

raised under any proceeding authorized by the charter of any such city for improvement of any such road, highway or bridge, and shall be expended from such fund in the same manner as other funds therein.

Sec. 4. **Appropriation not to be declared invalid.**—Such appropriation shall not be declared invalid because the same shall be more or less than one-half the total cost of such improvement as finally determined.

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CHAPTER 256—H. F. No. 901.

*An act to amend Section 9789, General Statutes 1923, relating to proofs of claim and order of payment in assignments for the benefit of creditors making claims for unpaid workmen's compensation preferred claims.*

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

Section 1. **Proof of claims for workmen's compensation.**—Section 9789, General Statutes of Minnesota 1923, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 9789. No claims or demands except debts owing to the United States or to the State, or taxes or assessments against the debtor or the property assigned, shall be paid, unless proofs thereof verified by the creditors be presented to the assignee. After payment of the charges and expenses of making the assignment and executing the trust, he shall pay the debts of the assignor in the order following:

1. Debts owing to the United States and to the State, and all taxes and assessments against the debtor or the property assigned, shall first be paid in full.

2. *The claims of employes sustaining injury in the course of their employment and entitled to compensation under the provisions of Part II, Chapter 23-A, General Statutes 1923, shall next be paid in full if there be sufficient wherewith to do so, and if not they shall be paid pro rata, provided that claims under this subdivision of this section shall not be allowed if the assignor carried workmen's compensation insurance as provided by law at the time the injury was sustained.*

3. Wages of servants, laborers, mechanics, and clerks for services performed for the debtor within three months next preceding the assignment shall next be paid in full if there be sufficient wherewith to do so, and, if not, they shall be paid pro rata; but, to entitle any creditor to payment under this subdivision, his proof of claim must set forth facts showing that he is entitled hereunder.

4. All other debts shall be paid in full if there be sufficient left wherewith to do so, and if not, they shall be paid pro rata. Provided, that no debt for which the creditor holds a mortgage, pledge, or other security shall be paid until he has exhausted his security, or has surrendered it to the assignee."

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CHAPTER 257—H. F. No. 938.

*An act to authorize cities in this state now or hereafter having a population of more than fifty thousand inhabitants, to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of acquiring and improving lands for public parks, parkways and playgrounds.*

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

**Section 1. Cities authorized to issue bonds for public parks.**—Any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants is hereby authorized and empowered, upon request of the Board of Park Commissioners of such city or of such other governing body as may have charge and supervision of the parks, parkways and playgrounds of such city, by ordinance duly enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members elect of its governing body, to issue and sell at such times and in such amount as is deemed expedient, bonds of such city not exceeding One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand (\$125,000) Dollars par value for the purpose of acquiring and improving lands for public parks, parkways and playgrounds, provided that this act shall not supersede the provisions of the charter of any city providing for the referendum of ordinances passed by the governing body to a vote of the electors of the city, nor with the provisions of the charter of any city making the action of the common council subject to approval by a Board of Estimate and Taxation, nor with the provisions of any such charter prescribing a particular method of authorization of such bonds.

**Sec. 2. Tax levy to pay bonds and interest.**—The bonds authorized by Section 1 of this act, or any portion thereof, may be issued and sold by any such city, but the full faith and credit of any such city shall at all times be pledged for the payment of any bonds issued under this act and for the current interest thereon, and the common council of such city shall each year include in the tax levy for such city, a sufficient amount to provide for the payment of such interest, and for the accumulation of a sinking fund for the redemption of such bonds at their maturity.

**Sec. 3. Limitations.**—No bonds shall be issued by any such city for the purpose herein above mentioned, to run for a longer