CHAPTER 210-H. F. No. 480

An act to provide interpreters at all hearings and examinations held for the determination of the insanity or feeblemindedness of deaf or mute persons; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 253.053, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 253.053, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

253.053. Insanity, hearings to determine; deaf or mute persons. Subdivision 1. Interpreters. It shall be the duty of any court before which the question of the alleged insanity or feeblemindedness of any person who is deaf and mute, or either, is being determined to appoint a competent interpreter for the benefit of said alleged insane or feebleminded person to interpret to and for said alleged insane or feebleminded person the questions asked said alleged insane or feebleminded person and his answers and all other oral court proceedings at the trial, including any physical, psychological, and psychiatric examinations of said deaf or mute person conducted or had in connection with said hearing or trial, and said alleged insane or feebleminded person shall be entitled to have the services of such interpreter as a matter of absolute right.

Approved March 21, 1955.

CHAPTER 211—H. F. No. 781

An act relating to retirement allowances for employees of cities of the first class; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 422.063, Subdivision 7.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 422.063, Subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. Service calculated. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the service of each "present incumbent" shall be calculated from the date in service from which said employee elects to claim credit and the amount of service of each future entrant shall be calculated from the date of original appointment. Said service shall include periods of service at different times and service for one or more departments, branches or independent boards of the municipality. It is fur-

ther provided that in computing length of service of contributing employees for the purpose of this chapter, periods of separations from the service shall not be included, provided, that any contributing employee who has heretofore been employed by the Works Progress Administration of the United States government or heretofore or hereafter shall serve as a duly elected member of the Minnesota state legislature and who at the time of entrance into either of the services herein outlined was a contributing member of the retirement fund, shall receive credit for the time spent in such services as though actually employed by such city.

In order to receive credit as herein outlined, such employee shall contribute to the retirement fund the amount that would have been contributed by him if actually employed by the city.

The amount of salary, wages or compensation received by the employee immediately prior to entering the services herein set forth, shall be the dollar amount used in determining the contributions to be made to the retirement fund, and also the amount to be used in determining the arithmetical average annual compensation otherwise provided for in this chapter.

Approved March 21, 1955.

CHAPTER 212-H. F. No. 809

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the county road and bridge tax levy in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Roads and bridges, levy. In any county of this state having over 25,000 and less than 27,000 inhabitants according to the 1950 federal census and over 25 and less than 30 full and fractional congressional townships, the county board at its July meeting may include in its annual levy an amount for the county road and bridge fund which shall not exceed 30 mills on the dollar of the taxable valuation of the county.

Approved March 21, 1955.