

may by resolution determine, not less than five (5) or more than twenty (20) years from the date of issue of said bonds respectively.

Description of bonds.

SEC. 3. The bonds and 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 the 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.

Tax levy to meet interest and principal.

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 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 apply to unorganized counties as well as to organized counties.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1897.

S. F. No. 520.

CHAPTER 273.

Authorizing compensation for clerk hire for county treasurers and auditors.

An act to amend section one (1) of chapter two hundred and eighty-eight (288), general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895), authorizing boards of county commissioners in certain cases to allow county treasurers and auditors compensation for clerk hire.

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

SECTION 1. That section one of chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety five (1895) be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

That in all counties whose treasurers and auditors are allowed no compensation for clerk hire and have no deputy allowed by law, and who receive salaries under special laws not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000) each per annum, the board of county commissioners are hereby authorized, if in their judgment clerk help is necessary or proper, to allow to each of such officers as compensation for clerk hire, annually, a sum not exceeding three hundred (300) dollars.

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 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 23, 1897.

CHAPTER 274.

S. F. No. 543.

An act to perfect the record evidence of title to certain lands.

Perfecting record of evidence of title to certain lands.

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

SECTION 1. That whenever, under any law heretofore existing, any deeds, mortgages, trust deeds, foreclosure proceedings or any other instruments affecting the title to any lands in this state heretofore owned by any railroad company have been recorded in the office of the secretary of state, but not in the county in which such lands are situated, it shall be the duty of the secretary of state upon the application of the county commissioners of any county in which any portion of the lands affected by any such instrument may be situated, or of any person interested, to prepare and furnish to the register of deeds of such county certified copies of the record of each and all of such deeds, mortgages, trust deeds, foreclosure proceedings or any other instruments in any manner affecting the title to any land in such county; and the register of deeds shall index and record the same in the same manner as original deeds and mortgages are indexed and recorded. And such certified copies, and the record thereof, and certified copies of such record, shall have the same force and effect as the record of the original instruments.

When recorded in office of sec'y of state and not in county.

SEC. 2. For all services performed under this act the secretary of state shall receive no fee; but registers of deeds shall receive the same fees as they are by law allowed for other similar services, to be audited and al-

Fees for making record.