CHAPTER 173-S. F. No. 552

An act relating to the assessment of lands involved in ditch proceedings and providing for the payment of interest deficiency on bonds.

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

Section 1. Additional assessments for interest on bonds in ditch proceedings.—Whenever a ditch has been established by county or judicial proceedings and the county board has issued and sold bonds to pay a part or the entire cost thereof, and has assessed the lands benefited, which assessments have been paid and there are insufficient funds to pay the interest due or to become due upon such bonds, said county board is authorized to determine the amount that each piece, parcel or tract of land shall bear to pay such interest deficiency and to assess the same according to the rules which governed the first assessment.

Approved April 10, 1941.

CHAPTER 174—S. F. No. 555

An act to legalize certain proceedings heretofore taken for the drainage of lands in certain cases and to declare legal and valid any and all proceedings and assessments and liens levied or created under and pursuant to any of the provisions of any laws of the State of Minnesota relating thereto.

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

Section 1. Drainage proceedings legalized.—Where the county board of any county of this state or the judge of any of the district courts of this state in pursuance of any laws of the State of Minnesota governing the establishment, construction or repair of any drainage system or part thereof has established and ordered constructed any drainage system wholly within any county of this state or partly within two or more counties thereof, and such drainage system has been actually constructed and the proceedings for such establishment and construction are in all respects valid and according to law, and assessments or liens have been levied or created by the county auditor, county board, or judge of said court against all of the lands originally assessed for benefits in the proceedings for the establishment of such drainage system,

for the purpose of collecting and paying a deficit in any such drainage system due to the increased cost of construction of such drainage system, deficiency in interest payable on bonds issued for construction of such drainage system, the expense of improvement, maintenance and repair of same, or for any other reason, and the time for appeals has expired and no appeals have been taken therefrom or from any such proceedings, or if such appeals have been taken that the same have been determined before the passage of this act, then the said proceedings and all assessments or liens so levied or attempted to be assessed or levied for said purposes are hereby approved, legalized and declared to be valid, and in full force and effect and a lien upon and against said lands benefited by the establishment and construction of said drainage system until paid. at the time and in the manner as set forth in said act and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending action.—This act shall not apply to or affect any action now pending in which the validity of said proceedings is called in question.

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CHAPTER 175-H. F. No. 314

An act relating to the state highway patrol, amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2554, Subdivision 18.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2554, Subdivision 18, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2554. Number of highway patrolmen to be appointed.— Subdivision 18. (a) The commissioner of highways is hereby authorized to employ and designate not to exceed 126 persons to enforce the provisions of the laws relating to the protection of and use of trunk highways, who shall have upon all trunk highways the same powers with respect to the enforcement of laws relating to crimes, as sheriffs, constables, and police officers have within their respective jurisdictions, so far as may be necessary for the protection of life and property upon such trunk highways. Under instructions and regulations of the commissioner of highways, said employees shall cooperate with all sheriffs and other police officers, and