

funds provided for hereunder. The trustee who shall be selected by the board as treasurer of the home shall give an additional bond to the state in such sum as may be designated by the board of trustees, conditional that such treasurer shall account for and pay over, according to the directions of said board, all moneys or other property which may come into his possession with the consent of the inmates from the inmates of such home as such treasurer. The surety on such treasurer's bond may be any surety company that is authorized to contract as such by the laws of this state, and the cost thereof shall be paid out of the home support fund.

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

Approved April 10, 1917.

CHAPTER 189—H. F. No. 59.

An act authorizing and empowering the city council, common council or other chief governing body of any city of this state of the first class not governed by a home-rule charter to refund moneys heretofore advanced for public improvements in the public streets of said city.

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

Section 1. Minneapolis city council authorized to refund money heretofore advanced for public improvements.—The city council, common council or other chief governing body of any city of this state of the first class not governed by a home-rule charter is hereby authorized and empowered to refund moneys heretofore advanced by any person for the construction of water mains or other public improvements in the public streets of said city in cases where such water mains or other public improvements were after the advancement of said moneys, actually constructed in such public streets of such cities, but which improvements were not ordered or the assessment therefor against abutting property was not made or levied respectively in accordance with the charter or other governing act of said city, and where it appears that such public improvement is available and can be connected with abutting property and has already been connected with and used by the city for public municipal purposes. Such refundment shall only be made upon verified proofs of such advancement presented to the city council, common council or other chief governing body of such cities, showing that such advancement of moneys has been heretofore made and that such cities have had and retained said moneys.

Sec. 2. Assessments authorized for improvements.—The city council, common council or other chief governing body of

such cities are hereby authorized and empowered to levy assessments, in like manner, as other assessments for local improvements are made in such city, against the abutting property for the cost of the construction of such water main or other public improvement, notwithstanding the provisions of the city charter or other governing act of such cities to the contrary, and whether or not there has been an attempted levy of assessments against such abutting property. Provided however that this act shall not authorize a double assessment against the same property for the same improvement.

The foregoing provisions of this act as to refunding advancements for such public improvements and the right to levy assessments therefor shall not be affected by the lapse of time or the statute of limitations.

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

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CHAPTER 190—H. F. No. 775.

An act relating to building within certain cities, authorizing inspectors to examine buildings and authorizing and empowering the governing bodies of such cities to provide for inspection and regulation of buildings and construction work.

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

Section 1. **City council authorized to provide regulations and penalties for fire protection.**—That the city council or other governing body of each city in this state which now has or hereafter may have 20,000, and not more than 50,000 inhabitants, is hereby authorized and empowered to enact, adopt, repeal and amend, and to provide penalties for the violation of, any and all regulations, rules, resolutions and ordinances, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, relating to building within such city, and the planning, construction, repair, maintenance, fire protection and all other matters relating to buildings within such city.

For the purposes of this act the population of each city of this state shall be ascertained and determined according to the last census taken under and pursuant to the laws and authority of the state of Minnesota.

Sec. 2. **Inspection authorized.**—Such city council or other governing body of such city shall have power by ordinance to provide for inspection and regulation of any construction work within such city, whether buildings, plumbing, heating, ventilating, wiring or any other construction whatsoever.

Sec. 3. **Appointment of building inspectors and assistants**