

or referee, the court or referee may order a stay of proceedings for not to exceed 40 days, which said stay of proceedings may be extended without notice upon representation by the court reporter that he has been unable, for good cause, to prepare the transcript, if any, and the court shall transmit to all parties to such proceedings a copy of such order. Provided, however, that a stay of proceedings may be extended upon application of either party only upon notice and showing made that there is good cause therefor and that a transcript of the testimony was ordered from the court reporter within a reasonable time after the filing of the verdict or decision.

Approved March 7, 1945.

CHAPTER 53—H. F. No. 264

An act to regulate the salary of the county attorney and to fix and designate the number of assistants and employees in the office of the county attorney in any county of this state now or hereafter having a population of not less than 250,000 inhabitants nor more than 350,000 inhabitants, and amending Laws 1927, Chapter 420, Section 4, as amended by Laws 1929, Chapter 339, Section 1, and Laws 1939, Chapter 214, Sections 1 and 2.

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

Section 1. Laws 1927, Chapter 420, Section 4, as amended by Laws 1929, Chapter 339, Section 1, and by Laws 1931, Chapter 310, Section 1, and Laws 1939, Chapter 214, Sections 1 and 2 is hereby amended to read as follows :

Sec. 4. Salary and assistants of county attorney of Ramsey county. The salary of the county attorney of each county of this state now having a population of not less than 250,000 and not more than 350,000 inhabitants shall be \$6,000 per annum. Such county attorney shall appoint and employ one assistant known as the first assistant county attorney; one assistant known as attorney for the board of county commissioners, one assistant known as the second assistant county attorney, one assistant known as the third assistant county attorney, one assistant known as the fourth assistant county attorney, *one assistant known as tax attorney*, one attorney investigator, said investigator shall be a peace officer and shall have all the powers now possessed by any peace

officer, police officer, sheriff or deputy sheriff, including the power to make arrests with or without warrants, such investigator shall be under the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of the county attorney; two stenographers one information and advisory clerk.

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CHAPTER 54—H. F. No. 267

An act providing for the election and term of office of abstract clerks in all counties in the State of Minnesota, now or hereafter having a population of more than 250,000 and less than 350,000 inhabitants, and repealing Laws 1915, Chapter 215 and all other inconsistent acts.

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

Section 1. Abstract clerk to be elected in Ramsey county. That in all counties in the State of Minnesota, now or hereafter having a population of more than 250,000 and less than 350,000 inhabitants, an abstract clerk shall be elected at the general election for county officers to be held in the year 1946 and each four years thereafter, and his term of office shall be for four years and until his successor is elected and shall have qualified.

Sec. 2. Continuation in office of incumbent. The abstract clerk now in office in any county embraced in Section one of this act, shall hold office until his successor has been elected at the general election in the year 1946 and until such successor has qualified as provided by law.

Sec. 3. Repeal. Laws 1915, Chapter 215 and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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CHAPTER 55—H. F. No. 271

An act to authorize the reconveyance to the city of St. Paul and the county of Ramsey of certain lands conveyed to the State of Minnesota by said city and county pursuant to