that household goods and furniture in use in the home, wearing apparel, *personal property used as a regular abode by*

the applicant or recipient, and a lot in the burial ground may be owned in addition to the property limitation provided in this clause;

(3) Who has, after the passage of sections 256.11 to 256.43, or within two years prior thereto deprived himself directly or indirectly of any property for the purpose of qualifying for old age assistance;

(4) Whose spouse, living with the person, has made an assignment or transfer directly or indirectly of any property for the purpose of qualifying either person for old age assistance under sections 256.11 to 256.43;

(5) Who is receiving aid to the blind, aid to dependent children or aid to the permanently and totally disabled.

Approved April 24, 1953.

CHAPTER 703—S. F. No. 1008

[Not Coded]

An act relating to a classification, salary and tenure system for county employees in all counties now or hereafter having a population of 550,000 or more; fixing salaries and sums to be appropriated therefor, and amending Laws 1945, Chapter 607, Sections 4, 5, and 7, as amended, and adding a new section.

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

Section 1. Laws 1945, Chapter 607, Section 4, as amended by Laws 1947, Chapter 455, Section 2, by Laws 1951, Chapter 636, Section 3, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. **Authorization for salaries.** *Subdivision 1.* There is hereby authorized to be expended annually, subject to the provisions of Section 5 for salaries for all help in each of the following departments of said county, including part-time, seasonal, or temporary employees, but excluding common labor, the sum set up in column 1 opposite the title of the department, as follows:

		Column 1	Column 2
(a)	County attorney	\$ 67,000	\$111,890
(b)	County auditor	153,200	255,844
(c)	Clerk of district court	115,245	192,459
(d)	Coroner	31,884	53,246
(e)	Book binder	6,500	10,855
(f)	Civil-legal	18,000	30,060