

the duty of maintaining such bridge fail, neglect, or omit to construct, reconstruct, or repair the same or provide for the expense or cost of so constructing, reconstructing, or repairing the same, the county board of the county in which the town is located shall have the power and authority to reconstruct and repair any such bridge upon giving notice to the town board of the town or towns of its intention to do so and fixing the time and place for a hearing as to the necessity and advisability of such reconstruction or repair.

Sec. 2. This act takes effect on July 1, 1957.

Approved April 8, 1957.

CHAPTER 336—H. F. No. 771

An act relating to fees for services given by child-caring agencies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 317.65, Subdivision 7.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 317.65, Subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Expense reimbursement.** [(1)] *Any organization, association or society licensed by the Department of Public Welfare may receive expense reimbursement from a person who takes a child into his home, or a person who adopts a child, in such an amount as will not exceed a sum that fairly reflects the average reasonable and necessary expenses of making the investigation of the home and the supervision of the child in the home until legal adoption is completed; provided that such expense reimbursement shall not exceed \$300; provided further that only such part of the expenses be requested which the adopting person is financially able to meet and provided further that no person shall be barred from receiving a child for adoption because of inability to pay any part of the expense. In addition to such other reports as may be required, each licensed agency shall file annually with the Commissioner of Public Welfare a full accounting of all expense reimbursement received pursuant to this subdivision, together with the record of the services given for which such reimbursement was made. If he returns the child to the corporation, the person shall not receive compensation for the care, clothing, or medical attendance of the child.*

This provision shall not preclude voluntary contributions on the part of anyone at any time.

Sec. 2. [(2)] *No organization, association or society shall be eligible to receive an expense reimbursement from a person who takes a child into his home or who adopts a child in any amount whatsoever during the first five years that such association or society shall be licensed by the Department of Public Welfare.*

Approved April 8, 1957.

CHAPTER 337—H. F. No. 939

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the salary of the judge of probate court in certain counties.

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

Section 1. **Counties, salary of judge of probate court.** In any county of the state having a population of over 7,000 and less than 9,000 persons according to the 1950 federal census and having an area of over 70 full and fractional congressional townships, the salary of the judge of probate court shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners at not less than \$4,500 nor more than \$5,500 per annum.

Sec. 2. Nothing contained in section 1 of this act shall be construed as limiting the right of any judge of probate court to collect and retain any fees, per diem payment, or other payment which he is authorized by any other provision of law to collect and retain in addition to his annual salary.

Approved April 8, 1957.

CHAPTER 338—S. F. No. 929

An act relating to the storage of grain in public warehouses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 232.06, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 232.06, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

- 232.06 **Grain received for storage; receipt.** Subdivision 1. **Discrimination prohibited; contract for storage.** Every