

and says that he is the auditor of the county of; that he has examined the foregoing list, and knows the contents thereof; and that the same is a correct list of taxes delinquent for the year (or years) therein appearing upon real estate in said county.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of, 19.....

Approved March 23, 1955.

CHAPTER 226—H. F. No. 888

An act relating to appointment of members to county welfare boards; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 393.01, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 393.01, Subdivision 2 is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Selection of members.** Except in counties which contain a city of the first class and counties having a poor and hospital commission, the county welfare board shall consist of seven members, including the board of county commissioners, to be selected as herein provided; two members, one of whom shall be a woman, shall be appointed by the commissioner of public welfare, *one each year for a full term of two years*, from a list of residents, submitted by the board of county commissioners. *As each term expires or a vacancy occurs by reason of death or resignation a successor shall be appointed by the commissioner of public welfare for the full term of two years or the balance of any unexpired term from a list of three residents submitted by the board of county commissioners.* The board of county commissioners may, by resolution adopted by a majority of the board, determine that only three of their members shall be members of the county welfare board, in which event the county welfare board shall consist of five members instead of seven. When a vacancy occurs on the county welfare board by reason of the death, resignation, or expiration of the term of office of a member of the board of county commissioners, the unexpired term of such member shall be filled by appointment by the county commissioners. Except to fill a vacancy the term of office of each member of the county welfare board shall commence on the first Thursday after the first Monday in July, and continue until the

expiration of the term for which such member was appointed or until a successor is appointed and qualifies. If the board of county commissioners shall refuse, fail, omit, or neglect to submit the list of residents to the commissioner of public welfare for appointment to the county welfare board by the commissioner of public welfare, as herein provided, or to appoint the three members to the county welfare board, as herein provided, by the time when the terms of such members commence, or, in the event of vacancies, for a period of 30 days thereafter, the commissioner of public welfare is hereby empowered to and shall forthwith appoint residents of the county to the county welfare board. Before the commissioner of public welfare shall fill any vacancy hereunder resulting from the failure or refusal of the board of county commissioners of any county to act, as required herein, the commissioner of public welfare shall mail 15 days' written notice to the board of county commissioners of its intention to fill such vacancy or vacancies unless the board of county commissioners shall act before the expiration of the 15-day period.

Approved March 23, 1955.

CHAPTER 227—H. F. No. 1013

[Coded]

An act authorizing the creation of hospital districts by certain counties, the construction, equipment and operation of district hospitals therein, and the issuance of bonds therefor.

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

Section 1. [397.01] **Hospital districts.** This act shall apply to any county in which the normal capacity of all public and private general hospitals licensed by the State Department of Health shall now or hereafter be twenty beds or less, according to standards established and published by said department in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 144.56, including beds housed in non-fire-resistive quarters but otherwise conforming to acceptable standards.

Sec. 2. [397.02] **Created by county board.** The board of county commissioners of any such county may, when requested so to do by resolution of the governing body of each of two or more cities, towns and villages within the county, by resolution create a hospital district comprising the entire area of such cities, villages and towns, provided that the most recent assessed valuation of all taxable property within such