

certain cases.—That in any county of this state now or hereafter having at any time an assessed valuation of more than \$300,000,000 exclusive of money and credits and an area of over 5000 square miles, the county board of said county is hereby authorized to purchase in the manner provided by law for the purchase of road machinery and equipment in said county, a dredge or ditching machine for use by said county in constructing county road ditches and for cleaning out, repairing and constructing county or judicial drainage ditches in said county, payment for said dredge or ditching machine to be made from the road and bridge fund of said county on duly itemized and verified bill audited and allowed by said county board as other general claims against said county are allowed.

Sec. 2. May be used for county ditches, etc.—That said county board after the purchase of any such dredge or ditching machine shall have authority to use said machine on county road ditching work anywhere in said county as shall be found advisable by said board, and to allow said dredge or ditching machine to be used under the direction of the county ditch inspector, county or judicial ditch referee, or any ditch engineer, on the work of cleaning out, repairing or constructing any judicial or county ditch in said county, on such terms and conditions as to rental and maintenance charges for the use thereof, as said county board shall determine to be fair and reasonable, the charges for such rental and the expenses of the maintenance of said machine while used on any such county or judicial ditch work, to be paid out of the proper ditch fund of said county upon which ditch said machine was used, all such charges and expenses to be credited to the county fund from which the purchase price of said dredge or ditching machine was paid in the first instance.

Sec. 3. Shall repair and insure machine.—Said county board shall have authority to insure said dredge or ditching machine against loss by fire and pay the insurance premiums for such insurance out of said county road and bridge fund as part of the cost of maintenance of said dredge or ditching machine, and otherwise maintain said machine in proper repair for the purposes for which the same was acquired, and to pay all reasonable and necessary expenses therefor out of the road and bridge fund of said county.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 11, 1923.

CHAPTER 218—S. F. No. 718.

An act to legalize mortgage foreclosure sales heretofore made:

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

Section 1. Mortgage foreclosure legalized.—Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state under power of sale in the usual form, contained in any mortgage, duly executed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in the proper county of this state, together with the record of such foreclosure sale is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes as against the following objections, viz.:

That prior to the publication of the notice of foreclosure sale the mortgage foreclosed or an undivided interest therein has been assigned and the assignment duly placed of record and said mortgage or such interest therein re-assigned to the mortgagee or mortgagees named in the mortgage but such re-assignment was not placed of record until after such foreclosure sale, and said mortgage was again assigned by the mortgagee or mortgagees and such assignment or assignments duly placed of record, but the notice of foreclosure sale omits all mention or description of the first assignment and of the re-assignment thereof to the mortgagee or mortgagees.

Sec. 2. Application.—Provisions of this act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state.

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

Approved April 11, 1923.

CHAPTER 219— S. F. No. 850.

An act to amend Section 1177, General Statutes 1913, as amended by Chapter 384, Laws 1919, relating to the compensation of town officers.

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

Section 1. Compensation of town officers.—That section 1177, General Statutes 1913, as amended by chapter 384, Laws 1919, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

"1177. The following town officers shall be entitled to compensation for each day's service necessarily rendered as follows, viz: Assessors, four dollars, and mileage at the rate of five (5) cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled by him in going and returning from the county seat of the county to attend any meeting of the assessors of the county which may be legally called by the county auditor, and also for each mile necessarily traveled by him in making his return of assessment to the proper county officer; supervisors and clerks, three dollars when the service is rendered within the town, and three dollars when rendered without the town; but no supervisor shall receive more than ninety dollars as compensation in any one year except that in counties having a population of two hundred and ninety thousand or more the asses-