

county auditor, in all counties of this state containing not less than 12 nor more than 13 full and fractional congressional townships, with a taxable valuation for the year 1935 of not less than 7,000,000 nor more than 8,000,000 dollars, exclusive of money and credits, and having a population according to the federal census for 1930 of not less than 14,000 nor more than 15,000 inhabitants, shall be the sum of 2700 dollars.

Sec. 2. **Exceptions.**—Except for the minimum amount herein provided, the clerk hire allowed by the county auditor, in any such county, shall be the same amount as otherwise provided by law.

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

Approved April 15, 1939.

CHAPTER 268—S. F. No. 714

An act relating to salaries of certain town officers in certain counties.

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

Section 1. **Salary of certain town officers in certain counties.**—In all counties in the state having a population of 500,000 persons or more, according to the last federal census, and having an assessed valuation of \$1,200,000.00 or more, the town supervisor shall not receive more than \$200.00 as salary in any one year, in addition to mileage as provided, and the voters at annual town meeting, before the balloting for officers begins, shall fix the per diem of township supervisors, at not to exceed four dollars and fifty cents per day.

Approved April 15, 1939.

CHAPTER 269—S. F. No. 875

An act amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5640, relating to additional protection of wild animals for which an open season is provided.

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

Section 1. Protection of wild animals in certain cases.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5640, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"5640. Whenever the *Commissioner of Conservation*, after investigation by the *Director of the Division of Game and Fish*, finds that any species of wild animals, as defined herein, for which an open season is provided, is in danger of undue depletion or extinction, or when necessary for the proper protection or propagation of any protected wild animals, the *Commissioner of Conservation* may by an order giving 30 days public notice provide protection for such species, additional to that provided by law, and to that end, may prescribe restrictions as to in what numbers, and in what places the same may be taken and reduce in part or close in its entirety any open season provided for the taking of any protected wild animals. *Provided, that no open season for the taking of any protected wild animals shall be declared otherwise than by legislative action.* Any order issued by the *Commissioner of Conservation* pursuant to this section shall have the force of law and the penalties prescribed for violations of this chapter shall follow and be applicable to violations of any such order to same effect and extent respectively, as though such order had been enacted as a part of this chapter. No such order shall be valid after the close of the season affected by or for which such order was issued. *Provided, however, the Commissioner of Conservation is authorized and shall have the power to make any and all regulations for the taking of fish from boundary waters between the State of Minnesota and the State of Wisconsin, and such regulations, when made, shall supersede any previously existing provisions.*"

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CHAPTER 270—S. F. No. 921

An act to amend Laws 1935, Chapter 72, Section 29, Subsection 4, Subdivisions (d) and (e) as amended by Laws 1937, Chapter 435, Section 8, and Section 29, Subsection 5, as amended by Laws 1937, Chapter 435, Section 8; and Sections 103, 115, as amended by Laws 1937, Chapter 435, Section 13, 118, 119, 143, 164 Subsection 15, 174, and 183 relating to probate courts, the practice and procedure therein, descent and distribution, wills and the probate thereof, administration, guardianships, and commitments.