expense of special inspection as provided for in this section. The amount of such fees shall be due and payable immediately upon completion of each season's inspection, shall bear interest thereafter until paid at the rate of 7% per annum, and if not paid on or before December I following a penalty of 10% shall also be added and collected."

Approved April 19, 1923.

CHAPTER 380-S. F. No. 1122.

An act to amend Chapter 425, Session Laws of Minnesota, 1921. relating to the laying of water mains in cities of the fourth class, villages and boroughs and assessing the cost against abutting property, by adding thereto an additional Section to be known as Section 111/2.

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

Section 1. Water mains in certain municipalities.—That Chapter 425, Session Laws of Minnesota, 1921, be amended by adding thereto following Section 11 a new section, to be known as Section 11½, as follows:

"Section 111/2. Whenever any such city, village or borough shall have heretofore caused water mains to be laid under a general bond issue and not by special assessment, to equalize the frontage assessments, the council may cause such existing mains, if they are of cast iron, to be examined by a competent engineer and if same are of suitable size and condition for continued use, such existing mains may be assessed against the property abutting thereon at an average cost of not to exceed eighty per cent. of the assessment spread against the abutting property for the extension of new mains and this assessment of not exceeding eighty per cent. shall be calculated by the engineers or other competent person, and such assessment shall be prepared and provision made for its collection as in the case of new mains.

A hearing shall be held on old main assessments at the same time as the hearing of the assessment of new mains and in all respects the action shall be the same as prescribed for the new mains."

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

Approved March 26, 1923.

CHAPTER 381—S. F. No. 1165.

An act authorizing counties to appropriate money to aid in the construction of interstate bridges in certain cases.

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