

Printing to
be done
within state.

Fifth. That the printing and publishing of the said reports shall all be done within the State of Minnesota.

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

Approved April 3, 1903.

H. F. No. 468.

CHAPTER 130.

Purchase of
land for
parks.

An act to authorize cities containing a population of ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants or less to issue bonds for the purchase of lands for park purposes along and adjacent to the shores of any artificial lake within such city.

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

Cities of
10,000 or less
may issue
bonds, for
acquisition
of land for
parks.

SECTION 1. That any city in this state containing a population of ten thousand (10,000) inhabitants or less is hereby authorized to issue its negotiable bonds for the purpose of acquiring or purchasing lands for park purposes along and adjacent to the shores of any artificial lake within such city.

Procedure.

SEC. 2. Whenever the city council or other similar body of any such city in this state shall determine, by resolution, duly passed and recorded, to raise the amount of money stated in such resolution, for the purpose of purchasing land for park purposes along and adjacent to the shores of any artificial lake within such city, said resolution to describe definitely said lands to be purchased; or when a petition addressed to any city council or similar body of any such city, and signed by at least thirty (30) of the voters and freeholders residing in any such city, setting forth in such petition that it is the desire of such petitioners that the said city shall purchase land for park purposes along and adjacent to the shores of any artificial lake within such city, the cost whereof shall not exceed the amount described in such petition, which said lands to be purchased shall be described definitely in said petition. It shall be the duty of such city council or similar body to cause the proposition expressed in such resolution or petition to be submitted to the electors of such city at the next annual city election to be held therein, or at such special election as the said city

Submission
to voters.

council or other similar body shall by resolution designate.

SEC. 3. There shall be provided by such city, in case of such election, a suitable box in which all ballots cast at such election shall be deposited. There shall be printed in such ballots in apt terms the substance of such proposition, following which shall be printed in appropriate manner the words "yes" and "no" on two separate lines, and every person desiring to vote in favor of such proposition shall make his cross mark thus, X, opposite the word "yes," and every person desiring to vote against such proposition shall make such mark opposite the word "no." The said election shall be conducted and the votes cast thereat shall be canvassed and counted, and the result thereof certified in like manner as in the case of an election for city officers of such city.

Election, how conducted.

SEC. 4. If a majority of the votes cast at such election be in favor of such proposition, the said city council or other similar body may issue and negotiate the bonds of such city to the amount necessary for the purchase of such land, *provided* that such bonds shall not be negotiated or sold for less than par value. *Provided*, that no such city shall be authorized to issue or sell its bonds to an amount so that the aggregate bonded indebtedness thereof shall at any one time exceed fifteen (15) per cent of the assessed valuation of the taxable property of such city, as indicated by the last preceding assessment of such property. *Provided further*, that all such bonds shall be due and payable in not more than twenty (20) years from date of issue of said bonds, and which said bonds shall not bear to exceed five (5) per cent annual interest.

Proposition carried, council may issue bonds.

Limitation of indebtedness.

SEC. 5. Before any such city shall be authorized to issue its bonds, as hereinbefore provided, the city council or any other similar body thereof shall give notice by publication, for two (2) consecutive weeks in at least one weekly or daily newspaper printed in said county, if any be printed and published therein, and by a similar publication for the same length of time in a weekly or daily newspaper printed at the capital of the state, all of which said newspapers shall be designated therefor by the resolution of such city council or other similar body; that said city council or other similar body will receive

Notice by publication given, before issue of bonds.

bids for the sale of such bonds at the time and place to be named in such notice.

Sale of
bonds.

SEC. 6. At the time and place the said city council, or other similar body, shall open and consider the said bids, and may thereupon award the sale of such bonds to the person, company or corporation offering to negotiate the same upon terms the most advantageous for the interests of such city; *provided*, that the said city council, or other similar body, may reject any and all bids offered for the purchase of such bonds, if they deem the welfare of the said city to require it.

Disposition
of money
realized by
sale.

SEC. 7. The moneys realized from the sale of such bonds shall be placed in the city treasury and devoted so far as may be necessary to the purpose named in such resolution of petition, and the residue thereof, if any, shall be paid into the general city fund.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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H. F. No. 172.

CHAPTER 131.

Inspection
of steam ves-
sels and
boilers.

An act to amend sections four hundred and eighty (480) and four hundred and ninety-four (494) of General Statutes of 1894, as amended by chapter 91 of the General Laws of 1899, relating to inspection of steam vessels and steam boilers.

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

SECTION 1. That section four hundred and eighty (480) of General Statutes 1894, as amended by chapter ninety-one (91) of the General Laws of Minnesota for eighteen hundred and ninety-nine (1899), be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows, to wit:

Governor
to appoint
one inspector
in each sen-
atorial dist.

Section 480. Within sixty (60) days after the passage of this act, and biennially thereafter, there shall be appointed by the governor a board of fifty-three (53) inspectors, one (1) of whom shall reside in each senatorial district, except as hereinafter provided, whose duty it shall be to inspect all steam boilers in use within the state, not subject to inspection under the laws of the United States and not hereinafter excepted, and to examine