endar No. 713, S. 7472. 60th Congress, 2d Session of the United States.

Duty of secretary of state.—Sec. 4. The state of Minnesota, by the secretary of state, shall file with the secretary of the interior a certified copy of this act prior to July 1, 1909.

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

Approved April 14, 1909.

## CHAPTER 185-H. F. No. 892.

An Act to authorize any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants to issue and sell its bonds for the purpose of constructing bridges across a navigable stream running through said city.

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

\$850,000 bond issue authorized.—Section 1. That any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants, may, by ordinance adopted by its city council, issue and sell bonds of such city of the par value of not to exceed eight hundred and fifty thousand (\$850,000) dollars, for the purpose of constructing within three years from this date, bridges over and across any navigable stream running through such city; the exact location of said bridges to be fixed by the city council of said city, and the bonds provided for in this act may be issued and sold notwithstanding any charter provision of such city, or any law of this state, limiting the amount of indebtedness of any such city.

To be issued prior to Jan. 1, 1912, and at a rate of interest not to exceed 4 per cent—How issued and signed.—Sec. 2. No bonds shall be issued by any such city for the purposes above mentioned after January 1, 1912, or to run for a longer time than thirty years, nor bearing a rate of interest greater than 4 per cent per annum, but the place of payment of the principal and interest thereof and the denominations in which the same shall be issued, shall be such as may be determined upon by the city council, and may be in the form of coupon bonds, or registered certificates, so called.

All such bonds shall, however, be signed by the mayor and attested by the city clerk, and countersigned by the comptroller of such city, and shall be sealed with the seal of the city, except that the signatures to the coupons attached to such bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon, and none of said bonds shall be sold at less than par value and accrued interest, and only to the

highest responsible bidder therefor, upon at least ten days' published notice of invitation for bids therefor.

The full faith and credit of any such city shall be pledged at all times for the payment of all bonds and the interest, issued under this act, and such city shall each year levy sufficient taxes to pay the annual interest on such bonds, and shall provide a sinking fund sufficient to insure the redemption of said bonds at maturity.

This act shall not apply to any city operating under a home rule charter framed pursuant to section thirty-six (36) of article four (4) of the Constitution of Minnesota.

Approved April 14, 1909.

## CHAPTER 186-S. F. No. 575.

An Act to legalize certain contracts made and entered into between April 1st, 1907, and May 1st, 1908, by municipal corporations with officers and members of such municipal corporations for necessary supplies therefor.

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

Certain contracts legalized.—Section 1. In any case, prior to the date of the passage of this act in which any municipal corporation in this state has purchased, received and used necessary supplies and merchandise under a contract made and entered into between April 1st, 1907, and May 1st, 1908, invalid for the reason that the vendor therein was an officer or member of the legislative body of such municipal corporation, and, as such, disqualified to make such contract, said contract is hereby legalized and said municipal corporation may allow and pay such vendor the reasonable value of the supplies and merchandise so purchased, received and used, not exceeding contract price therefor without interest.

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

Approved April 14, 1909.