

determining whether the maximum rates, prescribed by any law of the state of Minnesota, to be charged by any railroad company owning, operating or using a line of railroad wholly or partly within the state of Minnesota, for the intrastate transportation of passengers and their ordinary baggage, are under the then existing conditions reasonable. All railroad companies whose rates are involved in such investigation shall have such notice thereof as the commission shall deem reasonable and shall have an opportunity to be heard therein. For the purposes of such investigation the commission may require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, records, papers, and documents. If upon such investigation the commission shall find that such maximum rates, so prescribed, are so low as to be unreasonable, they shall make an order prescribing a schedule of reasonable maximum rates and shall fix the date when the same shall become effective. The rates so prescribed by the commission shall on said date supersede the rates prescribed by such law and shall thereafter be the lawful maximum rates for such services, unless and until changed by the further order of the commission. The rates so prescribed shall be in force during the pendency of any appeal or other proceeding to review the action of the commission.

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

Approved April 20, 1921.

CHAPTER 409—S. F. No. 163.

An act to amend Section 2213, General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913, relating to the furnishing of tax lien statements and the application of said act to certain counties.

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

Section 1. Compensation to auditor for furnishing statement of tax liens.—That said Section 2213, General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913, be, and the same hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

2213. For such service, the County Auditor shall receive a compensation of 25 cents for each lot or tract of land described in said certificate, which compensation shall be in addition to any compensation allowed him by law. Any number of contiguous tracts of land not exceeding one section, assessed as broad acres, or adjoining lots in the same block, in the city or village, shall be considered as one lot or parcel within the meaning of this section, provided, that the provisions of this

act shall not apply to counties having a population of more than *two hundred twenty-five thousand. (225,000).*

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

Approved April 20, 1921.

CHAPTER 410—S. F. No. 939.

An act to authorize in certain cases county boards and county Tuberculosis Sanatorium Commissions to cease the operation and maintenance of County Tuberculosis Sanatoriums and to provide for the sale of the property connected with the same.

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

Section 1 **County boards may discontinue operation of tuberculosis sanatorium in certain cases.**—Whenever in the judgment of all of the members of the county board of any county now having a population of not less than forty-five thousand inhabitants and not more than sixty-five thousand inhabitants, it is necessary and expedient to cease the operation and maintenance of a tuberculosis sanatorium theretofore established in said county and said judgment shall be concurred in by a majority of the members of the county sanatorium commission of said county, the county board and sanatorium commission are hereby authorized to cease the operation and maintenance of said sanatorium, and said county board is hereby authorized to sell the real and personal property belonging to said county and connected with said sanatorium and to make good and valid conveyances thereof. The proceeds derived from such sale shall be divided equally between said county and the state of Minnesota. The county's portion of such proceeds shall be set aside as a fund to be used under the direction of the Board of County Commissioners, either (1) to establish and maintain a tuberculosis sanatorium jointly with two or more counties, or (2) to otherwise assist in the treatment and care of tuberculosis patients of such county. The state's portion of such proceeds shall be deposited with the state treasurer and be credited to the state advisory commission for the construction and maintenance of county sanatoriums.

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

Approved April 20, 1921.

CHAPTER 411—S. F. No. 897.

An act creating the Minnesota General Hospital, relating to the acceptance and treatment of county and state patients and other