

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

Section 1. Adjoining counties must appropriate bridge funds.—Whenever a city of the fourth class is situated in two counties *now or hereafter having a population of not exceeding 11,000 and 17,000 inhabitants respectively, and an assessed valuation including moneys and credits of not exceeding \$10,000,000 and \$19,500,000 respectively*, the county board of each such county is hereby required to appropriate each year out of the road and bridge fund of such county, such sum as shall be necessary to the reconstruction and maintenance of any bridge that shall have been or may hereafter be constructed by any such city within its limits crossing any stream or river therein, not exceeding, however, in any one year the amount of tax levied by the county upon property within such city for road and bridge purposes in such year.

Sec. 2. Tax levy.—The amount required for the reconstruction and maintenance of such bridge or bridges shall be determined on March 1 of each year by a commission consisting of the county highway engineer of each such county and the city engineer or other officer of such city charged with the maintenance and supervision of streets and bridges therein, and shall by them be certified to the county auditor of each such county. The proportion thereof to be paid by each county shall be determined on the basis of the tax for road and bridge purposes levied by such county upon property within such city in the next preceding year.

The county board shall thereupon direct the county auditor to make such payment to the city not later than July 1 next following, and the moneys so paid shall be used by the county for the sole purpose of reconstructing and maintaining such bridge or bridges.

Approved April 22, 1927.

CHAPTER 357—H. F. No. 907.

An act to amend Section 1856, General Statutes 1923, relating to the appointment of secretaries of water, light, power and building commissions in cities and villages having less than 10,000 inhabitants.

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

Section 1. Secretary—duties and powers—bond—compensation.—That Section 1856, General Statutes 1923, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"1856. The said water, light, power and building commission shall have the power and authority, and it is hereby given the power and authority to appoint and employ a secretary of said commis-

sion, who shall qualify as hereinafter stated, and upon such qualification shall be the secretary of said water, light, power and building commission, provided, that in cities organized under the provision of chapter 8, General Laws 1895, the city clerk shall be the secretary of said commission; and *provided further, that said commission may appoint as such secretary a member of said commission, who shall serve as such secretary only one year in any three years, and such term as secretary shall be during the second year of the term for which he is appointed.* Such secretary shall keep an accurate record, in books kept by him for that purpose, of all the proceedings and business transactions of said commission and he is also empowered and it is hereby made his duty to collect water, light and rent charges from patrons for the said city or village as the case may be, and at once pay the same into the treasury of said municipality and he shall make a detailed statement of the same at the regular monthly meeting of said commission, which shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. He shall be furnished by said municipality with all the necessary books and stationery to properly perform all the duties of his office and he shall be required to furnish a corporate bond running to such municipality, in such amount to be fixed by said commission, that he will faithfully perform all the duties of his office as is required of him by law and promptly pay over to the treasurer of said city or village, as the case may be, all moneys and deliver up all property to the council of said city or village, belonging to said municipality, that he may have in his possession. Said bond shall be approved by the said commission and filed with the city or village treasurer, as the case may be. The compensation of said secretary for his said services shall be fixed by the said commission in a sum not to exceed seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per month, the same to be when so fixed full compensation for services performed as secretary of said commission, which compensation shall be paid out of the treasury of said municipality. Said commission shall be authorized and fully empowered, and it is hereby authorized and fully empowered to revoke its said appointment and discharge its said secretary any time it may see fit and whenever it does so revoke such appointment and discharge its secretary it shall have and is hereby given the power and authority to reappoint and employ such other secretary as it may desire or determine."

Approved April 22, 1927.

CHAPTER 358—H. F. No. 922

An act authorizing the council of any village situate in a county now or hereafter having 380,000 or more inhabitants, to divide