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CHAPTER 197.

An act appropriating six hundred and forty-five dol- \$645.60 aplars and sixty cents (\$645.60) to reimburse Hon. E. S. for E. S. Hall. Hall, contestee, for attorney's fees and expenses in the legislative contest from the 45th legislative district; Joseph H. Coates contestant against E. S. Hall.

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

SECTION 1. That the sum of six hundred and fortyfive dollars and sixty cents (\$645.60) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, applicable for that purpose, to reimburse Hon. E. S. Hall, member from the 45th legislative district, contestee in the legislative contest wherein Joseph H. Coates was contestant and Hon. E. S. Hall was contestee. And the state auditor is hereby authorized to draw a warrant on the state treasurer in favor of said Hon. E. S. Hall for the said sum of six hundred and forty-five dollars and sixty cents (\$645.60).

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 21, 1897.

CHAPTER 198.

An act to amend section 35, chapter 36 of the gener-Common school dists. al statutes 1878, being section 3701, general statutes of 1894, relating to common school districts and providing for annual reports of school treasurers.

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

SECTION 1. That section thirty-five (35), chapter thirty-six (36) of the general statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), being section three thousand seven hundred and one (3701), general statutes of eighteen hundred and ninety-four (1894), be amended so as to read as follows:

"The treasurer shall present and file with the clerk of Annual every common school district three (3) days before each treasurer. annual meeting a report in writing signed by him and containing a statement of all moneys received by him within the year preceding and of all his disbursements,

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exhibiting vouchers therefor, also the amount received by him of taxes assessed upon the taxable property of the district within the year, purposes for which they were assessed, the amount assessed for each purpose, which report shall be recorded by the clerk, and if it appears that there is any balance in the hands of the treasurer, he shall pay such balance to his successor in office as soon as he executes the bond required as a condition for holding the office of treasurer, and his sureties justifies on said bond. The director and clerk shall examine said report, and if correct they shall endorse the same, and when said report is so approved and endorsed the voters at the annual meeting may authorize the clerk to issue an order in favor of said treasurer to an amount not exceeding two (2) per cent. on all orders issued by the clerk and signed by the director and paid by him during the past school year. Whenever any school district is united to another school district, the treasurer shall upon demand pay over to the treasurer of the consolidated school district all moneys in his hands.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved April 21, 1897.

CHAPTER 199.

An act to lay out, alter and discontinue county roads, and to provide for an appeal from the decisions of county commissioners and township supervisors, in laying out, altering or refusing to lay out or alter, county or town roads.

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

Petition by freeholders. SECTION 1. If twenty-four freeholders of any county containing one hundred or morelegal voters, and twelve freeholders of any county containing less than one hundred legal voters, petition the board of county commissioners of such county for the location, establishment, change or vacation of any highway or cartway running into more than one town, or on the line between two towns of said county, or along the shore of any lake situated wholly or partly within said county, and such highway or cartway not being within the limits of

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