

CHAPTER 23.

S. F. No. 144.

An act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of the several counties of the State of Minnesota to issue bonds to pay for building a Court House in certain cases.

Bonds for court houses.

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

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of any county of this state which has entered into a contract prior to Jan. 1, 1905, for the building of a court house requiring the expenditure of money therefor are hereby authorized and empowered to issue and sell the bonds of such county at any time prior to the first of September, 1905, in such sums as may be reasonable and necessary for the completion of such court house, not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), with interest coupons attached, for the purpose of paying any obligation or indebtedness of said county which may be incurred under any such contract, which bonds and the proceeds thereof shall be used for no other purpose than paying indebtedness incurred through such contract or contracts for building a court house.

Authority to Co. commissioners.

SEC. 2. The said bonds shall be in such sums as the board of county commissioners shall determine, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent (5%) per annum, payable annually. The principal shall become due and payable at such time or times as the said board of county commissioners may by resolution determine, not less than five (5) or more than twenty (20) years from the date of the issuance of said bonds, respectively.

Rate of interest.

SEC. 3. The bonds and the interest coupons attached, issued under the provisions of this act, shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners and attested by the auditor, and sealed with his official seal, and be made payable at the office of the county treasurer of said county. The auditor shall keep a record of all bonds issued under the provisions of this act, which record shall show the date, number and amount of each bond; the rate of interest; the time when due; the place where payable, and the name of the party to whom issued.

Signed by chairman.

SEC. 4. The board of county commissioners shall annually after the date of issuance of said bonds levy a tax upon the taxable property of said county in addition

Levy tax.

to all other taxes levied sufficient to pay the interest accruing yearly upon the bonds issued in pursuance of this act; and when any of the principal is about to become due they shall in like manner levy a sufficient amount of taxes to pay such principal when due.

SEC. 5. The board of county commissioners shall have authority to negotiate said bonds but for not less than their par value.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 2, 1905.

H. F. No. 97.

CHAPTER 24.

County poor
houses.

An act to legalize the acts of county commissioners in creating an indebtedness for the erection of county poor houses in certain cases.

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

Legalizing
construc-
tion.

SECTION 1. That in all cases where the county commissioners of any county in the State of Minnesota have between Jan. 1st, 1903, and Jan. 1st, 1905, pursuant to chapter 15 of the General Statutes of 1894 and the amendments thereto, erected, constructed and completed a poor house for the use of the county, and which building is used by the county for the purpose for which it was erected, the cost thereof exceeding the sum that could have been raised for that purpose by taxation against the real and personal property of said county for the year in which the contract or contracts for the erection, construction and completion thereof was entered into, or for the year in which the building was erected, without first having submitted to the electors of said county the proposition of voting upon the question of erecting a poor house, or upon the question of bonding the county for the purpose of raising the necessary funds with which to erect, construct and complete a poor house, and for the erection, construction and completion of which warrants or orders have been drawn upon the county treasurer of such county for the entire or any part of the cost of erecting, constructing and completing said poor house, that the action of the board of county commissioners in making and letting the contract or contracts for the erection, construction and completion of