For the purpose of this subdivision, "school zone" means that section of a street or highway which abuts the grounds of a school where children have access to the street or highway from the school property or where an established school crossing is located provided the school advance sign prescribed by the manual on uniform traffic control devices adopted by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to section 169.06 is in place. All signs erected by local authorities to designate speed limits in school zones shall conform to the manual on uniform control devices.

Approved May 3, 1979.

CHAPTER 61-S.F.No.384

An act relating to elections; providing additional compensation for election judges who travel to pick up election supplies or deliver ballots; authorizing town boards to fix the compensation of town election judges; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 204A.23.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 204A.23, is amended to read:

- 204A.23 COMPENSATION. The compensation for services performed under the Minnesota election law shall be as follows:
- (a) To presidential electors, \$10 for each day's attendance at the capitol, and an amount for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from St. Paul, equal to the amount allowed for state employees in accordance with regulation under section 471.665, subdivision 1:
- (b) To persons earrying, other than county, city or township employees during their normal work day, appointed or designated by the county auditor to carry ballots to or from, and returns to, the county auditor's office, \$2 a sum not less than the prevailing Minnesota minimum wage for each hour necessarily spent and an amount for each mile of necessary travel, equal to the amount allowed for state employees in accordance with regulation under section 471.665, subdivision 1;
- (c) To members of county canvassing boards, \$5 for each eight hours of service as members of the canvassing board and seven and one-half cents for each mile of necessary travel each day; provided that in counties now or hereafter having a population of 600,000 or more the members of the county canvassing boards in those counties shall be paid \$12 for each eight hours of service as members of the canvassing board, and mileage;
- (d) The compensation for election judges in home rule charter and statutory cities shall be fixed by the governing body of the municipality and in the ease of city. The compensation of election judges in unorganized territory reshall be fixed by the county board except that. The compensation for election judges in the ease of townships towns shall be fixed at the annual town meeting by the town board. An election judge who

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travels to pick up election supplies or to deliver election returns to the county auditor shall receive, in addition to other compensation authorized by this section, a sum not less than the prevailing Minnesota minimum wage for each hour spent performing these duties, plus mileage in the same amount as allowed for state employees pursuant to section 471.665, subdivision 1; and

- (e) To special peace officers, an amount for each hour of service rendered by direction of the judges, to be fixed as in the case of judges of election.
 - Sec. 2. This act is effective the day following its final enactment.

Approved May 3, 1979.

CHAPTER 62—S.F.No.493

An act relating to elections; providing for the tabulation and announcement of votes cast on electronic voting systems; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 206.185, Subdivision 5, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 206.185, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3a. When the ballot cards arrive at a counting center where votes are counted by a multiple use computer, they shall be given to the counting center election judges. If the election judges at the precinct have determined that any group of ballot cards are not defective by reason of improper write-in votes, that group of ballot cards may be counted by the automatic tabulating equipment before inspection by the counting center election judges. The results of any preliminary tabulation may be made available to the public, provided that the tabulation is clearly identified as unofficial.

For purposes of this subdivision, a multiple use computer is a type of automatic tabulating equipment which can perform functions other than counting votes.

After any preliminary tabulation has been made, the ballot cards shall be returned to the counting center election judges, who shall then examine them for physical defects and prepare replacements, if necessary, as provided in subdivision 4.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 206.185, Subdivision 5, is amended to read:
- Subd. 5. The return printed by the automatic tabulating equipment, to which has been added the return A final tabulation of ballots shall be obtained from the automatic tabulating equipment after all defective cards have been replaced. The final tabulation, together with the returns of write-in and absentee votes and the precinct summary

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