

CHAPTER 642—H. F. No. 1076

An act relating to tax hearings and participation of municipalities therein; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 270.19.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 270.19, is amended to read:

270.19 Tax hearings; municipalities as parties. Any city, town, village, borough, school district, or county (all of which governmental subdivisions shall be embraced in the word "municipality" as used hereinafter) may appear at and become a party to any proceedings before the commissioner of taxation held for the purpose of equalizing or assessing any real or personal property in such municipality, or reducing the assessed valuation of any such property. For that purpose any such municipality may employ counsel and disburse money for other expenses in connection with such proceedings, on duly itemized, verified claims, which shall be audited and allowed as now provided by law for the allowance of claims against a municipality. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of taxation, at the time of such hearing, to grant the municipality, at its request, such further reasonable time as may be necessary for such municipality to prepare for further hearing. *Before granting any reduction in assessed valuation exceeding \$30,000, it shall be the duty of the commissioner of taxation, when any taxpayer or property owner has applied for a reduction of the assessed valuation of any real or personal property in an amount exceeding \$15,000 \$30,000, to give written notice to the officials of the municipality wherein such property is located and to permit such municipality to have reasonable opportunity to be heard at any proceedings concerning such application reduction.*

Approved May 22, 1965.

CHAPTER 643—H. F. No. 1214

[Coded in Part]

An act relating to the Minnesota Soldiers home; raising the compensation of members of the board of trustees; changing the designation of persons admitted to the home from inmates to residents of the home; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Chapter 198, as amended, by adding a section; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961,

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Sections 198.06, as amended; 198.07; 198.08; 198.10; 198.17; 198.18; 198.19; 198.21; and 198.23.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Chapter 198, as amended, is amended by adding a section to read:

[198.001] Minnesota Soldiers home; definition. *For the purposes of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 198, the term "resident of the home" means a person admitted to the Minnesota soldiers home.*

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.06, as amended by Laws 1963, Chapter 495, Section 1, is amended to read:

198.06 Minnesota Soldiers home; trustees; compensation, bond. The nine trustees of the soldiers home board shall be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, each for a term of six years, and until his successor qualifies. No two members of the board of trustees, except one member appointed at large, shall reside, at the time of their appointment, in the same congressional district. Vacancies shall be filled by like appointment for unexpired terms. They shall receive as compensation for their services in attending meetings of the board and meetings of any committee thereof, the sum of ~~\$15~~ \$25 per day for each such meeting day so attended, and in addition thereto actual expenses incurred in attending such meeting. Claims for such compensation shall be paid by the state treasurer from the money provided for the support of the soldiers home upon itemized and verified vouchers approved by the president and secretary, after audit by the state auditor. Not more than five of the trustees shall be members of the same political party, and in the selection of trustees, officers of the home, and employees of the board, preference shall be given to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines. Each trustee shall give a bond to the state in the penal sum of \$5,000, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties and economical expenditure of the funds provided for hereunder. The trustee who shall be selected by the board as treasurer of the home shall give an additional bond to the state in such sum as may be designated by the board of trustees, conditional that such treasurer shall account for and pay over, according to the directions of the board, all moneys or other property which may come into his possession with the consent of the ~~inmates~~ *residents of the home* from ~~the inmates residents~~ of such home as such treasurer. The surety on such treasurer's bond may be any surety company that is authorized to contract as such by the laws of this state, and the cost thereof shall be paid out of the home support fund.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.07, is amended to read:

198.07 **President; secretary; treasurer; duties.** The soldiers' home board shall appoint a secretary, and elect from its members a president, a treasurer of the home, and an executive committee of three. The same person may hold the positions of treasurer and president. The secretary shall record its transactions and keep books, records and accounts, showing the administration of the soldiers home and relief funds, and all facts of public interest relating to the home. He shall receive such salary as the board shall designate. The state treasurer shall be *ex officio* the treasurer of the board. The board shall adopt and enforce rules for the government of the home and proper bylaws for the conduct of its business, and, with the approval of the governor, may also make rules not inconsistent with this chapter, respecting the admission, maintenance, and discharge of ~~inmates~~ *residents of the home*, and the disbursements of the funds under its control.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.08, is amended to read:

198.08 **Meetings; executive committee.** The annual meeting of the soldiers home board shall be held on the second Tuesday of August, and a semi-annual meeting on the second Tuesday of February, at which times the trustees shall examine into the condition of the ~~inmates~~ *residents* of the home, and of all others under their care. A special meeting for a designated purpose may be called at any time by the president or by any two of the trustees. The executive committee shall meet at least once each month, and, when assembled, may exercise such powers of the board as the bylaws shall permit. The principal office of the board, and the place of its meetings, shall be at the home.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.10, is amended to read:

198.10 **Soldiers home fund; standing appropriation.** The sum of \$20,000 is hereby appropriated annually for the support of the home and ~~its inmates~~ *residents of the home*, which sum, together with all other moneys provided for the same purposes from time to time, shall be kept separate from the relief fund established by sections 198.11 and 198.12, and be known as the "soldiers home fund."

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.17, is amended to read:

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198.17 Residents to retain pension. The soldiers home board shall not make or enforce any rule, regulation, or bylaw, requiring any applicant for admission to, or any ~~inmate~~ *resident* of, the Minnesota soldiers home to pay or to promise or agree to pay, his United States pension, or any part thereof, or to pay any sum in any manner, to the soldiers home or to any board or officer or employee thereof, or to any department or fund thereof or appertaining thereto, or to part with or to promise to part with such pension, or any part thereof, or of any sum of money, as a condition of admission to such soldiers home, or as a condition to remaining an ~~inmate~~ *a resident* thereof, or as a condition of or as payment for granting or according to such ~~inmate~~ *resident*, or to such applicant, if admitted, any ordinary or special attention or service in or in connection with such home.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.18, is amended to read:

198.18 Employees not to receive any part of pension. No servant, agent, or employee of the Minnesota soldiers home shall accept or receive *from any applicant for membership in, or from any resident of, such soldiers home* any part of the United States pension of such applicant or ~~inmate~~ *resident*, or any sum of money in any manner in any case mentioned in section 198.17 wherein the soldiers; ~~from any applicant for membership in, or from any inmate of, such soldiers home~~ board is prohibited from requiring payment or promise of payment thereof from such applicant or ~~inmate~~ *resident*.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.19, is amended to read:

198.19 Wife or dependent children. Sections 198.17 to 198.21 shall not be construed in such a manner as to prevent or prohibit the soldiers home board from making and enforcing a regulation requiring ~~inmates~~ *residents* of such soldiers home to pay to such board of managers for the support of the wife or dependent children of such ~~inmate~~ *resident* all or any part of the United States pension received by such ~~inmate~~ *resident* in excess of the sum of \$4 per month.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.21, is amended to read:

198.21 Wife or dependent children; disposal of pensions; relief. If such applicant or if any ~~inmate~~ *resident* of such home has a wife or children dependent upon him for support, the soldiers home board may, in its discretion, require that any such applicant or ~~inmate~~ *resident*, who receives a United States pension exceeding \$4 per

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month, shall pay not to exceed one half thereof, to be determined by such board of managers, for the support and maintenance of such wife or dependent children. Such board may, in addition, grant to such dependents a monthly allowance from the relief fund in such sum as shall be determined by such board.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 198.23, is amended to read:

198.23 **Personal property of residents; will.** As a condition of his admission to the home, every person shall execute his will, and deposit the same with the secretary, disposing of any personal property of which he may die possessed. Upon the decease of any such testator, the board shall cause such of his personal estate as may be left in his possession to be disposed of pursuant to the will, without probate thereof or other proceedings thereon. All property of the deceased ~~inmate~~ *resident of the home* not so bequeathed by will, and remaining at home, unclaimed, for one year after his death, shall be inventoried, appraised, and sold, and the proceeds thereof paid into the state treasury to the credit of the soldiers home fund.

Sec. 11. **Effective date.** *This act is effective July 1, 1965.*

Approved May 22, 1965.

CHAPTER 644—H. F. No. 1217

[Coded]

An act relating to teachers retirement; providing additional benefits to those who retired under the 1915 teachers insurance and retirement law; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 135.55, by adding a new subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 135.55, is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. Teachers retirement; annuitants under 1915 law; added benefits. Each annuitant who as a member of the fund commenced drawing an annuity pursuant to Laws 1915, Chapter 199, as amended, shall be paid \$10 per month in addition to the amount such annuitant is otherwise entitled to receive under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1961, Sections 135.01 to 135.56.

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