Any money so set aside shall be used by the commissioner solely for the purpose of (a) conducting research in methods of and materials for the construction and maintenance of municipal state-aid streets for improving the design, construction, maintenance and environmental compatibility of municipal state-aid streets and appurtenances, (b) constructing research elements and reconstructing or replacing research elements that fail, and (c) conducting programs for implementing and monitoring research results. Any balance remaining in the research account at the end of each year shall be transferred to the municipal state-aid street fund.

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## CHAPTER 173—S.F.No.3053 [Not Coded]

An act relating to the determination of the frontage assessments for the extension of water service in the city of St. Paul; repealing Special Laws 1885, Chapter 110, Section 26; and Laws 1951, Chapter 272.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MIN-NESOTA:

Section 1. ST. PAUL, CITY OF; FRONTAGE ASSESSMENT FOR WATER SERVICE. Notwithstanding any provision of law or the charter of the city of St. Paul to the contrary, the council of the city of St. Paul, upon the advice of its board of water commissioners and in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 14 of the charter of said city, is hereby authorized and empowered to assess against each and every lot, piece or parcel of land in front of which water pipes are hereafter installed, an annual tax or assessment to be determined by the said council in an amount not to exceed the benefits accruing to the property from the installation, which assessment shall be a lien thereon and shall be collected by and through the county auditor and county treasurer in such manner as the council of such city, by administrative ordinance, shall prescribe, and all sums so collected will be for the benefit and use of the waterworks system of said city.

Sec. 2. Special Laws 1885, Chapter 110, Section 26, and Laws 1951, Chapter 272, are repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of St. Paul and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved March 15, 1974.

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