

whom such contract is made, for a like amount of electric power or gas furnished to any other person or corporation under similar circumstances; and *provided further*, that such contract shall not be made to run for a period exceeding ten years.

Not to exceed ten years.

SEC. 2. The obligation incurred by any such city in the making of such contract shall not be considered as a part of its indebtedness under the provisions of its governing charter or of any law of this state fixing a limit of indebtedness for such city; nor shall such city be required at any time before making or during the life of such contract, to provide for or have on hand in its treasury more money applicable to such contract than the amount to be paid thereon during a single year.

Part of its indebtedness.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 6, 1903.

CHAPTER 145.

H. F. No. 556.

An act to amend chapter sixty-six (66) of the General Laws of 1901 of the State of Minnesota entitled: "An act authorizing the board of regents of the University of Minnesota as a body corporate under the name of the University of Minnesota to accept in trust or otherwise all kinds of property for educational purposes and to hold, manage, invest and dispose of the same."

Board of regents.

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

SECTION 1. That chapter sixty-six (66) of the General Laws of 1901 of the State of Minnesota be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. The board of regents of the University of Minnesota, as a body corporate, under the name University of Minnesota, is hereby expressly authorized and empowered to accept, in trust or otherwise, any gift, grant, bequest or devise of property, real, personal or mixed, for educational purposes, and to hold, manage, invest and dispose of the same and the proceeds thereof and the income therefrom, in accordance with the terms and conditions of such gift, grant, bequest or devise, and of the acceptance thereof, any law of the State of Minnesota to the contrary notwithstanding.

Authorized to accept trusts, gifts, etc.

State treasurer to have custody of funds.

SEC. 3. Whenever it is provided by the terms of any deed, will or other instrument heretofore made or which may hereafter be made conveying any property to said University of Minnesota in trust or otherwise that the state treasurer shall have the custody of the money, securities or other property given, granted or bequeathed, it shall be the duty of said treasurer to receive such money, securities or other property and to preserve and care for the same as state funds in his custody are preserved and cared for, and said money, securities or other property shall be fully protected and secured by the bond of such treasurer in like manner as state funds are protected and secured.

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

Approved April 8, 1903.

H. F. No. 537.

CHAPTER 146.

Tunnels under railroads.

An act to authorize owners of land over which a public highway runs leaving the owner's land on two sides of the highway, to construct a tunnel under the roadway to permit stock to freely pass through the tunnel from one side to the other.

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

Right to tunnel.

Must be protected.

SECTION 1. Any owner of land in the State of Minnesota, over which public highways are laid out or run, when the land on both sides of the road belongs to the same party, shall have the right to tunnel under the highway to permit stock to freely pass under the highway from one side to the other; *provided, however,* the tunnel shall be, by the owner, protected so as not to endanger the public in the use of the highway, and for said purpose the tunnel may be fenced and shall be bridged, and in all cases the bridge shall be at least sixteen feet wide, and the sides thereof provided with railings at the expense of the land owner.

Permission from town supervisors.

SEC. 2. Before constructing any tunnel across a highway for purposes set forth in section one (1) hereof, the land owner shall obtain from the town supervisors of the town in which the land is situated, an approval of the place at which the tunnel is proposed to be con-