

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

Section 1. County treasurer, salary. In any county having over 7000 and less than 9000 inhabitants according to the most recent federal census and containing over 70 full and fractional congressional townships, the county board shall establish the salary of the treasurer at an amount between \$4200 and \$5200 per annum.

Sec. 2. Fees paid to county. In such counties the treasurer shall receive no fees, but all fees payable to the treasurer under any law for any service shall be collected by him and paid into the county revenue fund.

Sec. 3. This act take effect July 1, 1955.

Approved April 7, 1955.

CHAPTER 396—S. F. No. 297

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to license plates for motor vehicles; increasing the fees and taxes imposed upon motor vehicles, vehicle dealers, and drive-a-way contractors and fees for tax exempt and duplicate number plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.12, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

168.12 License plates. Subdivision 1. Number plates, visibility. The registrar, upon such approval and payment, issues to the applicant *the number plates required by law, bearing an abbreviation of the state name and the number assigned. The number assigned may be a combination of a letter or sign with figures.* The color of the plates and the color of the abbreviation of the state name and the number assigned shall be in marked contrast. The plates shall be lettered, spaced, or distinguished to suitably indicate the classification of the vehicle according to regulations of the registrar. *These number plates shall be so treated as to be at least 100 times brighter than the conventional painted number plates. When properly mounted on an unlighted vehicle, these number plates when viewed from a vehicle equipped with standard headlights, shall be visible for a distance of not less than 1,500 feet and readable for a distance of not less than 110 feet. The*

registrar shall furnish these number plates for a two-year period commencing January 1, 1956; subsequently on January 1 for such period as he determines. In any year during which these number plates are not furnished the registrar shall furnish for each annual registration a reflectorized year plate, tab, or sticker to designate the year of registration. This plate, tab, or sticker shall show the calendar year for which issued, and is valid only for that year. Unless the motor vehicle for which a number plate, number, tab, or sticker is issued, is permanently lost, is destroyed, or is removed from the state, no number plate, number, tab, or sticker may be transferred to another motor vehicle during the calendar year in which issued.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.12, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd. 3.] **Increase of fees and taxes.** *All fees and taxes imposed upon any motor vehicle, any licensed dealer of motor vehicles, or any licensed drive-a-way contracts by sections 168.011 to 168.49, the payment of which is required as a condition to the issuance of any pair of number plates, numbers, tabs, or stickers are hereby increased in the sum of 25 cents. If a single number plate, number, tab, or sticker is issued, the tax or fee imposed is hereby increased in the sum of 25 cents.*

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 168.12, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

[Subd 4.] **Fee increase.** *All fees imposed by sections 168.011 to 168.49 for the issuance of tax-exempt number plates or duplicate number plates are hereby increased in the sum of 25 cents. If a single number plate or a single duplicate number plate is issued the tax or fee is increased in the sum of 25 cents.*

Approved April 7, 1955.

CHAPTER 397—S. F. No. 1068

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the salary of county auditor in certain counties.

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

Section 1. **Salaries, county auditor.** In all counties in this state having a population of not less than 15,000 nor more