

county board of commissioners as hereinafter provided, unless such office is hereafter abolished pursuant to a reorganization or consolidation under section 2.

Sec. 2. The duties, functions and responsibilities which have been heretofore and which shall be hereafter required by statute to be performed by the various elected officials whose offices are by this act made appointive shall be vested in and performed by the board of commissioners of Ramsey county through department heads appointed by the board for that purpose. Any such department head shall be in the unclassified service as defined by Laws 1941, Chapter 513, as amended. The board of commissioners of Ramsey county shall have the authority to initiate and direct any reorganization, consolidation, reallocation or delegation of such duties, functions, or responsibilities for the purpose of promoting efficiency in county government, and may make such other administrative changes, including the abolishing of the offices of auditor, treasurer and register of deeds or the transfer of personnel, as are deemed necessary for this purpose. Such reorganization, reallocation or delegation or other administrative change or transfer shall not diminish, prohibit or avoid those specific duties required by statute to be performed by those officials whose office is now made appointive.

Sec. 3. The presently elected county auditor, county treasurer, court commissioner, and register of deeds shall serve as the head of any department created by the county board of commissioners to perform the functions formerly performed by his office and shall serve until his term of office expires; or upon the expiration of his present term until his successor is appointed and duly qualifies; and shall not prior to age 70 be disqualified from reappointment by reason of age.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective upon its approval by the board of county commissioners of Ramsey county, and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 15, 1971.

CHAPTER 311—H.F.No.1620

[Not Coded]

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

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

**Section 1. GNESEN, TOWN OF; ST. LOUIS COUNTY; VIL-
LAGE POWERS.** The town of Gnesen 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, Sections 412.221, Subdivisions 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, and 32; 412.111; 412.191, Subdivision 4; 412.231; 412.301; 412.491; 412.851; 412.871; 429.011 to 429.101; 465.01; 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 the town board of supervisors of such town and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 15, 1971.

CHAPTER 312—H.F.No.1632

An act relating to the Ramsey county law library; fees to be collected for upkeep of library; amending Minnesota Statutes 1969, Sections 140.19 and 140.21.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 140.19, is amended to read:

140.19 RAMSEY COUNTY; LAW LIBRARY; FEES. In ~~each county having more than 350,000 and less than 500,000 inhabitants~~ Ramsey county, there is hereby established a law library which shall be subject to the provisions of sections 140.19 to 140.25.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1969, Section 140.21, is amended to read:

140.21 FEES. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the district court of such county to collect in each civil suit, action or proceeding filed in such court, in the manner in which other fees are collected therein and in addition thereto, as law library fees, the sum of ~~\$2~~ \$3 from the plaintiff or person instituting such suit, action or proceeding, at the

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