

## CHAPTER 133.

H. F. No. 658.

*An act to authorize the board of county commissioners of the several counties of the State of Minnesota to issue bonds to pay for building a court house, in any of said counties, now in the course of construction, and for which contracts have been entered into by said board of county commissioners of said counties.*

Authorizing county commissioners to issue bonds for building court house in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of the several counties of the State of Minnesota which have entered into a contract for building and constructing a court house, by which any obligation has been created prior to the passage of this act, and have expended at least \$7,000.00 towards building a court house for the use of such county, are hereby authorized and empowered to issue at any time prior to the first day of September, 1903, the bonds of said counties for an amount not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars, with interest coupons attached, for the purpose of paying such obligation and indebtedness of said county, which bonds and the proceeds thereof shall be used for no other purpose than that of completing the building of such court house.

SEC. 2. The said bonds shall be in such sums as the board of county commissioners shall determine, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable annually.

The principal shall become due and payable at such time or times as the said board of county commissioners may by resolution determine, not less than five (5) or more than twenty (20) years from the date of the issuance of said bonds, respectively.

SEC. 3. The bonds and the 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 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.

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 to 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 commisssioners 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, except counties having a population of more than 100,000 people.

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

Approved April 6, 1903.

H. F. No. 42.

#### CHAPTER 134.

Purchase of  
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estry purposes.

*An act to enable the Minnesota state forestry board to purchase land for forestry purposes.*

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

SECTION 1. The Minnesota state forestry board is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase for the state at not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per acre and preferably at the sources of rivers any land in this state that is adapted for forestry but not to exceed in any one congressional township, one-eighth part of the area of such township, and to take such steps as are necessary to maintain forest thereon according to forestry principles. One-quarter part of the net forest revenue from such lands shall always be paid to the respective towns in which the lands are situated. No money shall be paid by the state for any such land until the attorney general shall certify that the deed thereof conveys a clear title in the state.

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

Approved April 8, 1903.