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Containing the text of the acts of the 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935, 1937 and 1939 General Sessions, and the 1933-34, 1935-36, 1936 and 1937 Special Sessions of the Legislature, both new and amendatory, and notes showing repeals, together with annotations from the various courts, state and federal, and the opinions of the Attorney General, construing the constitution, statutes, charters and court rules of Minnesota together with digest of all common law decisions.



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CHAPTER 2½

Capitol Buildings and Grounds

23-1. Central mailing station established in Capitol.—Upon the erection of a state office building the Commission of Administration and Finance shall cause to be established a central mailing station in the State Capitol, or in such office building, under the direct supervision of the custodian of State Capitol buildings. (Act Apr. 24, 1929, c. 350, §1.)

23-2. Mail to be delivered unstamped.—All official mail of any state department or other state agency occupying quarters either in the State Capitol, or in adjoining state buildings, shall be delivered unstamped to the central mailing station. Account shall be kept of the postage required on such mail, which shall be a proper charge against the department or agency delivering such mail. (Act Apr. 24, 1929, c. 350, §2.)

23-3. Custodian to make use of labor saving devices.—In the handling of mail at the central mailing station the custodian shall make use of labor saving devices and machines when it is found economical to do so. (Act Apr. 24, 1929, c. 350, §3.)

Custodian cannot make purchases because of absence of appropriation. Op. Atty. Gen., Aug. 1, 1933.

23-4. Department to advance money for expenses.—To provide funds for the payment of postage each department or agency shall make advance payments from time to time to the custodian sufficient to cover

its postage obligations for at least thirty days. (Act Apr. 24, 1929, c. 350, §4.)

Custodian may not charge departments percentage as handling charge. Op. Atty. Gen., Aug. 1, 1933.

23-5. Billboards prohibited adjacent to Capitol.—No advertising billboards shall be erected or maintained on any lands adjoining the state capitol grounds, or within the distance of one-eighth of a mile from the center of the capitol building, except it be a billboard advertising a business conducted on the premises on which it is erected or maintained. (Act Apr. 26, 1929, c. 389, §1.)

23-6 Same; penalty.—Any person who shall violate the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Act Apr. 26, 1929, c. 389, §2.)

23-7. Appropriation for state owned telephone system.—There is hereby appropriated out of all monies not otherwise appropriated from the State Treasury the sum of \$47,000 for the purpose of acquiring and installing a state-owned automatic telephone system to serve the State Capitol, Administration and Historical Society buildings, said monies to be dispensed under the supervision of the Department of Administration and Finance. (Act Apr. 21, 1933, c. 388.)

Laws 1929, c. 401, authorizes St. Paul Camp No. 1, Sons of Veterans, to erect statue of Abraham Lincoln on capitol grounds.

CHAPTER 3

The Legislature

24. Sessions.

Electric roll call appropriation \$26,205.45. Laws 1939, c. 345.

29. Officers.—Thereupon, a quorum being present the respective houses shall elect, by a viva voce vote, and in the order hereinafter named, the following officers, any of whom may be removed by resolution of the appointing body:

The senate, a secretary, a first and a second assistant secretary, an enrolling clerk, an engrossing clerk, a sergeant-at-arms, an assistant sergeant-at-arms, and a chaplain.

The house, a speaker, who shall be a member thereof, a chief clerk, a first and a second assistant clerk, an index clerk, an assistant revision clerk, a sergeant-at-arms an assistant sergeant-at-arms, a postmaster, an assistant postmaster, and a chaplain. ((14) [29] See §31; Jan. 11, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 4, §1.)

33. Compensation and mileage.—The compensation of members, officers, and employees shall be at the following rates per day respectively:

(1) The secretary of the Senate and chief clerk of the House, ten dollars each; and, in addition thereto, each shall receive two hundred dollars for properly indexing the journals of their respective houses, and reading and correcting the printer's proofs thereof.

(2) The assistant secretaries and assistant clerks, seven dollars each.

(3) Clerks of committees such sum as may be fixed by a resolution of the appointing body, not exceeding ten dollars each.

(4) Messengers, not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents each.

(5) All other employees, for the time of service actually performed, five dollars each, unless fixed at a less sum by resolution of the appointing body.

(6) Assistants of the enrolling and engrossing clerks, who are not paid by the day, shall receive not exceeding eight cents per folio for matter properly transcribed by them, respectively, under the direction of such clerks.

(7) Each member shall receive mileage at the rate of fifteen cents per mile for the distance necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the place of meeting, computed from his place of residence. Provided, however, that the amount paid as mileage to each member shall not exceed the sum of \$200.00 during any session of the legislature. (17) [33]; Jan. 27, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 115, §1; July 22, 1937, Ex. Ses., c. 82, §1.)

33-1. Salaries of members.—The salaries of members of the legislature, the president of the Senate and Speaker of the House, shall be as provided respectively by Sections 35 and 37, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, as amended, or acts supplementary thereto. (Jan. 27, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 115, §2; July 22, 1937, Ex. Ses., c. 115, §2; July 22, 1937, Ex. Ses., c. 82, §2.)

33-2. Validation of payments.—All orders or warrants now or heretofore issued, or payments heretofore made, for mileage to members of the state legislature are hereby validated. (Jan. 27, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 115, §3; July 22, 1937, Ex. Ses., c. 82, §3.)

35. Compensation of members.—The compensation of members of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota shall be \$1,000 for the entire term to which they are elected, payable as follows: \$250 on the first day of February, \$250 on the fifteenth day of March of the year in which the regular legislative session is held, and \$500 on the last day of the regular legislative session; the compensation of Senators of the Legislature shall be \$2,-