- Subd. 4. All pension payments heretofore paid to retired members of the Saint Louis Park policemen's relief association pursuant to the police pension Laws of 1955, Chapter 105, for cities of the second class, which is coded as Minnesota Statutes, Sections 423.801 to 423.815, are hereby ratified and shall be deemed legal payments.
- Sec. 4. Subdivision 1. This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Louis Park and upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021.

Approved May 2, 1963.

CHAPTER 455-S. F. No. 256

[Coded]

An act relating to highway construction contracts, providing certain remedies in case of default by the contractor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 161.32, by adding a new subdivision.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 161.32, is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
- Subd. 5. Highways; default by contractor. In cases where work is being done under contract and the commissioner finds that the contractor has failed to comply within 60 days from the date of receipt of a written demand to make arrangements, satisfactory to the commissioner, to correct specified delays, neglect, or default, within the control of the contractor, the commissioner may negotiate with others, with the approval of the defaulting contractor's surety, for the completion of the contract according to the terms and provisions of the contract.

Approved May 3, 1963.

CHAPTER 456—S. F. No. 258

An act relating to the powers of the commissioner of highways, amending Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 161.35.

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

Changes or additions indicated by italics, deletions by strikeout.

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1961, Section 161.35, is amended to read:
- 161.35 **Highways; employment of consultants.** Until July 1, 1963, July 1, 1965, the commissioner is authorized to employ and engage the services of registered professional engineers, or engineering firms, and registered land surveyors, to act as consultants in connection with and to prepare plans and specifications or to perform aerial photography and survey work preliminary to the preparation of plans and specifications themselves or by their organizations and employees for the construction of trunk highways, and the commissioner is authorized to negotiate for and agree upon the terms and compensation for such employment and services. If the commissioner employs and engages an engineering firm, the person or persons in responsible charge of the work or services to be performed shall be registered professional engineers or registered land surveyors.

Approved May 3, 1963.

CHAPTER 457—S. F. No. 557

[Coded]

An act relating to real property; providing for, among other matters, joint ownership of apartments as herein defined and for other matters pertinent thereto.

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

- Section 1. [515.01] Apartment ownership act; short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "apartment ownership act."
- Sec. 2. [515.02] **Definitions.** As used in this act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- (a) "Apartment" means a part of the property intended for any type of independent use, including one or more rooms or enclosed spaces located on one or more floors, or part or parts thereof, in a building, and with a direct exit to a public street or highway or to a common area leading to such street or highway.
- (b) "Apartment owner" means the person or persons owning an apartment in fee simple absolute and an undivided interest in the fee simple estate of the common areas and facilities in the percentage specified and established in the declaration.

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