

traveled in going to and returning from St. Paul;

(2) To persons carrying ballots from, and returns to, county auditor's offices, \$1.00 for each trip necessarily made, and *seven cents* for each mile of necessary travel;

(3) To members of county canvassing boards \$5.00 for each eight hours of service as members of such canvassing board and *seven cents* for each mile of necessary travel; *provided that in counties now or hereafter having a population of 600,000 or more the members of the county canvassing boards in such counties shall be paid \$12.00 for each eight hours of service as members of such canvassing board and mileage.*

(4) The sum for regular, special, and ballot judges and clerks of election, for each hour necessarily spent in receiving votes or in counting and canvassing ballots shall be determined by the appropriate governing body as hereafter provided: in the case of organized townships the compensation of judges and clerks shall be fixed at the annual meeting; in the case of unorganized territory by the county board; and in the case of villages and boroughs, by the governing bodies thereof; and the compensation paid to regular, special and ballot judges and clerks of election in cities shall be fixed and determined by the council of such cities respectively; and

(5) To special peace officers, an amount for each hour of service rendered by direction of the judges, to be fixed as in the case of the judges and clerks of election.

Approved March 31, 1953.

CHAPTER 200—S. F. No. 1162

[Not Coded]

An act to legalize proceedings in certain counties preliminary to and in the issuance of courthouse bonds.

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

Section 1. Courthouse improvement bonds. When the board of commissioners of any county in this state having a population, according to the 1950 federal census, of not less than 34,000 and outstanding bonded indebtedness in an amount not exceeding \$625,000 has, prior to the passage and approval of this act, authorized the issuance of general obligation courthouse improvement bonds of such county in an amount not exceeding \$300,000, for the purpose of defraying expenses to be necessarily incurred in constructing an addition to and remodel-

ing the courthouse of the county, all such proceedings and all bonds so authorized are hereby legalized and validated, and any such county is hereby authorized to issue, sell and deliver such bonds pursuant to and in accordance with said proceedings heretofore taken; provided that nothing herein shall be deemed to permit the issuance of bonds by any county in an amount which would cause its net indebtedness to exceed the limitations prescribed by law, and all bonds so issued shall be sold and provisions shall be made for the security and payment thereof in the manner provided by Minnesota Statutes, Sections 475.60 to 475.66, inclusive.

Sec. 2. Remedial. It is expressly found and determined that this act is remedial in nature, being necessary to protect the financial credit of such counties, and this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Sec.3. Application limited. This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeal now pending in which the validity of any of such proceedings or of any such bonds or other obligations is called in question.

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CHAPTER 201—S. F. No. 1229

An act relating to rear-end lamps on motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 169.50, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 169.50, Subdivision 1 is amended to read as follows:

169.50 Rear lamps. Subdivision 1. **Required.** Every motor vehicle and every vehicle which is being drawn at the end of a train of vehicles shall be equipped with *at least one tail lamp*, exhibiting a red light plainly visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear. On and after January 1, 1938, no person shall sell or operate any new motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer unless the rear lamp thereon is mounted and located on the rear within 20 inches from the extreme left edge and not less than 24, nor more than 60, inches from the surface upon which the vehicle stands, unless the use or construction of the vehicle makes such location impracticable.

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