

tions of said hospital board. All contracts with reference to the construction, equipment and operation of such hospital shall be approved by the county board and executed in the same manner as other county contracts, and the county board shall at least annually examine and approve or take any necessary remedial action with reference to the receipts and disbursements shown by the books and records of each district hospital, and levy such tax in accordance with this section as may be necessary for the operation thereof in the succeeding year.

[397.14] Sec. 4. **Bonds.** The construction and equipment and the subsequent improvement of any such hospital may be financed in whole or in part by the issuance of general obligation bonds in the manner provided in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475. Proceedings for the issuance thereof shall be instituted and completed by the board of county commissioners. Notice of the election on such bonds shall be published in each legal newspaper published in the district, not less than ten days before the election, and all but only the qualified electors residing in the district shall be entitled to vote at such election, each at the polling place for the voting precinct in which he resides, as established for state and county elections. Taxes for the payment of such bonds shall be levied by the county board on all taxable property within the hospital district, and shall not be subject to any statutory limitations as to rate or amount. Such bonds shall not constitute indebtedness for any purpose of the county or any city, village or town, and shall be payable solely from taxes levied on properties within the hospital district, and the liability of the county thereon shall be limited to the completion of all proceedings required for the levy of such taxes and the creation and maintenance of a sinking fund and the payment of the bonds and interest from such fund in accordance with existing law.

[397.15] Sec. 5. **Political subdivisions.** A hospital district created under this act is a political subdivision within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.59.

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CHAPTER 401—S. F. No. 1162

An act relating to municipal courts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 488.21.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 488.21, is amended to read:

488.21 **Jury, fees of jurors.** In all cases if either party desires a jury, he shall so state when the case is set for trial. A jury of six may be drawn if both parties consent thereto in open court. The party demanding the jury shall pay to the clerk at the time 50 cents for each juror required; otherwise the case shall be tried by the court. The clerk shall draw from the box twice as many names as there are jurors required for the trial, and the persons so selected shall be summoned to appear at the appointed time. Each juror sworn as such shall be paid \$3 out of the city treasury upon a certificate issued to him by the clerk at the time of his discharge. When necessary, a special venire may be issued.

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CHAPTER 402—S. F. No. 1251

[Not Coded]

An act relating to sewage disposal plant funds in cities of the fourth class operating under Laws 1895, Chapter 8.

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

Section 1. **Cities fourth class, public works reserve fund.** When any city operating under Laws 1895, Chapter 8, establishes a public works reserve fund for the construction and improvement of a sewage disposal plant and sewer facilities pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.57, the council may transfer to such fund surpluses in the general fund, the current expense fund, and the permanent improvement fund. Money in such reserve fund may be invested as authorized by law or may be used to pay the cost of any local improvement which is to be ultimately financed in whole or in part by special assessments payable over a period of not more than seven years. Special assessments and the municipal share of the cost of improvements financed from such public works reserve fund shall be credited to that fund when collected.

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