

tion or province providing for the purchase, construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge or bridges, and for the division of costs and responsibilities to be borne by each therefor. The bridge or bridges shall thereafter be constructed, reconstructed, maintained, improved, and operated in accordance with the agreement.

Subd. 2. The agreement may provide that such bridges may be operated as free bridges or as toll bridges, and if the latter, tolls may be collected for the use thereof at rates sufficient to liquidate the capital costs in a reasonable period of time.

Subd. 3. When any trunk highway leads to a toll bridge over boundary waters between this state and an adjoining nation or province, and such bridge is owned by a municipality of this state, the commissioner may purchase such bridge and assume the obligations of any bonds issued for the construction of such bridge and still outstanding at the time of purchase. Such bridge may be purchased under agreement with the adjoining nation or province, or may be purchased in its entirety with trunk highway funds. Upon such purchase, the bridge may be operated as a free bridge or as a toll bridge. If such bridge is operated as a toll bridge, the commissioner may collect tolls for the use of the bridge in such amounts so as to, as nearly as practicable, enable the outstanding bonds to be retired at maturity from the income from such toll charges.

Subd. 4. All costs to be borne by this state of purchasing, constructing, reconstructing, maintaining, improving and operating such bridges, including interest and principle payments of any bond obligations assumed by the commissioner shall be paid out of the trunk highway fund. Minnesota's share of all tolls collected under agreement with an adjoining nation or province, and all tolls collected for any toll bridge purchased entirely by this state shall be paid into the trunk highway fund.

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CHAPTER 257—H. F. No. 181

An act relating to public drainage systems; increasing the maximum cost of drainage system repairs which may be undertaken without bids or contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 106.471, Subdivision 2.

Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by strikeout.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 106.471, Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Drainage; ditch repairs; authority of board.** (a) After the construction of a state, county or judicial drainage system has been completed, the county board shall maintain the same or such part thereof as lies within the county and provide the repairs required to render it efficient to answer its purpose. The board shall cause such drainage system to be annually inspected, either by a committee thereof, or a ditch inspector appointed by the board, and, if the committee or inspector shall report in writing to the board that repairs are necessary on any ditch system and such report is approved by the board, it shall cause such repairs to be made within the limits hereinafter set forth. The ditch inspector may be the county highway engineer.

(b) If the board finds that the estimated cost of such repairs will be less than ~~\$2,500~~ *\$5,000*, it may have such work done by day labor without advertising for bids or entering into a contract therefor. The county board is limited in the expenditure of money therefor as herein provided. In one calendar year the board shall not spend or contract to be spent for repairs or maintenance on one ditch system a sum greater than 20 percent of the cost of construction thereof in that county, *or the sum of \$5,000 if the said 20 percent is less than \$5,000*, except as provided in subdivision 4. In case there are sufficient funds to the credit of the drainage system to make such repairs, such funds may be expended by the county board for such purpose without further assessment.

(c) Before ordering the levy of an assessment for repairs, the county board, in its discretion, may give such notice of hearing thereon as it may deem necessary.

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CHAPTER 258—H. F. No. 297

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An act relating to motor vehicles; regulating the renting, leasing, or furnishing of motor bicycles for pay or hire; requiring the licensing of such businesses with the secretary of state; limiting the use and operation of motor bicycles; providing penalties.

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