

**[163.111] Drainage facilities, vacation.** *On consideration of a petition for vacation of a county highway, the county board shall determine whether the lateral ditches of said highway are essential for surface drainage of adjacent lands, or for drainage of public highways, in the area. If the board finds that preservation of such drainage facilities is for the general health and welfare of the public, then the board may cause the highway to be vacated with a provision that the county shall retain the right of access for the purpose of maintaining such drainage facilities. An owner of land adjacent to the vacated portion of the highway shall not interfere with the functioning of such drainage facilities.*

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#### CHAPTER 724—S. F. No. 1305

*An act relating to elections; providing for the mandatory registration of voters in certain places; amending Minnesota Statutes 1965, Sections 201.02 and 201.03.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 201.02, is amended to read:

**201.02 Elections; voter registration; where required.** All municipalities having a population of 10,000 or more, *all municipalities in which not less than 800 votes were cast in the last general election and in which any polling place is situated within 15 miles of the city limits of any city of the first class, and any other municipality when the governing body of such municipality shall by ordinance or resolution elect to come within the provisions of sections 201.01 to 201.27, shall maintain a permanent system for the registration of voters, and the judges of election in any election precinct located in any such municipality may not receive the vote at any election of any person whose name is not registered in accordance with the provisions of sections 201.01 to 201.27, except as provided in section 204.075. A permanent system for the registration of voters once established under this section shall not be abolished or abandoned.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 201.03, is amended to read:

**201.03 Commissioner of registration, office created.** The office of commissioner of registration is hereby created in all mu-

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municipalities having a population of 10,000 or more required by section 201.02 to have registration, and in any other municipality when the governing body of such municipality shall by ordinance or resolution elect to come within the provisions of sections 201.01 to 201.27. The clerk of each city, village or town is hereby constituted the commissioner under this section.

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## CHAPTER 725—S. F. No. 1322

[Coded]

*An act relating to city, village, or borough programs of public recreation and playgrounds, the acquisition, betterment, and leasing of land, buildings, and parking and other facilities for such programs, and the pledge of the gross income therefrom for the security of bonds issued and leases executed for that purpose.*

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

Section 1. [471.191] **Public recreation programs; acquisition of facilities.** Subdivision 1. Any city, village, or borough operating a program of public recreation and playgrounds pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 471.15 to 471.19 may acquire or lease, equip, and maintain land, buildings, and other recreational facilities, including, but without limitation, outdoor or indoor swimming pools, skating rinks and arenas, athletic fields, golf courses, marinas, and facilities for other kinds of athletic participation, contests, and exhibitions, together with related automobile parking facilities as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 459.14, and may expend funds for the operation of such program and borrow and expend funds for capital costs thereof pursuant to the provisions of this section.

Subd. 2. Any such city, village, or borough may issue bonds pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, for the acquisition and betterment of land, buildings, and facilities for the purpose of carrying out the powers granted by this section. Such bonds, unless authorized as general obligations of the issuer pursuant to approval of the electors or pursuant to another law or charter provision permitting such issuance without an election, shall be payable solely from the income of land, buildings, and facilities used or useful for the operation of the program, but may be secured by a pledge to the bondholders, or to a trustee, of all income and revenues of whatsoever

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