

lowed by the state auditor, upon the presentation to him of itemized and verified bills, and paid by the state treasurer upon the warrant of the state auditor.

\$200 appropriated.

SEC. 3. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, belonging to the general fund, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200), or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry this act into effect.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 23, 1897.

S. F. No. 578.

### CHAPTER 275.

Authorizing city councils to establish and maintain uniform heights of water in navigable lakes.

*An act to authorize city councils to establish and maintain uniform heights of water in the navigable lakes of this state, in order to improve navigation therein or to promote the public health and welfare.*

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

SECTION 1. The city council of any city in this state in which all or a part of any navigable lake is situated is hereby authorized and empowered, in order to improve the navigation in such lake or to promote the public health or welfare, to establish, as herein provided, a uniform height at which the water in such lake shall be maintained, and to raise said water to and to maintain it at said height as nearly as practicable.

May acquire dams and lands, and construct dams.

SEC. 2. To carry out the purposes of this act such council is hereby authorized to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation, any dam or dams on any streams affecting the level of the water in such lake, and also any land that such council shall deem necessary along, on or near the shores of any such lake or any such stream, and to construct and maintain on such land or across any such stream such dam or dams as may be necessary for the purpose of maintaining such water at such height, and also to acquire any necessary land for approaches from any highway to any such dam or dams that such council may acquire or construct, and acquire all such flowage and other rights and all such property as such council shall deem necessary, and to do any and all things necessary to maintain the water in such lake as nearly as practicable at the height established, as herein provided, and to carry into full effect the purposes of this act.

SEC. 3. Such council shall in every instance and in all particulars, in order to carry out the full purposes of this act, proceed in like manner as shall county commissioners as provided by law in an "act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of uniform heights of water in the navigable lakes of this state, in order to improve navigation therein, or to promote the public health or welfare, and to that end to provide for acquiring and condemning property and doing all such other acts as may be necessary, which act shall apply and govern in all cases under this act.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1897.

### CHAPTER 276.

S. F. No. 858.

*An act to reimburse the boards of education of school districts for moneys expended in providing elementary normal instruction in partial compliance with the provisions of chapter one hundred eighty-six (186) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895).*

To reimburse boards of education for money expended in normal instruction.

Whereas, Certain boards of education of school districts in this state carried out the provisions of chapter one hundred eighty-six of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895), relating to elementary normal instruction in high schools, except as to the number of pupils in the teachers' training school, and expended in good faith the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) each in normal instruction; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That in all cases where any board of education in any school district in this state has heretofore complied with all the provisions of chapter one hundred eighty-six (186) of the general laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (1895) relative to elementary normal instruction, except as to the number of pupils in the teachers' training school, the state auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to draw his warrant upon the state treasurer in favor of the treasurers of such school districts for the sum of five hundred dollars each, payable out of the unexpended balance of the appropriation provided for in said chap-