

unmistakable, shall be registered as herein required and shall display number plates furnished by the registrar at cost; but the exemption herein provided shall not apply to any vehicle unless the name of the State Department or the political subdivision owning such vehicle shall be plainly printed on both sides thereof. Tractors used solely for agricultural purposes, for drawing threshing machinery or for road work other than hauling material, implements of husbandry temporarily moved upon the highway, road rollers and small trailers of less than 1000 pounds capacity used only with pleasure vehicles on occasional trips shall not be taxed as motor vehicles using the public streets and highways and shall be exempt from the provisions of this act. Motor vehicles, which are used only for the purpose of carrying sawing machines, well drilling machines, *feed grinders and corn shellers* temporarily attached to them, shall be subject to the registration tax as herein provided, but the machine so attached shall not be subject to this tax but shall be listed for taxation as personal property as provided by law. *Motor vehicles, which are used only for the purpose of carrying sawing machines, well drilling machines or corn shellers permanently attached to them shall not be subject to the registration tax as herein provided, but shall be listed for taxation as personal property as provided by law.*

Sec. 2. **Effective on passage.**—This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1931.

CHAPTER 40—H. F. No. 89

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2607, Subdivision 1, relating to the construction, improvement and repair of town roads.

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

Section 1. **Impassable roads—Complaint by freeholders.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, section 2607, subdivision 1, be amended to read as follows:

"Sub. 1. Whenever a complaint in writing to the county board of the county reciting that a described road in or on the line of a town therein is neglected by the town charged by law with its maintenance and repair, *or that a legally established road in or on the line of the town has not been constructed or opened, when the cost of opening and constructing such legally established road shall not exceed the sum of \$1000.00 per mile, and that by reason of such neglect such road is not reasonably passable, and which said complaint is signed by five or more freeholders of said town or of an*

adjoining town in said county, the county board shall by resolution fix a time and place when and where it will consider the complaint, and thereupon the county auditor shall mail a copy of the complaint, together with a notice of the time and place when and where the county board will meet to consider the complaint, to the town clerk of the town, and shall also notify the persons signing the complaint of the time and place of such meeting. At the designated time and place the county board shall consider such complaint and hear and consider such testimony as may be offered by the officers of the town, or the persons filing the complaint, relative to the truth of the matters therein set forth. The chairman of the board or the presiding officer thereof may administer oaths to witnesses and require them to testify under oath."

Approved March 6, 1931.

CHAPTER 41—H. F. No. 155

An act authorizing the county board of any county in this state, now or hereafter having a population of over two hundred thousand (200,000) inhabitants and an area of over five thousand (5,000) square miles, to pay actual damages for personal or property damages heretofore sustained within two months prior to January 1, 1931, by any person by reason of the acts of negligence of any county highway engineer or other employe in leaving a county road in a dangerous condition for public travel.

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

Section 1. County boards may settle claims in certain cases.—That in any County of the State now or hereafter having a population of over Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) inhabitants and an area of over Five Thousand (5,000) square miles, the County Board of such County shall have authority to settle and adjust any claim against such County for personal or property damage sustained within two months immediately prior to January 1, 1931, by reason of the negligence of any County Highway Engineer or other County employe in leaving a County road in a dangerous condition for public travel, when said County Board shall determine that said person so suffering damage was free from contributory negligence in connection such such accident.

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

Approved March 6, 1931.