amount in the sum of 23 percent of the salary of the highest paid patrol officer as defined by law, per month for her natural life, to be paid monthly by the association commencing upon the effective date of Laws 1957, Chapter 869.

- (d) If the patrolman shall die under circumstances which entitle his widow and dependent children to receive benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Law, the amounts so received by them shall be deducted from the benefits payable under this section.
- (e) In the event any patrolman who had separated from service prior to having completed 20 years of service except patrolmen permanently disabled in performance of duty and was not employed as a patrolman at the time of his death, his widow and children or heirs shall be entitled to receive any funds he may have left on deposit in the highway patrolmen's retirement fund, but shall receive no further benefits under Laws 1957, Chapter 869.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 643—H. F. No. 1727 [Not Coded]

An act relating to the City of Saint Paul, pertaining to contracts and purchase of supplies.

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

- Section 1. St. Paul, contracts and purchase of supplies. Notwithstanding any provision of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul to the contrary, all contracts and purchases of supplies of the City of Saint Paul are hereby divided into the following classes:
- (a) All purchases or contracts under the sum of \$500 shall be made in such manner and from such persons as the purchasing agent may determine.
- (b) All contracts and purchases of \$500 and not to exceed \$2000 shall be made upon such informal bids or proposals, not less than two, as the purchasing agent may procure or may be filed with him, and shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder by the purchasing agent. Notice of such proposed purchases shall be posted in the office of the purchasing agent for not less than one day.
- (c) All purchases or contracts in excess of the sum of \$2000 shall be made only upon competitive sealed bids and

after advertisement therefor in the official newspaper for at least once a week for two successive weeks. Such advertisement shall state the kind and quantity of articles desired and the quality thereof either in full or by reference to the standard specifications, the time and places for the filing and opening of bids. All formal bids shall be made on forms provided by the purchasing agent, shall state the price, the quantity and quality of each article bid on, and shall be sealed, but may be as to one or all of the articles named in the advertisement and shall also be filed at the time and place therein designated. All bids shall be publicly opened by the purchasing agent at the time and place named in the advertisement in the presence of the mayor and the comptroller or their representatives and such other persons as may be present; in the case of school purchases, bids shall be opened in the presence of the comptroller and of the Board of Education or their representatives.

- Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any provision of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul to the contrary, the purchasing agent shall not be required to reject bids containing alterations or erasures unless such alterations or erasures destroy the legibility of the bid.
- Sec. 3. This Act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the City Council of the City of Saint Paul, Ramsey County.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 644—H. F. No. 1250

[Not Coded]

An act relating to bond issues by Special School District No. 3, State of Minnesota, located at Duluth.

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

Section 1. Bond issue. The issuance of bonds by Special School District No. 3, State of Minnesota, located in or about Duluth, Minnesota, under the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes 1957, Chapter 475, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, shall be subject to the following limitations: (a) A two-thirds vote of the school board is required to adopt the resolution called for by section 475.57, and (b) the issuance of such bonds shall not cause the net debt of the district to exceed 20 percent of the assessed value of the taxable property within the district.