

any time, alter the route, or any part of the route of their road, or any extension or branch thereof, or any part of their road, or any extension or branch as constructed, if it shall appear to them that the line can be improved thereby; but no railroad shall be so diverted from any county, town, city or village which, in its corporate capacity, shall have extended aid to such road, either while in the hands of the then present owners or any former person or corporation, without the consent of such county, town, city or village, and such consent shall be expressed by a vote of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the legal voters of such county, town, city or village at an election to be had for that purpose, and no such alteration shall be made in any city or village after the road shall have been constructed therein, unless the same shall have been sanctioned by a vote of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the council of such city or of the trustees of such village. Before making any such alteration the board of directors shall designate the route thereof, by a resolution, to be entered in its records, a copy of which shall be filed and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State. Thereupon it shall have the same rights and privileges to build such road, as altered, as if it were the original line.

Altering route of a railroad.

When vote of people required.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1881.

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE SEVENTH (7th) JUDICIAL DISTRICT TO COMPEL THE ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES BEFORE THE JOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES AGAINST THE MANAGEMENT OF THE ST. CLOUD NORMAL SCHOOL, AND TO COMPEL THE SAME TO TESTIFY.

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

SECTION 1. That the Judge of the District Court in and for the Seventh (7th) Judicial District, sitting at chambers, is hereby authorized and empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses before the joint special committee of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, appointed to investigate charges against the management of the St. Cloud Normal School, and the said Judge, sitting as aforesaid, shall have the same powers, with the same effect, in compelling

Compelling attendance of witnesses.

the attendance of witnesses and the taking of their testimony before said committee as in case of a general term of the District Court within and for said district, and the said judge is hereby authorized to compel obedience to the order of subpoenas.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 7, 1881.

CHAPTER 97.

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PURCHASE OF BOOKS FOR THE STATE LIBRARY.

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

SECTION 1. That the State Librarian, under the direction of the judges of the Supreme Court, is hereby authorized and directed to collect the insurance money due the State on the books of the State Library, and apply the same when collected, under the direction of the said judges, to the purchase of books for said library.

Collection of
insurance
money due.

SEC. 2. That the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purchase of books for said library, to be drawn on the warrant of the auditor and expended for said purpose by the State Librarian, under the direction of the said judges.

Purchase of
books.

SEC. 3. That the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700) is hereby appropriated as a contingent fund, to be expended for incidental expenses in procuring and arranging said books in said library, and such other expenses as may be necessarily incurred, said fund to be drawn and expended in like manner as in section two (2) of this act.

Contingent
fund.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved March 4, 1881.