

CHAPTER 287—H. F. No. 628.

An Act to authorize any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of acquiring sites and construction of new fire engine houses and acquiring new equipment for its fire department.

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

\$100,000 bonds authorized for sites and fire engine houses.—Section 1. Any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants is hereby authorized and empowered, acting by and through the common council or city council of such city, by ordinance duly enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than three-fourths of all members elect of such common council or city council, to issue and sell not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) par value in and of the bonds of such city for the purpose of acquiring sites therefor and for the construction and equipment of new fire engine houses and for acquiring additional equipment for the fire department of such city.

How issued.—Sec. 2. The bonds authorized by section one (1) of this act, or any portion thereof, may be issued and sold by any such city, notwithstanding any limitation contained in the charter of such city or in any law of this state prescribing or fixing any limit upon the bonded indebtedness of such city, but the full faith and credit of any such city shall at all times be pledged for the payment of any bonds issued hereunder, and for the current interest thereon, and the common council or city council of such city shall each year include in the tax levy for such city a sufficient amount to provide for the payment of such interest as it accrues and for the accumulation of a sinking fund for the redemption of such bonds at their maturity.

To run not longer than 30 years at 4%.—Sec. 3. No bonds shall be issued by any such city, under this act, for the purposes hereinbefore named to run for a longer term than thirty years, or bearing a higher rate of interest than 4 per cent per annum, but the place of payment of the principal and interest thereof and the form and denominations in which the same shall be issued shall be such as may be determined by the common council or city council, and the same may be in the form of coupon bonds or registered certificates, so-called; all such bonds shall be signed by the mayor, attested

by the city clerk and countersigned by the city comptroller, and shall be sealed with the seal of such city, except that the signatures to the coupons attached to such bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon, and none of such bonds shall be sold for less than their par value and accrued interest, and then only to the highest responsible bidder therefor.

Sec. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 288—H. F. No. 642.

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An Act creating and establishing a hospital farm for inebriates, and authorizing the state board of control to purchase lands therefor, and to provide means for the building and maintenance of such institution.

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

Hospital for inebriates.—Section 1. There is hereby created and established a hospital farm for inebriates, and for that purpose the state board of control is hereby directed to select and acquire by purchase or otherwise a suitable tract of land not to exceed six hundred and forty (640) acres, upon which shall be erected suitable buildings for said hospital, and to properly equip the same, and to appoint a superintendent who shall be a duly licensed physician, and to fix the compensation for his services.

Inebriate defined.—Sec. 2. The term “inebriate,” as used in this chapter, includes every species of chronic inebriety, whether caused by the excessive use of intoxicating liquors, morphine, opium, cocaine, chloral, or other narcotics.

Governor to issue proclamation.—Sec. 3. Upon the completion and equipment of said buildings and the appointment of the superintendent the board of control shall report such facts to the governor, who shall forthwith issue a proclamation giving public notice that the said hospital for inebriates is prepared to receive patients, a copy of which