H. F. No. 765.

CHAPTER 208.

Villages.

An act to amend sections twelve hundred (1200) and twelve hundred and one (1201) of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota of eighteen hundred ninety-four (1894), relating to the incorporation of certain villages.

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

Section 1. That section twelve hundred (1200) of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota of eighteen hundred ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Incorporations in certain cases, Section 1200. Any district, sections, or parts of sections, not in any incorporated village, and in the State of Minnesota, which has been platted into lots and blocks, also the lands adjacent thereto, when said plat has been duly and legally certified according to the laws of this state, and filed in the office of the register of deeds for the county in which said lands or the larger portion there-of lie, said territory containing a resident population of not less than one hundred and forty, may become incorporated as a village under this act in the following manner:

SEC. 2. That section twelve hundred one (1201) of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota of eighteen hundred ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Petition county commissioners to call election.

Twenty-five or more of the electors Section 1201. then residents upon the lands so to be incorporated, may petition the county commissioners of the county in which the whole or larger part of said lands are situated, to appoint a time and place when and where the electors actually residing upon said lands may vote for or against such incorporation, and such petition shall set forth the boundaries of such territory, with their courses and distances, the quantity of land therein embraced, the name of such proposed village, and the number of persons actually residing in said territory, which shall have been duly ascertained by said petitioners, or under their direction, by a census taken of the resident population as it may be on some day not more than eight weeks previous to the time when said petition is presented to said commissioners, and said petition shall be verified by at least

three of said petitioners, to the effect that such census has been accurately taken, and that all the facts in said petition contained are true.

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

Approved April 14, 1903.

CHAPTER 209.

H. F. No. 706.

An act extending the time within which a board of fif- Cities. teen freeholders heretofore appointed under the provisions of chapter 351 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1899 may prepare, frame and return a draft for a proposed charter of an incorporated city.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minne-

Section I. Wherever a board of fifteen freeholders Extending has been heretofore appointed to frame a charter for any which incorporated city in this state under the provisions of proposed chapter 351 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1899 charter may be and the several acts amendatory thereof, and such board returned has failed to return to the chief magistrate of such city a draft of such proposed charter within six months after its appointment, such board may at any time within one year from and after the passage of this act prepare, frame and return in manner as provided in said chapter 351 a draft of such proposed charter; and the same and all of the proceedings of said board relative thereto shall for all purposes be valid and of the same force as though the said draft had been prepared, framed and reported within six months after the appointment of said board.

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

Approved April 14, 1903.

CHAPTER 210.

H. F. No. 682.

An act to authorize county commissioners to grant ad- County ditional salary to county auditors in certain cases.

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

Section 1. That in counties having a population of not less than twenty-eight thousand (28,000) inhabitants

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