

issuing the same and signed by the chairman and clerk thereof, except that the signatures to the coupons attached to such bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon. The sale of such bonds shall be in such manner and in such proportions of the whole amount authorized by this act and at such times as may be determined by said board of supervisors of such town.

Sec. 5. Proceedings to be used for purposes enumerated.—The proceeds of any and all bonds issued and sold under the authority of this act shall be used for the purposes hereinbefore enumerated.

Sec. 6. Powers additional.—The powers granted by this act are in addition to all existing powers of such towns.

Approved April 17, 1939.

CHAPTER 288—S. F. No. 912

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927, Section 1442-15, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 328, Section 5, as amended by Special Session Laws of 1935-36, Chapter 20, and as further amended by Laws of 1937, Chapter 171, relating to the payment of retirement allowances to employees of cities of the first class in the State.

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

Section 1. Classification of employees.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes 1927, Section 1442-15, as amended by Laws of 1933, Chapter 328, Section 5, as amended by Special Session Laws of 1935-36, Chapter 20, and as further amended by Laws of 1937, Chapter 171, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"1442-15. Employees of the city shall be divided into a contributing class, a non-contributing class and an exempt class.

The contributing class shall consist of all employees not included in either of the other two classes, and shall be subdivided into present incumbents, employees in the service of the city at the date this act becomes effective therein, who elect to become contributors to and prospective beneficiaries of the fund created by this act, and future entrants, employees who enter the service of the city subsequent to the date this act becomes effective therein.

The non-contributing class shall consist of all employees, including common laborers, whose individual pay or compensations do not exceed \$750.00 per annum; provided, *however*, that when the compensation of an employee who is paid on a monthly basis equals or exceeds \$62.50 per month on a 12-month basis, such employee shall be classified as a contributor and shall from and after such time contribute to the fund and assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth.

Provided, further, that from and after the end of the calendar year in which the average annual compensation of an employee who is paid on a day basis equals or exceeds \$750.00 per calendar year during his period of service with the city, such employee from and after such date shall be classified as a contributor and shall assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth.

Any employee in the non-contributing class may, upon written application filed with the retirement board prior to attaining the age of 50 years, elect to become a member of the contributing class, and shall then assume all the obligations imposed upon and be entitled to all the benefits conferred upon members of the contributing class, as herein and in this act specifically set forth. Provided, *however*, that any employee in the non-contributing class who has attained the age of 50 years at the time of the passage of this act shall have one year from and after its passage to make said election. Such election, when made, shall be final and irrevocable.

The exempt class shall consist of:

(a) Employees who are members of, or who are eligible to become members of, an organization or association on behalf of which a tax is levied against the city for the purpose of paying retirement allowances to disabled or superannuated employees.

(b) Persons filling elective positions. Provided that any elective officer holding an elective position, as those terms are defined herein, who shall have filled such elective position for twenty years or more and who shall not have received as compensation for his services as such elective officer any sum or sums in excess of \$3000.00 per annum, shall be entitled to retire upon the completion of twenty years of service on a

service allowance. Such service allowance shall be computed and determined as provided for herein. Before receiving said service allowance such officer shall contribute to the fund herein provided for an amount which shall be equal to the amount of contributions to said fund which said elective officer would have made had he been a contributor to said fund since January 1, 1922, in accordance with the method of contribution herein provided for, plus four per cent compound interest.

(c) Persons serving without pay.

(d) Persons serving on executive boards.

(e) Pupil nurses, internes and staff physicians employed at the city hospitals.

(f) Employees in the service of the city at the time this act is adopted, who, after its adoption, have not given written notice of a desire to accept the provisions of this act.

(g) Persons not citizens of the United States."

Approved April 17, 1939.

CHAPTER 289—S. F. No. 1059

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927; Section 205, relating to the compensation of court reporters.

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

Section 1. Compensation of court reporters in certain districts.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 205, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The judges, by an order filed with the county auditors annually on or before the first Monday in May, 1939, and on or before the first Monday in January, annually thereafter, shall fix and establish the salary of the court reporter at an amount not exceeding \$2700.00 per year, but in judicial districts comprised or hereafter comprised of not less than ten counties the salary shall be fixed and established at \$3000.00 per year, and in such order shall apportion the salaries of the reporters in their respective districts among the several counties, and each county shall be required by such order to pay