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

Section 1. Public employees retirement association; special benefits. Notwithstanding the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1961, Chapter 353, and any act amendatory thereof to the contrary, an employee of a county highway department with not less than five years of allowable service and who died in March of 1961, shall be deemed to have been a member of the public employees retirement association on the date of his death, notwithstanding that he may not have been on the payroll of a county highway department for a period of not more than 18 months immediately prior to his death, and his widow is eligible for funds from the association. Such benefits shall be payable under Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 353.31, and shall commence as of July 1, 1963.

Sec. 2. Section 1 is applicable only to a surviving widow who has not remarried on or prior to the effective date of this act.

Approved May 2, 1963.

CHAPTER 450-H. F. No. 1008

An act relating to education; teachers contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 125.12, Subdivision 3.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 125.12, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Teachers; termination of contract. Contracts governing the first and second years of a beginning teacher's first teaching experience in Minnesota are not subject to this subdivision. The first and second years of a beginning teacher's first teaching experience in Minnesota shall be deemed to be a probationary period of employment. During this period any annual contract with any such teacher may or may not be renewed as the school board shall see fit; provided, however, the school board shall give written notice to renew or not to renew such contract, to the teacher prior to April 1. If the teacher requests reasons for any nonrenewal of a teaching contract, the school board shall give their reason in writing, if requested, within ten days after receiving such request.

Thereafter, the teacher's contract shall remain in full force and effect, except as modified by mutual consent of the board and the teacher, until terminated by a majority roll call vote of the full

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membership of the board, or by the written resignation of the teacher, before April 1. Provided: before a teacher's contract is terminated by the board, the board shall notify the teacher in writing and state its reason for the proposed termination. Within ten days after receipt of this notification the teacher may make a written request for a hearing before the board and it shall be granted before final action is taken. Such termination shall take effect at the close of the school year in which the contract is terminated in the manner aforesaid. Such contract may be terminated at any time by mutual consent of the board and the teacher and this section shall not affect the powers of a board to discharge or demote a teacher under and pursuant to other provisions of law.

Approved May 2, 1963.

CHAPTER 451—H. F. No. 1153

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the town of Lakewood in the county of St. Louis; conferring certain village powers on said town.

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

- Section 1. Lakewood, town of; village powers. The town of Lakewood in St. Louis County shall have and possess in addition to all other powers now or hereafter granted said town, the same power and the same authority now possessed by villages under the laws of this state insofar as such powers are enumerated in Minnesota Statutes, Section 412.221, Subdivisions 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, and 32, also the powers enumerated in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 412.111, 412.191, Subdivision 4, 412.231, 412.491, 412.851, 412.871, 429.011 to 429.101, and 471.62. The town board thereof may adopt, amend, or repeal such ordinances, rules, and bylaws for any purposes so enumerated as it deems expedient.
- Sec. 2. This act takes effect only after its approval by a majority of the town board of supervisors of such town and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

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