

other decorative purposes shall not be subject to general property taxation during the term of such lease, and Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 273.19, shall not be applicable thereto, provided, however, that an amount equal to the annual land rental shall be paid in lieu of the general property tax to the county treasurer of the county in which the lands are located at the same time that such rentals are payable to the state, and shall be distributed to the taxing districts in which located in proportion to the mill rates of such districts.

Approved April 12, 1957.

CHAPTER 397—S. F. No. 1253

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the salaries of county commissioners; amending Laws 1949, Chapter 610, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 373.

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

Section 1. Laws 1949, Chapter 610, Section 1 as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 373, Section 1, is amended to read :

Section 1. **County commissioners, salaries.** In each county of this state, now or hereafter having a population of not less than 39,500 and not more than 50,000, according to the 1950 federal census and having a taxable valuation of not less than \$37,000,000 and containing within its boundaries a city of the third class, adjacent to a city of the first class in an adjoining county, the salaries of the county commissioners shall be \$2,100 per year, payable in equal monthly installments and in addition thereto the county commissioners shall receive the cost of living benefits included under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 375.43, as amended by Laws 1955, Chapter 546.

Sec. 2. **Validated.** *Any payments heretofore made in any such counties are hereby validated and approved.*

Approved April 12, 1957.

CHAPTER 398—S. F. No. 1265

[Not Coded]

An act legalizing and validating certain city hospital-nursing home bonds.

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

Section 1. Cities fourth class, hospital-nursing homes, proceedings validated. In all cases where a city of the fourth class has heretofore, at an election duly called and held, authorized the issuance of its bonds for the acquisition of a city hospital to be operated as a public convenience from which a revenue may be derived, and the city council has by resolution determined that it is in the best interests of the village and it is necessary, in order to serve the entire medical and nursing needs of the community, including the care of the aged and of chronic as well as acute illness, to construct a hospital including nursing home facilities, and has directed the issuance of the bonds so authorized and has appropriated for said purpose the moneys to be derived from the sale thereof, all proceedings taken preliminary to and in the authorization of such bonds and the appropriation of the bond proceeds are hereby legalized and validated, and such bonds are hereby authorized to be issued and sold and the proceeds thereof to be used in accordance with said proceedings

Sec. 2. Remedial. It is expressly found and determined that this act is remedial in nature, it having been brought to the attention of the legislature that there is doubt as to the scope of the present authorization of city bonds for hospital purposes, and the intent of such authorization having been to provide for the care of the aged and of chronic illness by the construction of hospitals including special facilities adequate for this purpose, in addition to those conforming to the standards necessary for treatment of acute illness.

Sec. 3. Application. This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeal now pending in which the validity of any such proceedings or of any such bonds is called in question.

Approved April 12, 1957.

CHAPTER 399—S. F. No. 1307

An act relating to the State Board of Health, amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 144.38, Subdivision 2.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 144.38, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Duty of board. The board shall make such