

vided, that in all investments made upon mortgaged securities the evidence of the debt shall accompany the mortgage or deeds of trust.

Evidence of debt to accompany deeds.

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

Approved April 8, 1903.

CHAPTER 143.

H. F. No. 473

An act to amend section eight (8), chapter one hundred and forty-three (143) of the General Laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the creation and organization of new counties and the government of the same."

New counties.

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

SECTION 1. That section eight (8) of chapter one hundred and forty-three (143) of the General Laws of 1893, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 8. All such return of votes on any such proposition shall be canvassed by the state canvassing board at the same time that they canvass the votes for state, congressional or other officers cast at the same election; and such canvassing board shall make and file with the secretary of state their separate certificate declaring the result of the vote in each case and upon each and every proposition to create any new county or counties. In case all such returns have not been received from the proper county canvassing board, the state canvassing board may use the returns received from the judges of election of the election district of the county which has not reported; but the proper county officers may notwithstanding be compelled to make return as herein required. Upon the making and filing of any such certificate to the effect that any such proposition has received a majority of the votes cast at such election in each county, on all questions relating to a change of said county boundaries, to be affected thereby it shall be the duty of the governor to, within ten days thereafter, issue his proclamation announcing that such proposition has received a majority of the votes and declaring such proposition adopted, and the secretary of state shall cause such proclamation to be published for three successive

Canvass of votes.

May use returns received.

Compelled to make returns.

Duty of the governor.

Issue proclamation.

Must be
published.

weeks in all of the legal newspapers in the county or counties affected, having a general circulation, and transmit a certified copy thereof to the county auditor of the county or counties out of which said new county has been created, who shall cause the same to be published three weeks in the official paper of the county, and to each of the persons elected as county commissioners in such new county. The secretary of state shall also file and record in his office in said book of such records the certificate of the state canvassing board stating that such proposition received a majority of the votes cast, together with the proclamation of the governor declaring the same to have been adopted; and a duly certified copy of this proclamation shall in all cases be received as full evidence of the legal and valid organization and existence of such county.

Majority of
the votes.

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

Approved April 8, 1903.

H. F. No. 320.

CHAPTER 144.

To make
contracts.

An act entitled "An act authorizing any city of this state, now or hereafter having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants, to make contracts for the purchase of a supply of electric power or of gas, or both, for operating an electric or gas lighting or heating plant or system, or both such plants or systems, owned by such city."

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

Population of
over 50,000.

SECTION 1. That any city of this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants, and at the same time owning an electric or gas lighting or heating plant or system shall be authorized and empowered to enter into a contract or contracts for the purchase by such city of electricity or gas for the purpose of operating such electric or gas lighting or heating plant or system owned by such city, or for operating both such plants or systems, upon such terms as may be approved by a three-fourths vote of all of the members-elect of the governing body thereof; *provided*, that such city shall not be authorized to agree by such contract for the payment of a higher price than the lowest price charged at the time by the person or corporation with

Electric or
gas lighting.