

Sec. 2. *Subdivision 1.* 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.

*Subd. 2.* The purchasing agent shall not be required to secure formal contracts and performance bonds on all purchases of supplies where the total purchase does not exceed the sum of \$2,000.

Sec. 3. *This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul and upon compliance with the provisions of Laws 1959, Chapter 368.*

Approved April 20, 1961.

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#### CHAPTER 547—S. F. No. 1650

[Not Coded]

*An act providing for'vacations for officers and employees of the city of Saint Paul.*

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

**Section 1. St. Paul, city of; officers and employees; vacations.** Notwithstanding inconsistent provisions of any other statute and notwithstanding any contrary provision of the home rule charter of the city of Saint Paul, the governing body of said city may by resolution or ordinance provide for the granting of vacation, with or without pay, to all its regularly employed employees or officers upon such terms and under such conditions as said governing body may determine and subject to such requirements as to length of service with such municipality as said governing body may require.

Nothing in the foregoing provision shall be construed as retroactive in its purpose or intent so as to give the governing body of said city the right to grant vacations for service of its employees or officers rendered prior to the enactment of such ordinance or resolution.

However, the governing body of said city may consider the total length of service of employees or officers with such municipality in establishing the extent of vacation to which

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officers or employees shall be entitled from and after the enactment of such ordinance or resolution.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul and upon compliance with the provisions of Laws 1959, Chapter 368.

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CHAPTER 548—S. F. No. 1652

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to the purchasing program of the county of Ramsey and certain municipal subdivisions therein; amending Laws 1959, Chapter 542, Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6; adding new Sections 6 and 7; providing for renumbering; repealing Laws 1959, Chapter 542, Section 3.*

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

Section 1. Laws 1959, Chapter 542 is amended to read:

Section 1. **Ramsey county; joint county; municipal purchasing program.** *Subdivision 1.* Notwithstanding the provisions of any charter provision, city ordinance, or prior law to the contrary pertaining to purchasing by the city of Saint Paul or the county of Ramsey, and in order to promote competitive bidding, effect economies in volume buying, and provide better service, the city of Saint Paul and the county of Ramsey shall establish a joint purchasing program.

*Subd. 2.* *The city of Saint Paul, the county of Ramsey, and the board of public welfare of the city of Saint Paul and the county of Ramsey shall each be subject to the provisions of this act and shall participate in the purchasing program established pursuant hereto.*

*Subd. 3.* *Any other political subdivision, municipal corporation or municipal agency any part of which lies within Ramsey county may participate in the purchasing program by action of its governing body, subject to approval by the council of the city of Saint Paul and approval by the board of county commissioners of Ramsey county.*

Sec. 2. *Subdivision 1.* *There is established in the*

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