

CHAPTER 294—H. F. No. 1097.

An Act to legalize the separation of townships from villages or cities organized under a general or special law under chapter 52 of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota of 1897.

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

Certain separation acts legalized.—Section 1. That in all cases where there has been heretofore an attempted separation from a village or city under the provisions of chapter 52 of the General Laws of 1897, whether such city or village was organized under a general or special law, where the petition for the separation was signed by at least twenty (20) electors of the township and filed with the town clerk and notices thereof were duly given for the annual election of the township, and a majority of the votes cast were in favor of the separation of the township from the village or city, but the legality of such action is questioned on the ground that the word town is not inserted in the title of said chapter 52, and on the further ground that said law does not include cities organized under special act, each and every such case is hereby legalized and declared valid, effectual separation for all purposes. *Provided*, that nothing in this act shall affect or apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any court of this state.

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

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 295—S. F. No. 491.

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An Act to amend chapter two hundred and six (206), section one (1) of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota of the year one thousand nine hundred and five (1905), entitled "An act to regulate the hiring and employment of deputies, clerks and assistants in the offices of county auditors in all counties in the State of Minnesota having or which may hereafter have a population in each of not less than 150,000 inhabitants, and to fix the salaries that shall be paid to the county auditors and certain of their deputies, clerks and assistants in such counties."

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

Deputies and salaries.—Section 1. That section one (1) of chapter two hundred and six (206) of the General Laws of

the State of Minnesota of the year one thousand nine hundred and five (1905) be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows :

“Section 1. That in all counties in this state that now have or may hereafter have, according to the last completed state or national census, a population in each of not less than one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) inhabitants, the salary of the county auditor shall be and is hereby fixed as at the rate of four thousand five hundred dollars per annum, and in all such counties the auditor shall appoint and employ one chief deputy who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum; one deputy and commissioner's clerk, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars per annum; one deputy and book-keeper who shall be paid at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars per annum; one chief clerk and draughtsman, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum; one deputy and one settlement clerk, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum each; three counter deputies, who shall be paid at the rates of one thousand one hundred dollars per annum each; five general clerks, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum each; which above named salaries shall be payable out of the county treasury in equal monthly installments except as hereinafter provided.

Provided, that any such county auditor shall have authority to command and employ, without additional compensation to that of such deputy or other employe's usual compensation and when, and as often and to such extent as said county auditor may deem proper, the services of any deputy or other employe in said county auditor's office for any work of said office, whether or not such work be the usual work of such deputy or other employe, or be partly or wholly the usual or proper function of some other deputy or employe.

And *provided, further*, that any such county auditor may, during any year, at his discretion and as often and for as long as he sees fit, reduce the number of said five general clerks, and that the salary amounts which may be so saved, together with whatever has been saved, during such year through necessary vacancies among the other deputies, clerks and assistants of said county auditor's office, may to any extent needful in said county auditor's judgment, be used in the

same year by him in hiring extra clerks at the same rate of pay respectively as each of said general clerks, for any of the regular work of his office when the same is greater or more hurried than is common throughout the year."

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

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 296—H. F. No. 380.

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An Act relating to the salary and compensation of county commissioners in counties of not less than 35,000, nor more than 75,000 inhabitants.

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

Salary and mileage.—Section 1. County commissioners in counties of not less than thirty-five thousand (35,000) or more than seventy-five thousand (75,000) inhabitants shall receive three dollars (\$3) per day for each and every day necessarily occupied in the discharge of their official duties while acting on any committee under the direction of the board, and 10 cents a mile each way for every mile necessarily traveled in attending such committee work.

The commissioners of such counties shall be entitled to mileage of 10 cents per mile each way for every mile necessarily traveled for attending meetings of the board, not to exceed twelve meetings in any one year.

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

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 297—H. F. No. 430.

An Act to amend sub-section No. 784, Revised Laws of 1905, which authorizes counties to issue bonds for certain purposes.

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

Purchase of buildings.—Section 1. That sub-section 2 of section 784 of the Revised Laws of Minnesota for the year