

be made for road and bridges purposes in the years 1945 and 1946. Provided, that no county in which the average mill rate for all purposes, including any levy made hereunder, is more than 114 mills, or in which the assessed value of platted real estate is more than 45 per cent of the assessed value of all real estate, shall not levy more than 10 mills for such purposes. Such taxes may be additional to the amount permitted by law to be levied for other county purposes.

Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 592—H. F. No. 684

An act relating to statements presumed to be fraudulent; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 602.01.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 602.01, is amended to read as follows:

602.01. **Certain statements presumed to be fraudulent.** Any statement secured from an injured person at any time within 30 days after such injuries were sustained shall be presumably fraudulent in the trial of any action for damages for injuries sustained by such person or for the death of such person as the result of such injuries. No statement can be used as evidence in any court unless the party so obtaining the statement shall give to such injured person a copy thereof within 30 days after the same was made.

Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 593—H. F. No. 818

An act relating to the general revenue fund, creating a deferred building account therein, transferring certain moneys thereto under certain conditions, and providing for the investment of certain moneys therein, and creating an interim commission for the purposes of this act and appropriating money therefor.

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

Section 1. Deferred building account. Subdivision 1. For the purpose of providing moneys for the construction, remodeling and alterations of buildings at state hospitals, School for the Feeble-minded, The Colony for Epileptics, and for sewage disposal plants thereat, and when labor and materials become available, there is hereby created in the general revenue fund in the state treasury a special account which shall be known as the Deferred Building Account. The sum of \$5,000,000 is hereby transferred to the Deferred Building Account from the moneys in the general revenue fund in the state treasury not otherwise credited to a special account therein. The moneys in the Deferred Building Account shall be available for appropriation for the construction, remodeling and alterations of buildings at state hospitals, School for the Feeble-Minded, The Colony for Epileptics, and for sewage disposal plants thereat, and shall not be used for any other purpose. The state auditor and state treasurer are authorized and directed to make the appropriate entries upon their records.

Subd. 2. Whenever there shall be any moneys in the Deferred Building Account which is not currently needed, the commissioner of administration shall certify to the state board of investment the amount thereof and the length of time, as he may determine, when it will not be needed for the payment of any appropriation therefrom. Upon receipt of the certification, the state board of investment may invest the amount so certified in bonds or securities of the United States of America, so conditioned as to be convertible into cash without discount through federal government agencies at the option of the state on or before the expiration of the time when the proceeds will not be needed as certified by the commissioner of administration. At or before the expiration of the time so certified, except as the commissioner of administration may then certify that there is no current need therefor, the board shall proceed to cash such bonds or securities and shall deposit the proceeds in the Deferred Building Account. All interest and profit shall be credited to and be a part of the Deferred Building Account.

Sec. 2. Interim committee on state institution buildings. Subdivision 1. There is hereby created and established an interim committee on state institution buildings to study the needs of the institutions enumerated in Section 1, Subdivision 1, hereof for the construction, remodeling and alterations of buildings at such institutions, and for sewage disposal plants thereat. The committee shall consist of seven members to

be appointed as follows: three members of the Senate who shall be appointed by the Committee on Committees, three members of the House of Representatives who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Director of Public Institutions. The members of the committee shall be paid necessary expenses of subsistence and travel in going between their places of residence or business and their place of meeting. The committee shall choose its own chairman and vice chairman and shall also have the power to appoint and employ and fix compensation of such employees as it may require. The committee shall make a survey of the needs of the several institutions enumerated in Section 1, Subdivision 1, hereof for construction, remodeling and alterations of buildings thereat and for sewage disposal plants thereat and shall make a report to the legislature of the State of Minnesota in 1947 with such recommendations as it may deem necessary, including the priority of need of the several institutions and such other recommendations relating to the subject-matter of the survey as it may deem necessary.

Subd. 2. There is hereby appropriated to the interim committee on state institution buildings from the \$5,000,000 in the deferred building account the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the committee in performing its duties as herein prescribed.

Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 594—H. F. No. 864

An act relating to reciprocal or inter-insurance contracts, authorizing individuals, partnerships and corporations; public or private, to make such contracts; and amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 71.07.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 71.07, is amended to read as follows:

71.07. Reciprocal or interinsurance contracts. Individuals, partnerships and corporations, *public or private*, of this state, hereby designated subscribers, are hereby authorized to exchange reciprocal or interinsurance contracts with each other, or with individuals, partnerships, and corporations, *public or*