

no surviving spouse, and if the legal representative of such member or former member does not apply for refundment within five years from the date of death of the member or former member, the accumulated deductions to his credit at the time of death shall be credited to and become a part of the retirement fund.

Subd. 5. If a member or former member dies without having designated a beneficiary, or if the beneficiary should die before making application for refundment of the sum to the credit of such deceased member or former member, and the amount of the refundment is \$500 or less, the retirement board may 90 days after the date of death of the member or former member in the absence of probate proceedings make payment to the surviving spouse of the deceased member or former member, or, if none, to the next of kin under the laws of descent of the state of Minnesota and such payment shall be a bar to recovery by any other person or persons. Any retirement allowance or annuity which shall have accrued at the time of death of an annuitant may be paid in like manner.

Subd. 6. The beneficiary or surviving spouse of any deceased member or former member entitled to receive a refundment as provided in Laws 1957, Chapter 935 shall have the option of having the amount due him paid in monthly installments in such amounts as may be agreed upon with the retirement board.

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CHAPTER 647—H. F. No. 1244

[Coded]

An act relating to state employees retirement association, providing for current and retroactive allowable service credit for members thereof employed by political subdivisions while on leave of absence from state service; validating certain payments therefor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Chapter 352, by adding a new section.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Chapter 352, is amended by adding a new section to read:

[352.041] **Employment by political subdivision while on leave of absence.** *Subdivision 1. Any member of the state*

employees retirement association who is given a leave of absence for employment by a political subdivision of the state shall continue to pay into the state employees retirement fund for the period of such leave, and upon such payment he shall be given allowable service credit as a member on the records of the association the same as though he had received salary from the state therefor. Such payments into the retirement fund shall be at the rate required in Section 352.04, Subdivision 2, or 352.62, Subdivision 1, whichever applies, and shall be based upon the salary received from the political subdivision subject to the maximum amount, if any.

Subd. 2. The officer or employee authorized by law to pay salaries to employees of the political subdivision employing such member of the state employees retirement association shall cause employee contributions to be deducted from the salary of each employee who is on leave of absence from state service as aforesaid on each payroll abstract and shall pay such sum to the secretary of the state employees retirement fund each pay period.

Subd. 3. The officer or employee authorized by law to pay salaries to employees of the political subdivision employing such member of the state employees retirement association shall also cause employer contributions to be made to the state employees retirement fund on each payroll abstract in an amount equal to the total amount deducted from the salary of each member plus the additional percentage provided for in Section 352.04, Subdivision 5, or 352.62, Subdivisions 2 and 3, whichever applies. These contributions are to be charged as an administrative cost.

Subd. 4. The officer or employee authorized by law to pay salaries to employees of the political subdivision employing such member of the state employees retirement association shall likewise pay into the state employees retirement fund a sum equal to the employer contributions and additional contributions required from July 1, 1957 to July 1, 1959, which payment shall also be charged as an administrative cost.

Subd. 5. Every political subdivision employing a member of the state employees retirement association on leave of absence from state service for employment by a political subdivision of the state shall pay into the state employees retirement fund the amount of the employer contribution required by law for members of the state employees retirement association. Such employing political subdivisions may levy such taxes as may be necessary for the payment of employer con-

tributions without limitation as to rate or amount, and the levy of such taxes shall not cause the amount of other taxes to be levied by political subdivisions which are subject to any such limitation, to be reduced in any amount whatsoever.

Subd. 6. The payments made to the state employees retirement fund by members of the association on leave of absence for employment by political subdivisions of the state of Minnesota between July 1, 1957 and July 1, 1959, pursuant to the resolution of the state employees retirement board adopted August 27, 1957, are hereby validated.

Subd. 7. This act is in effect from and after its final passage.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 648—H. F. No. 1889

[Not Coded]

An act to legalize proceedings in certain villages preliminary to and in the issuance of municipal revenue certificates, the funds of which were used to build and erect a village hall.

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

Section 1. Village, revenue certificates validated. When the village council of any village in this state has found and determined that it is necessary and expedient to erect a village hall in such village and in accordance therewith has so erected such building, and when such village council for the purpose of securing funds for the erection of such building has issued revenue certificates of such village payable solely from the rentals of said building for a period of not to exceed the length of time required to pay such certificates, and when such village council has in no manner under the terms of said certificates pledged the full faith and credit of said village to the payment thereof, all such proceedings, leases, and revenue certificates so authorized by such village council are hereby legalized and validated.

Sec. 2. Remedial. It is expressly found and determined that this act is remedial in nature, being necessary to protect the financial credit of such villages and to provide for the conduct of their necessary governmental functions, and