

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 256.33, is amended to read:

**256.33 Counties reimbursed for payments.** Each old age assistance granted under sections 256.11 to 256.43 shall be paid by the county in which an old age assistance certificate is issued and while the same is in effect. The cost of old age assistance grants in each county shall be borne as follows:

(1) Payments shall be made by the state to the counties of that portion of old age assistance paid by the federal government and the state on or before the 20th day of each month for the succeeding month upon requisition from the counties as to the amount required for the succeeding month. The expense of old age assistance grants shall be paid from federal funds available for that purpose and the balance not paid by federal funds shall be paid as follows: two-thirds by the state from state funds and one-third by the counties from county funds; provided, that for payments made in excess of amounts matchable by federal funds, the cost shall be paid equally from county and state funds *until January 1, 1956, after which date the cost shall be paid 55 per cent from county and 45 per cent from state funds.*

(2) Not exceeding one-fourth of any funds available for administrative purposes shall be used to defray necessary expenses of the state agency in the supervision of the old age assistance laws of this state, and the balance shall be used to repay the counties pro rata in the proportion the total number of recipients in the county bears to the total number of recipients in the state for the period in question.

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CHAPTER 808—S. F. No. 1188

[Coded in Part]

*An act relating to county hospitals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 376.01, 376.02, 376.03, 376.04, 376.05, 376.06.*

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

Section 1. [376.009] **County hospital.** *For the purposes of sections 376.01 to 376.06, "county hospital" means any hospital owned or operated by a county and this hospital may consist of any number of buildings at one location or any number of buildings at different locations within the county.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.01, is amended to read:

**376.01 Acquisition of land.** The county board of any county *may* acquire lands in the county for hospital purposes for patients; other than insane.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.02, is amended to read:

**376.02 Buildings.** The county board of any county *may purchase, erect or construct* suitable buildings for hospital purposes for patients, other than insane, on any land acquired pursuant to section 376.01, and *may* improve, equip, and maintain these buildings for such hospital purposes. *The county board may pay for these buildings out of any moneys in the county treasury not otherwise appropriated or issue therefor the warrants or bonds of the county in payment therefor. The county board may fix the time and terms of payment of these warrants or bonds and the amount of interest to be paid.*

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.03, is amended to read:

**376.03 Question submitted to voters.** If a majority of the electors of any county voting upon the proposition at any election at which the question of *purchasing, erecting and constructing* hospital buildings, as provided in section 376.02 is submitted, vote in favor of *the* proposition, the county board shall thereupon proceed to *purchase, erect and construct these* buildings and make *the* improvements necessary to fit the *buildings* for hospital purposes.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.04, is amended to read:

**376.04 Election, separate ballot.** The question of *purchasing, erecting and constructing* hospital buildings shall be submitted to the qualified voters of any county at a general election *and placed upon a separate ballot.* This election shall be called by a resolution of the county board which *states* the time of the election, that a county hospital is proposed to be established, the proposed location thereof, the same to cost, including equipment, not to exceed the sum set forth in the resolution. Upon passage of *the* resolution the county auditor *forthwith notifies* each town, city, or village clerk in the county that the question of erecting hospital buildings will be voted upon at the time stated in the resolution, *the* election to be controlled by the existing election laws.

The ballot shall be in the following form:

"For the *purchase, erection and construction* of hospital buildings, including equipment, to be located at ..... (state location), at a cost not to exceed \$..... (state amount), pursuant to the resolution of the board of county commissioners passed ..... (state date).

Yes .....

No ....."

Electors desiring to vote in favor thereof shall make their cross-mark, thus (X), opposite the word "yes," and electors desiring to vote against the proposition shall make their cross-mark, thus (X), opposite the word "no". *These* votes shall be cast in the same manner as votes cast at *the* general election and counted by the same officers, and returns made to the county auditor, and canvassed in like manner as the returns on county officers.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.05, is amended to read:

376.05 **Hospital authorized, erection of buildings.** If a majority of the electors voting upon *the* proposition vote in favor of *purchasing, erecting and constructing* such hospital buildings, the county board shall forthwith proceed to *purchase, erect and construct* such buildings as *are* deemed proper, suitable, and convenient and equip the same to effectuate *the* purpose.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 376.06, is amended to read:

376.06 **Superintendent, duties.** The county board of any county having *so purchased, erected and constructed* buildings for hospital purposes may operate *these buildings* as such hospital, appoint a superintendent therefor for a term to be fixed by it, fix his salary, and at pleasure remove him, prescribe his powers and duties, provide for the management and operation of *the* hospital, and shall operate, control, and manage the *hospital*. If the board *determines* that it is the interest of the public so to do, it may appoint a hospital board of not less than three, nor more than nine members, who shall serve without compensation, and who shall be resident freeholders of the county. Subject to its supervision, *the county board may* commit the care, management, and operation of *the* hospital to such hospital board and may provide for the organization of such hospital board, its duties and the duties of the members thereof, and such further regulation in reference thereto and

to the management, operation, and control of *the* hospital as *are* proper, necessary, or desirable. *The county board* may lease and let unto a responsible hospital association such hospital grounds and buildings upon such terms as it *deems* advisable. Sections 376.01 to 376.06 *do not permit* any county board to *purchase, erect and construct* any such hospital buildings or to *pay therefor* without first submitting the question to the vote of the people. No such *purchase, erection or construction* of buildings or payment therefor *may* be made unless a majority of the electors voting upon *the* proposition vote in favor thereof.

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CHAPTER 809—S. F. No. 1213

*An act relating to savings, building and loan associations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 51.34, Subdivision 2.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 51.34, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Specific.** [Every association shall have the following powers:]

(1) To sue and to be sued, complain and defend, in any court;

(2) To purchase, hold, and convey real and personal estate consistent with its objects and powers, and to mortgage, pledge or lease any real or personal estate; and to take property by gift, devise or bequest;

(3) To have a corporate seal, which may be affixed by imprint, facsimile or otherwise;

(4) To appoint officers, agents, and employees as its business shall require, and allow them suitable compensation;

(5) To adopt and amend by-laws as provided in this chapter;

(6) To accept savings and investments as payments on accounts, as provided in this chapter, but this shall apply only to cases where one association assumes the share liabilities of another and sufficient assets are transferred to cover these liabilities;

(7) To make loans to members on the sole security of