

up or maintain the roads, highways or bridges, or any of them, within the limits of such city, constructed, repaired or otherwise improved by said county board, or be liable in any manner for their want of repairs.

Sec. 2. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—Any act or parts of any act in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby expressly repealed, in so far as the same are in conflict herewith.

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

Approved April 17, 1913.

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CHAPTER 343—H. F. No. 1030.

*An Act to amend Section 4890 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1894, relating to compensation of stenographic or shorthand reporters in certain courts, as amended by Chapter 285 of the General Laws of Minnesota for 1909.*

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

Section 1. **Salary of shorthand reporter in certain counties.**—That Section 4890 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1894 as amended by Chapter 285, General Laws 1909, be amended to read as follows: The amount or rate of compensation to be paid to such shorthand reporter shall be fixed by the judge who appointed him; and each county shall pay the compensation for his services during the time he shall be employed in the cases tried therein. The judge shall certify the time during which he shall be employed at any term in the county, and the amount to which he is entitled therefor. Upon the presentation of such certificate of the judge to the county auditor of the county he shall draw his order, in favor of such reporter, upon the county treasurer, for the amount so certified; but such compensation shall not exceed ten dollars per day while employed in court, and fifteen cents per folio of one hundred words for the transcript; and provided, further, that when such reporter shall be required by either of the parties to an action to transcribe his record into longhand writing, the fees for such transcription as above provided for shall be paid by the party requiring the same. And, provided, further, that in any county having or which may hereafter have a population of not less than seventy-five thousand nor more than two hundred thousand inhabitants, and having a city of the first class, such shorthand reporter shall receive as compensation from such county the sum of three thousand dollars per annum, payable in equal monthly installments, at the same time and in the same

manner as the salaries of other county officials of such county are paid, and his actual expenses when attending court at a place other than the county seat, to be paid upon presentation of the voucher of the reporter thereof, duly approved by the judge of such court.

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

Approved April 17, 1913.

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#### CHAPTER 344—H. F. No. 1181.

*An Act to repeal Chapter 313 of the General Laws of 1911, and relating to joint freight rates over two or more connecting lines of railway between points within this state and relating to the powers and duties of the railroad and warehouse commission and to enact substitutes therefor.*

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

**Section 1. Regulation of transportation of freight over two or more connecting lines.**—Every owner or consignor of freight to be transported by railway from any point within this state to any other point within this state shall have the right to require that the same shall be transported over two or more connecting lines of railway, to be transferred at the connecting point or points without change of car or cars if in carload lots, and with or without change of car or cars if in less than carload lots, whenever the distance from the place of shipment to destination, both being within this state, is less over two or more connecting lines of railway than it is over a single line of railway, or where the initial line does not reach the place of destination; and it shall be the duty, upon the request of any such owner or consignor of freight, made to the initial company, of such railway companies whose lines so connect, to transport the freight without change of car or cars if the shipment be in carload lot or lots, and with change of car or cars if it be in less than carload lots, from the place of shipment to destination, whenever the distance from the place of shipment to destination, both being within this state, is less than the distance over a single line, or when the initial line does not reach the point of destination, for a reasonable joint through rate. This section shall not apply to interurban railways operated by electricity, except as to freight or cars transported over two or more such interurban railways having similar equipment so as to make it physically practicable to comply with the provisions of this section.

**Sec. 2. Railroad commission to establish joint through rates.**—The board of railroad and warehouse commission shall,