

and in addition to other sums for school purposes authorized by law *the following two additional amounts, first four (4) mills on the dollar, for the purchase of school sites and the erection, repair, furnishing and fitting of school buildings, payment of teachers' salaries and the general maintenance of the schools, which amount to the extent of three and one-half mills only, may be appropriated to general maintenance and the remainder to one or more of such other uses; second, an amount not exceeding one (1) mill for increase of teachers' salaries;* provided that the total levy in any such district for the maintenance of the schools shall not exceed *nine (9) mills on the dollar.*"

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

Approved April 12, 1913.

CHAPTER 271—H. F. No. 1227.

An Act entitled "An Act to authorize the county boards of counties having a population of over one hundred and fifty thousand, and having not less than forty per cent of their area consisting of vacant and uncultivated lands, to appropriate money to be used for the purpose of acquiring sites and erecting buildings thereon for county agricultural fair purposes, and to assist in maintaining annual county fairs."

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

Section 1. **\$2,000 for county fairs in certain counties.**—That in all counties in this state now or hereafter having a population of one hundred fifty thousand, and having not less than forty per cent of their area consisting of vacant and uncultivated lands, the county board may annually appropriate not to exceed two thousand (\$2,000) dollars to assist in the maintaining of a county fair, which fair shall be under the management and control of a county agricultural society. Such appropriation shall be made either to the treasurer of such society or to some other suitable person, but before such money is paid to such treasurer or other person, he shall file with the county auditor a satisfactory bond in double the sum of said appropriation, conditioned upon a faithful disbursing and accounting for all of said funds so appropriated. Said funds so appropriated shall be used solely for the purpose of obtaining, preparing and arranging exhibits and paying premiums to exhibitors. The treasurer or other person to whom said appropriation is paid shall within sixty days after the holding of any such aided annual fair, file with the county auditor his verified and detailed report showing the name and address of every person to whom any of said money was paid, together with the date of payment, and a

full description of the purposes for which the money was so paid, and he shall attach thereto receipts and sub-vouchers for each payment so made, and shall return to the county treasurer all of the unexpended portion thereof. After said report, and receipts, and sub-vouchers have been audited by the county board and found to be correct, they may by resolution release said treasurer or other person, and his sureties, from all further liability under such bond.

Sec. 2. **\$7,500 for suitable site.**—The county board in any such county may also annually appropriate such further sum as it may desire not exceeding \$7,500, for the purpose of procuring a suitable site and the erection of a suitable county building thereon, to be used in connection with such county fair, but said site and said building shall be and remain the property of such county, and such annual appropriation shall be used only for the purpose of so acquiring such site and building, and for the necessary care, repair, maintenance and up-keep thereof.

Approved April 12, 1913.

CHAPTER 272—H. F. No. 160.

An Act to make uniform the law of negotiable instruments.

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

TITLE I.

NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS IN GENERAL.

ARTICLE I.

FORM AND INTERPRETATION.

Section 1. **Form of negotiable instrument.**—An instrument to be negotiable must conform to the following requirements:

(1) It must be in writing and signed by the maker or drawer;

(2) Must contain an unconditional promise or order to pay a sum certain in money;

(3) Must be payable on demand, or at a fixed or determinable future time;

(4) Must be payable to order or to bearer; and

(5) Where the instrument is addressed to a drawee, he must be named or otherwise indicated therein with reasonable certainty.

Sec. 2. **Certainty as to sum—What constitutes.**—The sum payable is a sum certain within the meaning of this act, although it is to be paid:

(1) With interest or

(2) By stated instalments; or