

schools in seed analysis and germination and grain and hay grading, any school board of any school district maintaining an agricultural department in a classified high school may apply to the State Board for Vocational Education for assistance provided herein. Upon approval of such application, in accordance with standards set up by the State Board for Vocational Education, the district shall become eligible to receive such assistance.

**Sec. 2. Equipment supply to high schools.** The State Board for Vocational Education is hereby authorized to secure and supply to high schools obtaining such approval, the equipment necessary in the giving of such a course. Such equipment shall be purchased for the State Board for Vocational Education by the State Purchasing Agent in the same manner as other purchases for the state are made. Payment therefor shall be made out of any monies appropriated for that purpose, but not exceeding the amount appropriated and available for such purposes. Equipment so purchased and furnished to any high school shall remain subject to the control and disposition of the State Board for Vocational Education.

**Sec. 3. Appropriation.** For the purpose of providing the equipment necessary for such course in high schools, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$5,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945; \$5,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946 and \$2,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947; such amounts to be expended under the direction of the State Board for Vocational Education.

Approved April 18, 1945.

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#### CHAPTER 392—H. F. No. 494

*An act relating to public examiner and examination of counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 215.11.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 215.11, is amended to read as follows:

**215.11. Examination of counties; fees.** All the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the public examiner shall be exercised and performed by him in respect to the offices, institutions, public property, and improvements of the

several counties of the state. At least once in each year, the public examiner shall visit, without previous notice, each county and make a thorough examination of all accounts and records relating to the receipt and disbursement of the public funds and the custody of the public funds and other property. He shall prescribe and install systems of accounts and financial reports that shall be uniform, so far as practicable, for the same class of offices. A copy of the report of such examination shall be filed and be subject to public inspection in the office of the public examiner and another copy in the office of the auditor of the county thus examined. *The public examiner may accept the records and audit, or any part thereof, of the division of social welfare in lieu of his examination of the county social welfare funds, if such audit has been made within any period covered by the public examiner's audit of the other records of the county.* If any such examination shall disclose malfeasance, misfeasance, or non-feasance in any office of such county, such report shall be filed with the county attorney of the county, and it shall be his duty to institute such civil and criminal proceedings as the law and the protection of the public interests shall require.

The county receiving such examination shall pay to the state the total cost and expenses of such examination, including the salaries paid to the examiners while actually engaged in making such examination. Such salary charge shall not exceed \$10.00 per day. The appropriation accounts of the public examiner shall be credited with all collections made for any such examinations, and the moneys so collected are hereby appropriated for the uses and purposes of these appropriation accounts.

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#### CHAPTER 393—S. F. No. 40

*An act relating to standard time, and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 645.07.*

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes of 1941, Section 645.07, is amended to read as follows:

**645.07. Uniform standard time.** Every mention of, or reference to, any hour or time in any law is to be construed