

S. F. No. 71.

## CHAPTER 33.

Public  
libraries  
and reading  
rooms.

*An act to amend section one thousand four hundred and twenty-five (1425) of the General Statutes 1894, relating to public libraries and reading rooms.*

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

SECTION 1. The section one thousand four hundred and twenty-five of the General Statutes 1894, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "one mill" where they occur in the fourth (4th) line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two mills."

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

Approved March 6, 1903.

H. F. No. 32.

## CHAPTER 34.

Local im-  
provements  
in cities of  
over 50,000.

*An act to authorize and empower the city council and common council of cities of this state of over 50,000 inhabitants to issue and sell municipal bonds and to use the proceeds thereof for defraying the cost of making certain local improvements in intersections of streets and in front of property exempt by law from special assessments.*

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

City or  
common  
council may  
issue bonds  
not to  
exceed  
\$150,000,  
not to  
run more  
than ten  
years.

SECTION 1. The city council or common council of each and every city in this state now or hereafter having over 50,000 inhabitants, in addition to all the rights and powers heretofore granted thereto by law, is hereby authorized and empowered, for the purposes herein designated, to issue from time to time as needed the negotiable bonds of their respective city to an amount in the aggregate not to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), said bonds to be made in such denominations and payable at such places and at such times not to exceed ten years from the date thereof as may be deemed best, and to bear interest at a rate not to exceed three and one-half ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and to have interest coupons attached, payable at such place or places as shall be designated there-

in, and said city council or common council, as the case may be, is further authorized to negotiate and sell such bonds from time to time to the highest bidder or bidders therefor and upon the best terms that can be obtained for said bonds. *Provided*, that no such bonds shall be sold for a less amount than the par value thereof and accrued interest thereon; and, *provided further*, that said bonds shall not be issued until the issuance thereof is authorized by a resolution or ordinance duly passed by a five-sixths vote of all the members of the city council or common council proposing to issue the same; and no bonds shall be issued under the provisions of this act after the expiration of six months from the date of its passage.

Not less  
than par.

Authorized  
by resolution,  
5-6 vote.

Not after  
Sept. 6, 1903.

SEC. 2. Nothing herein contained shall authorize the issue at any time of the bonds of any such city to such an amount that the whole amount of the principal of the bonds actually issued by such city and still outstanding, including water and light bonds together with the proposed issue, less the amount of the bonds of such city which shall be in and constitute a part of the sinking fund of such city for the payment of bonds, shall exceed 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of the non-exempt taxable property of such city as shown by the last preceeding assessment.

Not to  
exceed 10  
per cent of  
assessed  
valuation,  
exception.

SEC. 3. All bonds issued under authority of this act shall be sealed by the seal of the city issuing them and signed by the mayor and attested by the clerk or recorder and countersigned by the city controller, if such officer exists in such city. The proceeds of any and all bonds issued and sold under authority of this act shall be placed in the city treasury of the city issuing the same and shall constitute a special fund and shall be kept distinct from all other funds of the city and shall be used only for the purposes of paying for the cost of paving, repaving or macadamizing in street intersections, and the cost of constructing curb and gutter in street intersections, and also the cost of laying or relaying of sewer pipes in the intersections of streets, and the cost of paving, repaving or macadamizing in front of property exempt by law from special assessments, and the cost of constructing curb and gutter in front of property exempt by law from special assessments, and also the cost of laying, relaying or extending sewer pipes in front of property exempt by law

How  
issued.

Special  
fund.

Used only  
for special  
purpose.

from special assessments, and also for the increased cost of sewers which are larger than two feet in diameter; and the proceeds of said bonds or any thereof shall not be used for any other purpose than those hereinbefore specified.

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

Approved March 6, 1903.

H. F. No. 207.

## CHAPTER 35.

Bridge  
across Root  
river in  
Houston  
county.

*An act to amend section thirty-one (31) of chapter three hundred and nine (309) of the laws of 1901, relating to the appropriation for building a bridge across Root river, in the township of Mound Prairie, Houston county, Minnesota.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota

SECTION 1. That section 31 of chapter 309 of the laws of 1901 be amended to read as follows:

\$500.

That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury belonging to the internal improvement fund, or out of the first moneys which shall come into the state treasury belonging to said fund, not otherwise appropriated to aid in repairing or rebuilding, as the case may be, a bridge over Root river, in the township of Mound Prairie, Houston county, Minnesota, at a point in section thirty-one (31), township one hundred and four (104), range five (5), Houston county, Minnesota.

Direction  
of town  
supervisors.

That said sum shall be expended under the direction of the supervisors of Mound Prairie township, and when said work is completed said supervisors shall certify the fact to the state auditor, who shall draw his warrant upon the state treasurer, for said amount in favor of said town.

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

Approved March 6, 1903.