

claims arising out of transactions with the Highway Department shall be paid only out of funds belonging to said Highway Department.

Sec. 5. Claims to be filed before July 1, 1940.—All claims to be considered by the commission hereunder shall be filed with the State Auditor on or before July 1, 1940.

Sec. 6. Effective until December 1, 1940.—This act shall be and remain in full force and effect until December 31, 1940.
Approved April 22, 1939.

CHAPTER 416—S. F. No. 1374

An act to amend the 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4284, relating to workmen's compensation payments to alien dependents.

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

Section 1. Payments to alien dependents.—That the 1938

Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4284 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"4284. In case a deceased employe, for whose injury or death compensation is payable, leaves surviving him an alien dependent or dependents residing outside of the United States, the Industrial Commission shall direct the payment of all compensation due to such dependent or dependents to be made to the duly accredited consular officer of the country of which the beneficiaries are citizens, if such consular officer resides within the state of Minnesota, or to his designated representative residing within the state, or if the Industrial Commission believes that the interests of such alien dependent will be better served, and such alien dependent shall *at any time prior to final settlement file with the commission a power of attorney designating any other suitable person residing in this state to act as attorney in fact in such proceedings*, then the said Industrial Commission may in its discretion appoint such person. Provided that, if it appears necessary to institute or carry on any proceedings to enforce payment of compensation due to such dependent or dependents, the Industrial Commission may permit the said consular officer to commence and institute said proceedings, and if during the pendency of the same, following the death of the alien employe, such power of attorney is filed by said alien dependent, the Industrial

Commission shall then summarily exercise its discretion and determine whether such attorney in fact shall be substituted to represent said alien dependent or if the said consular officer or his representative shall continue therein. Such person so appointed may institute and carry on proceedings to settle all claims for compensation and to receive for distribution to such alien dependent or dependents all compensation arising hereunder. The settlement and distribution of said funds shall be made only on order of the commission. Such person so appointed shall furnish a good and sufficient bond, satisfactory to the commission, conditioned upon the proper application of the moneys received by him. Before such bond is discharged, such person so appointed shall file with the commission a verified account of the items of his receipts and disbursements of such compensation.

Such person so appointed shall, before receiving the first payment of such compensation and thereafter when so ordered so to do by the commission, furnish to the commission a sworn statement containing a list of the dependents, with the name, age, residence, extent of dependency, and relationship to the deceased of each dependent. *In any proceedings heretofore taken to recover compensation for any alien dependent where the same have been instituted and carried on for a period of at least five years in the name of a person as petitioner, designated by power of attorney from the alien dependent, the right of such designated petitioner to conclude said proceedings or final settlement and to fully bind all parties thereby, is hereby legalized in all respects."*

Approved April 22, 1939.

CHAPTER 417—S. F. No. 1413

An act authorizing the conservator of rural credit to enter into compositions on contracts for deed heretofore or hereafter entered into with purchasers of land from the State of Minnesota, Department of Rural Credit.

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

Section 1. **Conservator of Rural Credits may compromise indebtedness.**—Whenever the Conservator of Rural Credit is of the opinion that it is for the best interest of the State to compromise with the vendee named therein or his heirs, the indebtedness on a Contract for Deed, by a satisfactory cash set-