

H. F. No. 667.

## CHAPTER 205.

*An act regulating and limiting the rate of interest to be charged upon certificates of sale of real property for assessments for local improvements and upon redemption of such certificates in cities of more than fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants.*

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

Interest on  
local im-  
provement  
assessments.

SECTION 1. That all certificates of sale hereafter issued by the proper authorities of any city of the State of Minnesota, now or hereafter containing a population of over fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants, according to the last national or state census, upon a sale of real property for any assessment for local improvement, shall, except where a lower rate is now provided by law, bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum, and all such certificates may be redeemed upon payment of the amount thereof with interest at the said rate.

*Provided*, that this act shall not prohibit the charging upon redemption of any such certificate before maturity, of interest for thirty days in addition to the interest which shall have accrued up to the time of such redemption.

SEC. 2. All acts or parts of acts, and all provisions of the charter of any city inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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H. F. No. 800.

## CHAPTER 206.

Clerks in  
auditor's  
office.

*An act to regulate the hiring and employment of deputies, clerks and assistants in the offices of county auditors in all counties in the State of Minnesota, having or which may hereafter have a population in each of not less than one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, and to fix the salaries that shall be paid to the county auditors and certain of their deputies, clerks and assistants in such counties.*

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

Counties of  
150,000 in-  
habitants  
or more.

SECTION 1. That in all counties in this state that now have or may hereafter have, according to the last com-

pleted state or national census, a population in each of not less than one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) inhabitants, the salary of the county auditor shall be and is hereby fixed as at the rate of forty-five hundred dollars, per annum, and in all such counties the auditor shall appoint and employ one chief deputy, who shall be paid at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars, per annum; one deputy and commissioner's clerk, who shall be paid at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars, per annum; one deputy and bookkeeper, who shall be paid at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars, per annum; one chief clerk and draughtsman, who shall be paid at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars, per annum; one deputy and one settlement clerk, who shall be paid at the rate of twelve hundred dollars, per annum each; three counter deputies, who shall be paid at the rate of eleven hundred dollars per annum each; five general clerks, who shall be paid at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum each; which above named salaries shall be payable out of the county treasury in equal monthly installments, except as hereinafter provided.

*Provided*, that any such county auditor shall have authority to command and employ without additional compensation to that of such deputy or other employe's usual compensation and when and as often and to such extent as said county auditor may deem proper, the services of any deputy or other employe in said county auditor's office, for any work of said office, whether or not such work be the usual work of such deputy or other employe or be partly or wholly the usual or proper function of some other deputy or employe;

Authority  
to county  
auditor.

And, *provided further*, that any such county auditor may, during any year, at his discretion and as often and for as long as he sees fit, reduce the number of said five general clerks, and that the salary amounts which may be so saved, together with whatever has been saved during such year, through necessary vacancies among the other deputies, clerks and assistants of said county auditor's office, may to any extent needful in said county auditor's judgment, be used in the same year by him in hiring extra clerks at the same rate of pay, respectively, as each of said general clerks, for any of the regular work of his office when the same is greater or more hurried than is common throughout the year.

May reduce  
number  
clerks.

SEC. 2. In each of said counties the board of county commissioners may, by resolution, authorize the county

Additional  
help.

auditor of such county to appoint and employ such help additional to what is provided for elsewhere in this act as may to such board at any time or times seem just, proper and necessary in carrying on the work of such county auditor's office, and the board shall in such authorizing resolution fix the rate of compensation payable out of the county treasury to be allowed to such extra help and limit the amount to be expended under such resolution.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 17, 1905.

H. F. No. 863.

#### CHAPTER 207.

*An act to prevent the fraudulent record of log marks and punish the unlawful use of log marks.*

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

Fraudulent  
log marks.

SECTION 1. Before any surveyor general of logs and lumber within this state shall record any log mark, the parties in whose name such log mark is sought to be recorded, shall satisfy the surveyor general, by competent evidence, that such person owns timber which he intends to cut into logs and desires to identify with such mark, or is a legitimate dealer in logs, or that he owns unmarked logs already cut and desires to identify them by such mark.

Penalty for  
violation.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall place a mark recorded in his name, or in the name of another, upon any log bearing no log mark, and which is the property of some person or party other than the recorded owner of the mark so placed upon said log, shall be guilty of larceny, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars and by imprisonment in the county jail not less than three months, and until said fine is paid.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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