

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

Section 1. That Laws 1907, Chapter 139, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1913, Chapter 293, as amended by Laws 1915, Chapter 135, as amended by Laws 1917, Chapter 472, as amended by Laws 1919, Chapter 304, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1921, Chapter 336, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1923, Chapter 307, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1925, Chapter 372, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 420, Section 2, as amended by Laws 1929, Chapter 338, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 362, as amended by Extra Session Laws 1937, Chapter 27, Section 1, as amended by Laws 1941, Chapter 321, relating to employees in the office of the county treasurer of any county in this state now or hereafter having a population of not less than 250,000 inhabitants nor more than 350,000 inhabitants be amended as follows :

"Sec. 2. Clerk hire, county treasurer of Ramsey County. The county treasurer of such county shall appoint and employ one chief deputy, *and twenty-four additional full time employees whose duties shall be such as are determined by him.* Provided however, that all employees shall be paid semi-monthly.

He may also employ such other additional or extra help as *may be authorized by the Board of County Commissioners."*

Approved March 16, 1945.

CHAPTER 112—S. F. No. 545

An act relating to fees in drainage proceedings; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 106.66.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 106.66, is hereby amended to read as follows :

"106.66. Fees and expenses. The following fees and expenses shall be allowed and paid for services rendered under this chapter :

(1) To the engineers, a sum not exceeding \$20.00 per day, to be fixed by the county board or the court making the appointment, for every day necessarily engaged and actual and necessary expenses, including cost of bond ;

(2) To each assistant engineer, a sum not exceeding \$12.00 per day for every day necessarily engaged and actual and necessary expenses;

(3) To each viewer, *a sum not exceeding \$10.00 per day and not less than \$7.50 per day, to be fixed by the county board or the court making the appointment*, for every day necessarily engaged and actual and necessary expenses;

(4) To each rod man, a sum not exceeding \$7.00 per day *and not less than \$4.00 per day, to be fixed by the county board or the court making the appointment for every day necessarily engaged* and actual and necessary expenses;

(5) To each chainman, axeman, and other like employee not herein mentioned and necessary to the prompt execution of the work of locating or construction of a public ditch, a sum not exceeding \$6.00 per day and actual and necessary expenses;

(6) To each member of the county board, the sum of \$5.00 per day for each day actually occupied in proceedings to establish or repair or inspect any drainage improvement after its completion or during the course of the work, if appointed as a committee for that purpose, and the sum of ten cents per mile, each way, for traveling necessary in attending any special meeting of the county board called for the purpose of transacting any business pertaining to such drainage system, and for traveling in inspecting ditches, or any other necessary travel in the drainage matter;

(7) To the county auditor, the attorney for the petitioners, the clerk of the district court, the register of deeds, and the sheriff performing duties thereunder, such reasonable compensation as shall be fixed by the county board or the court, as the case may be, and the fees and compensation of all county officials in drainage proceedings shall be in addition to all sums and fees allowed them by law; provided, that the fees of the auditor shall in no case exceed \$250.00 and in all proceedings for repair where the costs of the repair are to be paid from the annual assessment for repairs provided in section 106.48, the fees of the county auditor or the county attorney shall in no case exceed the sum of \$100.00 for each proceeding.

The fees, compensation, and expenses hereinbefore specified for members of the county board in drainage proceedings shall be in addition to all other fees, salaries, compensation, and expenses allowed to members of the county board by any other law of this state. In all drainage proceedings where

any county is directly interested, the county attorney thereof shall represent the county. No county attorney or his assistants or any attorney associated with him in business shall otherwise appear in any drainage proceeding for any person or party interested therein.

All fees, per diem, compensations, and expenses provided for in this chapter and fees for such other legal services and expenses as may be necessary shall, in the case of a county ditch, be audited, allowed, and paid upon the order of the county board, and, in case of a judicial ditch, the judge of the district court having charge thereof shall audit, allow, and order the same paid upon ten days' written notice to each county interested, which notice may be given to the auditor of the county, that all bills on file with the clerk of the court where the proceeding is pending at the date of the notice will be brought on for hearing, and for allowance at the time and placed named therein.

In all cases where a judicial ditch proceeding has for any reason been dismissed by the court, all fees and expenses connected therewith shall be audited, allowed, and ordered paid in like manner."

Approved March 16, 1945.

CHAPTER 113—S. F. No. 693

An act relating to weights of motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 169.83, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 226.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 169.83, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 226, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"169.83. Limit of weight upon vehicles. (a) No vehicle or combination of vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires shall be operated upon the highways of this State:

1. Where the gross weight on any wheel exceeds 9,000 pounds;