

stringent than the rules and regulations of the commissioner. The rules and regulations of the commissioner or the more stringent ordinance or resolution of the city, county or town shall apply to all state agencies and special purpose districts which own or control land within any county, city or town exercising the powers granted in section 18.022.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect the day following enactment.

Approved June 2, 1975.

CHAPTER 254—HLF.No.1315

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An act relating to firemen's relief; pensions; retirement and survivors benefits payable by the firemen's relief associations of the cities of Red Wing and Hibbing; amending Laws 1935, Chapter 192, Section 1, as amended.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **HIBBING AND RED WING, CITIES OF; FIREMEN'S RELIEF.** Notwithstanding any provision of Laws 1953, Chapter 348 or Laws 1973, Chapter 359 or any other general or local law to the contrary, retirement and survivors benefits payable by the Red Wing firemen's relief association shall be governed by sections 1 to 4 of this act.

Sec. 2. A member of the association who retired prior to January 1, 1957 shall be entitled to a basic pension of \$260 per month for life. A member who retired on or after January 1, 1957 but prior to January 1, 1972 shall be entitled to a basic pension of \$230 per month for life. A member who retired on or after January 1, 1972, shall be entitled to the retirement benefits provided by Laws 1973, Chapter 359.

Sec. 3. The surviving spouse of a retired, disabled or active member of the association who died prior to January 1, 1972 shall be entitled to a basic pension of \$150 per month for life or until she shall remarry. Each surviving child or children of a retired, disabled or active member of the association who died prior to January 1, 1972 shall be entitled to a basic pension of \$37 per month until attaining the age of 18 years. The surviving spouse and children of a retired, disabled or active member who died on or after January 1, 1972, shall be entitled to the benefits provided by Laws 1973, Chapter 359.

Sec. 4. Retirement and survivors benefits provided by sections 1 to 4 of this act may be subject to biannual adjustments in the manner prescribed by Laws 1973, Chapter 359, Section 6, in the discretion of the city council.

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Sec. 5. Laws 1935, Chapter 192, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 48, Section 1, Laws 1955, Chapter 294, Section 1, Laws 1959, Chapter 208, Section 1, Laws 1967, Chapter 816, Section 1, Laws 1969, Chapter 686, Section 1, and Laws 1971, Chapter 614, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **HIBBING, CITY OF; FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION.** Subdivision 1. **SERVICE PENSIONS.** The Hibbing firemen's relief association shall pay to each of its members who has retired after 20 years or more of active service as a member of the fire department of the ~~village~~ city of Hibbing and who has attained the age of 55 years a monthly service pension for the remainder of his life equal to one-half of his average monthly earnings as a member of the fire department during his last six months of service; provided that the amount of any service pension payable to a retired member shall be increased from time to time by one-half of the amount of any salary increase granted subsequent to passage of this act to an active member of the fire department of a rank equivalent to the rank held by the retired member at the time of his retirement. The monthly payments may be increased by adding thereto an amount not to exceed \$10 per month for each year of active service over 20 years of service before retirement, not to exceed five years for the purpose of pension computation.

The service pension of an already retired member, from and after January 1, 1975, shall be not less than \$300 per month and shall be increased from time to time after the effective date of this act by the same amount and in the same manner as if the member had retired after the effective date of Laws 1971, Chapter 614.

Subd. 2. **DEPENDENCY PENSIONS.** When a pensioned and retired or active member of the association dies leaving

(1) A widow who was his legally married wife, residing with him, and who was married to him while or prior to the time he was on the payroll of the fire department; and who, in case the deceased member was a service pensioner, was legally married to the member at least three years before his retirement from the fire department; or

(2) A child or children who were living while the deceased was on the payroll of the fire department, or born within nine months after the decedent was withdrawn from the payroll of the fire department, the widow and the child or children shall be entitled to a pension or pensions, as follows:

(a) To the widow, not to exceed the sum of \$150 per month, as the bylaws of the association provide, for her natural life which amount may be applicable to widows already receiving pension payments before the effective date of the most recent amendment hereto which affects the amount if the bylaws should so provide; provided, that if she shall remarry then the pension shall cease and terminate as of the date of her remarriage;

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(b) To the child or children, if their mother be living, a pension of not to exceed \$25 per month for each child up to the time each child reaches the age of 18 years; provided, the total pensions hereunder for the widow and children of the deceased member shall not exceed the sum of \$180 per month;

(c) A child or children of a deceased member receiving a pension or pensions hereunder shall, after the death of their mother, be entitled to receive a pension or pensions in such amount as the board of trustees of the association shall deem necessary to properly support the child or children until they reach the age of 18 years; but the total amount of the pension or pensions hereunder for any child or children shall not exceed the sum of \$180 per month.

Subd. 3. **DISABILITY PENSIONS.** A member of the association who is totally disabled by injury or sickness while an active member of the fire department of the ~~village~~ city but is ineligible for a service pension under subdivision 1 shall be paid a monthly disability pension for the duration of his disability in such amount as would be payable for the same disability under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 176, if within the scope of those provisions.

Subd. 4. **APPLICABILITY OF AMENDMENTS.** No amendment to Laws 1935, Chapter 192, Section 1, which affects the amount of any pension or other benefit authorized or required to be paid by the association or which provides for the payment of a kind of pension or other benefit not previously authorized or required to be paid by the association shall apply to any member or dependent of a member who qualifies to receive such pension or other benefit by reason of death, retirement, or disability which occurs before the effective date of the amendment unless another provision of this section provides to the contrary. In the absence of such a provision to the contrary, such person shall continue to receive pensions or other benefits in accordance with the law as it exists before the amendment takes effect.

Subd. 5. ~~All payments of pensions made to members who have retired prior to the enactment of Laws 1966, Chapter 204, not in excess of amounts therein authorized, are hereby validated and legalized.~~

Sec. 6. From and after January 1, 1976, neither the city of Hibbing nor the firemen's relief association in the city of Hibbing shall qualify for state fire aid pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 69, nor shall the commissioner of insurance certify such association to the county auditor as provided in Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.021, unless the provisions of Laws 1971, Chapter 614, Section 2, are complied with. Such compliance shall be determined by the commissioner of insurance, and the association shall include the information needed for such determination with its annual financial report required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.051.

Sec. 7. Sections 1 to 4 of this act are effective upon approval by
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the Red Wing city council and upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021. Sections 5 and 6 of this act shall be effective upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Hibbing and upon compliance with section 645.021.

Approved June 2, 1975.

CHAPTER 255—H.F.No.1422

An act relating to highways; adding an additional leg or alternative route to the highway route designated as the Voyageur highway; amending Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 161.14, Subdivision 18.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1974, Section 161.14, Subdivision 18, is amended to read:

Subd. 18. **HIGHWAYS; VOYAGEUR HIGHWAY; ALTERNATE ROUTE.** The following route is named and designated the "Voyageur Highway":

(a) Beginning at a point on trunk highway No. 26 on the boundary line between the states of Minnesota and Iowa; thence northerly along trunk highway No. 26 to its junction with trunk highway No. 61; thence northwesterly along trunk highway No. 61 to its junction with trunk highway No. 10 in the city of St. Paul; thence extending in a general northwesterly direction along trunk highway No. 10 to its junction with trunk highway No. 371 at Little Falls; thence extending in a general northerly direction along trunk highway No. 371 to its junction with trunk highway No. 210 at Brainerd; thence northeasterly along trunk highway No. 210 to its junction with trunk highway No. 169 at Aitkin; thence in a general northerly direction along trunk highway No. 169 to its junction with trunk highway No. 2 at Grand Rapids; thence northwesterly along trunk highway No. 2 to its junction with trunk highway No. 71 at Bemidji; thence northeasterly along trunk highway No. 71 to its junction with trunk highway No. 11 at Pelland; thence northeasterly along trunk highway No. 11 to its junction with trunk highway No. 53 at International Falls; thence southeasterly along trunk highway No. 53 to its junction with trunk highway No. 61 at Duluth; thence northeasterly along trunk highway No. 61 to the boundary line between the state of Minnesota and the province of Ontario, Canada.

(b) The route of the Voyageur highway designated and described in clause (a) is supplemented by legs or alternative routes described as follows:

Beginning at a point on trunk highway No. 1 at its junction with
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