CHAPTER 180-S. F. No. 124

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An act relating to a county historical society tax levy. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. [138.071] County historical societies, tax levies. In any county of the state, except a county in which is located a city of the first class, the board of county commissioners may make a special tax levy upon all the taxable property in the county of not to exceed one-half of one mill. The proceeds from such tax shall be placed in a separate fund, in the control of the county board, for the support of the County Historical Society.

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CHAPTER 181-S. F. No. 156

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An act relating to the register of deeds of any county having over 7,000 and less than 8,000 inhabitants according to the 1950 federal census and less than 20 full and fractional congressional townships.

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

Section 1. Benton County; register of deeds; fees and salary In any county having over 7,000 and less than 8,000 inhabitants according to the 1950 federal census and less than 20 full and fractional congressional townships, where the fees of the register of deeds do not aggregate \$2,700 at the end of the calendar year 1953 and each year thereafter, the register of deeds may file with the county auditor of such county a sworn statement showing the total amount of fees received by him during the calendar years, whereupon the auditor shall issue to the register of deeds a warrant drawn upon the county revenue fund for the difference between the aggregate amount of fees received by him and the sum of \$2,700.

Approved March 31, 1953.

CHAPTER 182-S. F. No. 167

[Not Coded]

An act fixing the salary of county auditors and county treasurer in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Washington county; auditor, treasurer; salary. In all counties of the State having a land area of more than 380 and less than 400 square miles, and having a population of more than 34,000 and less than 36,000 inhabitants, according to the last federal census, the minimum annual salary of county auditors and county treasurers shall be \$4500.00 respectively.

Sec. 2. Termination of increases in salary. If circumstances or economic conditions should hereafter exist of sufficient importance to convince the board of county commissioners that such minimum annual salaries should be increased, it may, by resolution, increase the annual salaries of such officers. Whenever the board of county commissioners increases the salaries of such officers, it shall also have the authority to revoke or terminate such increases whenever it is convinced that such increases are no longer necessary or justifiable.

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CHAPTER 183—S. F. No. 187

An act relating to the annual tax levy and expenditures in towns having a population of more than 3,000, exclusive of incorporated village and cities therein, and an assessed valuation of taxable property, exclusive of monies and credits, of more than \$10,000,000; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 275.32.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 275.32, is amended to read:

275.32 Limit, tax levy. The total amount of taxes, exclusive of money and credit taxes, levied by or for any such town, through the vote of the town meeting or the electors of such town or otherwise, and by or for any board or commission thereof, for any and all general or special purposes whatsoever, including payment of indebtedness and bonds, payment for which is levied under Laws 1941, Chapter 447; Laws 1951, Chapter 396; Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 368.52 and Laws 1951, Chapter 477, shall not exceed 17 mills on the dollar of the assessed taxable valuation of the property in any such town, exclusive of money and credits, whenever such levies as hereinbefore specified will produce a total levy of town taxes as great or greater than an average of \$1,000 per government sec-