

Sec. 3. Procedure for referendum. If the home rule charter of any such city does not provide for a referendum procedure with respect to ordinances then any ordinances adopted by the governing body of any such city for the purpose of fixing and establishing the annual salaries of the members of the governing body shall be subject nevertheless to a referendum. In such case the petition protesting the going into effect of any ordinance establishing salaries as aforesaid may be signed by voters in number not less than five percent of the qualified voters who voted at the last preceding general municipal election held in such city; and such petition and the papers comprising such petition or petitions, shall be signed, verified, circulated, and filed with the city clerk of such city not later than 30 days from the adoption and publication of any such ordinance. The signing, verification, and circulation of any such petition or petition papers shall as nearly as may be possible comply with Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 410.12, relating to the form of petitions for the amendment of home rule charters.

Sec. 4. Special elections. Any election called for the purpose of submitting any protest petition provided for in this act shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the charter relating to the holding of special municipal elections.

Sec. 5. Governing body. The term "Governing body" as used in this act shall include the mayor and commissioners elected by the electors of any such city under its home rule charter.

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CHAPTER 460—S. F. No. 1407

[Not Coded]

An act authorizing the governor and state auditor to convey to the county of Hennepin certain property and authorizing the county of Hennepin to convey said property to the Hennepin County Historical Society.

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

Section 1. State, conveyance to Hennepin county. The Governor is hereby authorized and directed to convey by quit claim deed to the County of Hennepin, attested by the State Auditor, the real property in which the State of Minnesota has a reversionary interest, described as follows:

Lot ten (10), in Block two (2), Washington Yale Addition to Minneapolis, in Hennepin County, Minnesota.

Sec. 2. **Hennepin county, conveyance to Hennepin county Historical Society.** The County of Hennepin is authorized to convey the same property to The Hennepin County Historical Society for a nominal consideration, or without consideration, or upon such terms and conditions as its County Board may see fit.

Provided, however, that the above mentioned conveyances shall be made only upon the written request of The Hennepin County Historical Society.

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CHAPTER 461—S. F. No. 1565

An act relating to retirement allowances in cities of the first class; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 422.04.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 422.04, is amended to read:

422.04 Retirement allowance, when paid. Any person who shall have been employed by the city to which this chapter applies and who shall have fulfilled the conditions therein specified shall be entitled to receive a retirement allowance therefrom, as set forth in the provisions thereof. No retirement allowance shall be paid any retired employee of such city prior to the expiration of the calendar year next succeeding the date this chapter becomes effective therein.

Any conditional present incumbent shall be entitled to participate in the benefits provided by this chapter upon submitting to the retirement board a written notice of desire to accept the provisions of this chapter and of such evidence of the right to so participate as the board may require; provided that any such employee who is less than 30 years of age at the date this provision becomes effective therein shall submit such notice before reaching that age, and any such employee who shall have passed the age of 30 at that date shall make written application for participation in the benefits of the retirement fund within 90 days after such date. Before receiving said retirement allowance, such conditional present incumbent shall contribute to the fund herein provided for an amount which shall be equal to the amount of the contributions to said