

charter by and under the provisions of section 36, article 4 of the constitution, and of any statutes enacted in pursuance thereof, is hereby authorized and empowered to frame, submit and adopt a new charter in the same manner and mode as is by law provided for the original adoption of such so-called "home rule" charter.

Amendments authorized.—Sec. 2. Any city named in section one hereof is hereby authorized and empowered to amend its present so-called "home rule" charter in the nature of a revision and submit and adopt such revision as is by law provided for the original adoption of such so-called "home rule" charter.

Not obligatory to report to chief magistrate within six months.—Sec. 3. It shall not be necessary or obligatory for the board of freeholders framing such new charter, or making such revision hereunder, to return the same to the chief magistrate of such city within six months.

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 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 19, 1909.

CHAPTER 237—S. F. No. 44.

An Act to amend section 1653 of the Revised Laws 1905, relating to the keeping and disposition of funds paid by the State of Minnesota, from the two per cent tax on fire insurance premiums, for the relief of sick, injured or disabled members of certain fire departments, their widows and orphans, the support and maintenance of such fire departments and for service pensions to retired members of such fire departments.

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

District court may appoint trustee of funds.—Section 1. That section 1653 of the Revised Laws 1905 be and the same is amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1653. Disposition of such funds—Relief association—Such amount shall be kept as a special fund, and disbursed only for the following purposes:

(1) For the relief of sick, injured, or disabled members of such fire department, their widows and orphans.

(2) For the equipment and maintenance of such department.

But if there shall be a duly incorporated fire department relief association in such municipality, organized with consent of the governing body thereof, such amount shall be paid to the treasurer of said relief association, to be disbursed as herein above prescribed for municipalities, and as hereinafter provided for service pensions.

In case any fire department relief association or any trustee having any of said funds in its hands shall resign its trust in relation thereto, or shall be dissolved or shall have been heretofore or shall be hereafter removed as such trustee, the district court of the proper county may appoint a trustee or trustees of said funds, or cause such trust to be executed by its officers under its direction, or such court may direct that such trust funds be paid to the treasurer of the proper municipality, and all funds so held in trust or so paid to any such treasurer shall be kept as a special fund and disbursed only for the purposes provided in this section.

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

Approved April 19, 1909.

CHAPTER 238—S. F. No. 50.

An Act to legalize, validate, ratify and confirm the election of trustees and members of the school board in common school districts in Minnesota embracing or containing ten or more townships, where the election of such trustees and members of the school board of such district has been held or attempted to be held and such officers elected under and pursuant to section 3678 of the General Statutes of 1894 as amended by chapter 15 of the General Laws of 1899 as amended by chapter 38 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1903 and amendments thereto, or under and pursuant to section 1311 of the Revised Laws of 1905 and amendments thereto, and legalizing, validating, ratifying and confirming the official acts, proceedings, contracts, obligations, payments and disbursements and all other things done and performed by such officers.

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

Election of certain school trustees validated.—Section 1. That whenever, and in all cases where, a common school district in the state of Minnesota, or the electors thereof, at the general biennial state election for the years 1904, 1906 and 1908, have elected or attempted to elect trustees or members of the school