CHAPTER 543—S. F. No. 1413

An act relating to a receipt for an owner's duplicate certificate taken by the registrar of titles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 508.40.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 508.40, is amended to read:

508.40 Owner's duplicate, receipt. At the time the original certificate of title is entered, the registrar shall make a duplicate thereof, endorsing across the face of such duplicate the words "Owner's Duplicate Certificate" and deliver the same to the owner or his authorized attorney. The registrar shall, in every case, when it is practicable so to do, take from such owner a receipt for such duplicate certificate, which shall be signed by the owner in person. In the case of multiple owners the receipt may be executed by any one of such owners. Such receipt, when signed and delivered in the office of the registrar, shall be witnessed by him or his deputy. If such receipt is signed elsewhere, it shall be witnessed and acknowledged in the same manner as a deed. Such receipt shall be prima facie evidence of the genuineness of such signature.

Approved April 19, 1955.

CHAPTER 544—S. F. No. 1438 [Not Coded]

An act relating to a classification, salary and tenure system for county employees in all counties now or hereafter having a population of 550,000 or more; fixing salaries and the sums to be appropriated therefor; amending Laws 1945, Chapter 607, Section 4, as amended; and repealing laws 1953, Chapter 733.

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

- Section 1. Laws 1945, Chapter 607, Section 4, as amended by Laws 1947, Chapter 455, Section 2, by Laws 1951, Chapter 636, Section 3, and by Laws 1953, Chapter 703, Section 1, is amended to read:
- Sec. 4. Employees, salaries. Subdivision 1. Subject to the provisions of section 5 there may be expended annually for salaries for help in each of the following depart-

ments of the county, excluding common laborers but including part-time, seasonal, or temporary employees, the sum set up in column 1 opposite the title of the department:

		Column 1	Column 2
(a)	County Attorney	\$ 69,040	\$115,297
(b)	County auditor	162,017	270,569
(c)	Clerk of district court	127,831	213,478
(d)	Coroner	33,324	55,651
(e)	Book-binder	6,740	11,256
(f)	Civil-legal	18,480	30,862
(g)	Torrens title examination	ons 4,740	7,916
(h)	Probate court	57,525	96,054
(i)	Court Commissioner	10,254	17,124
(j)	Sheriff	274,092	457,734
(k)	County superintendent		
	of Schools	11,082	18,507
(l)	County surveyor	38,511	64,314
(m)	Register of deeds and		
	Registrar of titles	170,700	285,057
(n)	County treasurer	99,217	165,693
(0)	County board clerical	4,951	8,268

- Subd. 2. The basis for the amounts set up in subdivision 1, column 1, of this section is the cost of living index for the month of December, 1944, at 123.2 as determined on the 1935-39 level by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, hereinafter called "old index"; and the basis for the amounts set up in column 2 of subdivision 1 of this section is the cost of living index for the month of December, 1952, at 114.6 as determined on the 1947-1949 level by the said Bureau of Labor Statistics, hereinafter called "new index", which said new index figure corresponds to the old index figure 190.0, and equals the amounts in said column 1 plus 67% increase in the cost of living over the December, 1955, old index figure.
- Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall be in force and take effect as of January 1, 1955, and the increases in salary made available by the raise in the sum authorized to be expended annually for salaries for each department shall not be used to increase the base salary of any employee more than \$10 per month, except as hereinafter provided, and each employee shall receive a \$10 monthly increase in base salary; provided, that the sum of \$18,300 of the basic salary allowance for the sheriff's department shall be used for the sole purpose

of paying an increase of \$25 per month in the base salary of each of the 61 general deputies now in the unclassified status under the provisions of Laws 1953, Chapter 733, and each of such deputies shall receive a \$25 monthly increase in base salary. Such salary increases, plus cost of living adjustments computed according to provisions of Laws 1945, Chapter 607, Section 5, as amended, shall be retroactive to January 1, 1955.

Sec. 3. Repealer. Laws 1953, Chapter 733, is hereby repealed.

Approved April 19, 1955.

CHAPTER 545—S. F. No. 1441

An act relating to the payment of bounties by town boards; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 348.13.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 348.13, is amended to read:

Bounties paid by towns, requirements. four feet of striped and gray gophers and woodchucks, both front feet of pocket gophers, the heads and rattles of rattlesnakes, and the bodies of birds and reptiles other than rattlesnakes shall be produced to the chairman of the town board of the town where they were killed, and if he shall be satisfied that they were killed within the designated territory and by the person producing them, he shall certify to the county auditor the number of each kind so killed. The certificate shall be issued by the chairman of the town board at the end of each month and shall show the names of all persons entitled to bounty for the preceding month, the number of each kind of animals, reptiles and birds so killed, and the amount of bounty that each person is entitled to receive. The county auditor shall issue thereon a warrant on the county treasurer payable to the chairman of the town board who issued the certificate, for the full amount of the bounty allowed by law according to the certificate, and upon receipt of the warrant the chairman shall pay the proper persons the bounty allowed by law for the preceding month.

The chairman to whom such feet, heads, bodies, and rattles are produced shall immediately cause such heads, feet, bodies, and rattles to be destroyed and shall cause the removal of one foot from each bird.