

SEC. 3. Any railroad company which shall fail to erect and maintain any platform ordered to be erected by the railroad and warehouse commission within the time provided in the order of such commission, shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five (25) dollars for each and every day the said platform remains unconstructed after the expiration of the time fixed by order of the said commission for its construction, said penalty to be recovered by an action brought by the attorney general in the name of the state, and all money collected as penalties under the provisions of this act, shall be paid to the state treasurer and credited to the general fund.

Failure of
railway com-
pany to com-
ply; penalty.

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

Approved April 14, 1899.

CHAPTER 223.

H. F. No. 568.

An act to authorize and empower villages under certain circumstances to issue bonds for the payment of their outstanding indebtedness.

Village bonds.

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

SECTION 1. That any village in this state, whose indebtedness at the time of the passage and approval of this act exceeds the sum of three thousand (3,000) dollars besides its bonded indebtedness, may issue its bonds for an amount as nearly as may be equal to the amount of such indebtedness, which bonds shall bear interest at a rate to be determined by the village council of said village, not to exceed the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall mature at such time as shall be determined by said village council, not to exceed fifteen years from the date of their issuance. Such bonds shall be sold by the village council of such village in such manner as they shall deem advisable, but shall not be sold for less than their par value, and the proceeds arising from the sale thereof shall be applied to the payment of the debts of said village not represented by its bonds.

Empowered
to issue bonds
to pay existing
indebtedness.

Bonds to bear
interest not
exceeding 7
per cent.

SEC. 2. Before any bonds shall be issued pursuant to the provisions of section one (1) of this act, the village council shall, by resolution, authorize the issuance thereof, subject to the approval of the legal voters of said

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village, and by such resolution such village council shall determine the amount of bonds to be issued, the rate of interest which they shall bear and the time of their maturity, and shall fix a time, either at an annual village election or a special election to be called for that purpose, when the voters of said village shall vote upon the question of the issuance of said bonds, and at the time so fixed by such village council the legal voters of such village shall vote upon the question of the issuance of such bonds. The form of the ballot therefor shall be as follows:

Form and contents of ballots.

	Yes.	No.
<p>“Said village of issue its bonds in the sum of dollars, bearing interest at the rate of per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing years after the date thereof, pursuant to a resolution of the village council of said village, passed on the day of, 189..”</p>		

Manner of voting.

Voters who desire to vote for the issuance of such bonds shall place a cross opposite the word “Yes” on said ballot, and those who desire to vote against the issuance of such bonds shall place a cross opposite the word “No” on said ballot. If a majority of the voters who vote upon said question shall vote for the issuance of such bonds, then the same shall be issued, otherwise they shall not be issued.

Right to issue not affected by previous bonded indebtedness.

SEC. 3. The right to issue such bonds shall not be affected by the amount of the bonded indebtedness of such village at the time of the issuance thereof pursuant to this act.

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

Approved April 14, 1899.

H. F. No. 473.

• CHAPTER 224.

Villages; uniform taxation.

An act to provide a uniform rate of taxation in all the villages of this state, and repealing all acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

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