

CHAPTER 124.—H. F. No. 210.

An act to amend Section 502, Revised Laws of 1905, relating to the bonds of County Depositaries.

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

Bond of surety company need not exceed the amount of deposits.—Section 1. That Section 502 of the Revised Laws of 1905, be, and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

Bonds of depositaries—"Every bank or banker, before being designated as a depository, shall deposit with the county treasurer a bond, to be approved by the county board, in at least double the amount to be deposited, payable to such county, and signed by not less than five resident freeholders as sureties: who shall in the aggregate qualify for the full penalty named in such bond. *Provided*, that any county in which there is no such bank or banker may be exempt from the foregoing provisions which relate to depositing its funds, if, in the judgment of the board of auditors and the county board, such deposit would be detrimental to its interests."

Provided that in cases where the bond furnished by said depository is that of a surety company authorized to do business in the state of Minnesota, the amount of such bond need not be more than the amount to be deposited in such depository.

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

Approved March 27, 1909.

CHAPTER 125.—H. F. No. 275.

An act to amend Sections 156 and 252 of Revised Laws 1905, of the State of Minnesota, as amended, relating to election districts and the hours for opening and closing polling places.

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

District to contain not more than 400 male voters.—Section 1. That Section 156 of Revised Laws, 1905, of the state of Minnesota, as amended by Chapter 365, General Laws of Minnesota for 1907, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

156—Election Districts—How constituted and altered—Each town, each village that is separated from the town for election purposes, and each city ward, shall constitute at least one election district.

No district, when first formed, shall contain more than four hundred male voters, *provided*, however, that where two voting machines are used in any election district, the said districts, when so framed shall contain no more than six hundred male voters.

And the council or town board shall so divide, consolidate, and re-arrange the districts from time to time that the number of voters in each shall be substantially equal, and not exceed four hundred.

All such changes shall be made by resolution adopted at least six weeks before the next ensuing election, and sixty days posted notice thereof shall be given before the change shall take effect.

Polls to be kept open until 9 o'clock p. m.—Sec. 2. That Section 252 of Revised Laws, 1905, of the state of Minnesota, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

252. Hours for opening and closing polling places—In towns and villages the polls shall be kept open from 9 o'clock a. m. until 5 o'clock p. m., in cities of the fourth class, from 6 o'clock a. m. until 7 o'clock p. m., and in all other cities from 6 o'clock a. m. until 9 o'clock p. m.

No adjournment or intermission whatever shall be had until the polls are closed, all the votes counted, and the result publicly announced; but this shall not be construed to prevent any temporary recess for taking meals or other necessary purposes, provided, the board remains in session and not more than one member thereof is absent at the same time.

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

Approved March 27, 1909.

CHAPTER 126.—H. F. No. 542.

An act to create an additional judge for the District Court of the Eleventh Judicial District, and to provide for holding terms of said District Court at the City of Virginia, County of St. Louis, in said district, and for adjourning said terms to the Village of Hibbing, in said county, in certain cases.

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

Terms of district court at Virginia, St. Louis county.—Section 1. General terms of the district court for the county of St. Louis are hereby established to be held in the city of Virginia, in said county, on the fourth Tuesday of January, April,