

Sec. 2. *This act shall become effective upon approval by the board of county commissioners of the county of St. Louis and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.*

Approved April 3, 1967.

CHAPTER 143—S. F. No. 674

[Not Coded]

An act relating to St. Louis county officials' compensation.

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

Section 1. **St. Louis county; officials compensation.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in St. Louis county the county board of commissioners shall set the annual salaries of the following elected officials and in an amount not less than as follows: County attorney, \$14,500; county superintendent of schools, \$14,500; county auditor, \$12,500; sheriff, \$13,000; county treasurer, \$11,500; clerk of district court, \$10,000; register of deeds, \$10,000; and county coroner, \$6,250; the same shall be full compensation for all their services except that they shall be also entitled to reimbursement for traveling and other expenses in connection with their duties. The salary of no such official shall be reduced during the term for which he was elected or appointed except that in the event a vacancy occurs, in any such office, the board may set the annual salary in an amount not less than the minimum hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective upon approval by the board of county commissioners of the county of St. Louis and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 31, 1967.

CHAPTER 144—H. F. No. 274

An act relating to special assessments in cities, villages, boroughs, and certain towns; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 435.19.

Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by strikeout.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 435.19, is amended to read:

435.19 Cities of first class; property outside boundaries; special assessment. *Subdivision 1.* Any city, however organized, any village or borough, or any town having authority to levy special assessments may levy special assessments against the property of a governmental unit benefited by an improvement to the same extent as if such property were privately owned. The term "governmental unit" includes a county, city, village, borough, town, public corporation, a school district and any other political subdivision, except a city of the first class operating under a home rule charter and the school district, park board or other board or department of such city operating under such charter. If the amount of any such assessment, except one against property of the state, is not paid when due, it may be recovered in a civil action brought by the city, village, borough or such town against the governmental unit owning the property so assessed.

Subd. 2. In the case of property owned by the state or any instrumentality thereof, the governing body of the city, village, borough or town may determine the amount that would have been assessed had the land been privately owned. Such determination shall be made only after the governing body has held a hearing on the proposed assessment after at least two weeks notice of the hearing has been given by registered or certified mail to the head of the instrumentality, department or agency having jurisdiction over the property. The amount thus determined may be paid by the instrumentality, department or agency from available funds. If no funds are available and such instrumentality, department or agency is supported in whole or in part by appropriations from the general revenue fund, then it shall include in its next budget request the amount thus determined. No instrumentality, department or agency shall be bound by the determination of the governing body and may pay from available funds or recommend payment in such lesser amount as it determines is the measure of the benefit received by the land from the improvement.

Subd. 3. *In the case of property owned by a city of the first class or board or instrumentality thereof, the governing body of any city, village, borough or town may determine the amount that would have been assessed had the land been privately owned. Such determination shall be made only after the governing body has held a hearing on the proposed assessment after at least two weeks notice of the hearing has been given by certified mail to the city or its in-*

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strumentality operating the property. Such city of the first class or board or instrumentality thereof may pay the amount so determined or such lesser amount as it determines is the measure of the benefit received by the land from the improvement. In addition to any authority now possessed by the park board of any such city of the first class to levy taxes it may levy upon the taxable property of such city a tax sufficient to raise the amount so determined as the benefit to the property owned or operated by such park board.

Subd. 4. When any local improvement has been heretofore made and special assessments have been levied to finance all or part of the cost of such improvement under any law or charter not to expressly authorizing assessments against public property, any governmental unit *or any city of the first class or board or instrumentality of a city of the first class* owning property benefited by such improvement may pay to the city, village, borough or town making the improvement the amount of any benefit received therefrom not in excess of the amount that would have been assessable against such property were it privately owned.

Subd. 5. This section shall not modify any law or charter provision authorizing the imposition of special assessments against governmental units.

Approved April 4, 1967.

CHAPTER 145—H. F. No. 383

An act relating to elections on the sale of liquor in certain municipalities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Sections 340.20, 340.21, and 340.323.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 340.20 is amended to read:

340.20 Intoxicating liquors; local option elections, petition; cities of fourth class. The ~~village~~ recorder or clerk of any village or city of the fourth class of ~~this state~~ shall, upon the petition of a number of legal voters of the ~~village~~ *village or city of the fourth class* equal to 30 percent of the persons voting at the last election in such ~~village~~ *village or city of the fourth class* or 200 legal voters of the ~~village~~ *village or city of the fourth class* whichever is the lesser number, filed with him at least 15 days before the ~~annual~~ *village regular* election thereof, give notice at the same time and in the same manner as the notice of such election that the question of granting license

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