

ipality not covered; option of former members. *Any former member who is an elected official or an employee of a municipality not covered by the public employees retirement association, has the option to continue his membership in the association for any period of service with the municipality. This option applies to future service as well as past service. Any person desiring to exercise this option shall make application to the board, shall designate the period of service for which he desired coverage and shall pay the employee contribution to the fund for such service at the rate of six percent of salary limited to \$4,800 per year. The municipality shall pay a matching amount plus the amount to amortize the deficit in the fund in the manner provided in sections 352.27 subdivision 5, 353.28. Contributions for any past service shall be paid with interest at the rate of four percent per annum compounded annually. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, no such person shall be entitled to credit for service with the public employees retirement association if for the same period of service he receives credit with any other public retirement or pension plan maintained by the municipality.*

Sec. 57. *Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 353.26, Subdivision 4; 353.29, Subdivision 5; 353.41; 353.43; 353.53, Subdivisions 3 and 4, are hereby repealed.*

Sec. 58. [482.23] **Public employees retirement board, change of name.** *The revisor of statutes is hereby authorized to change the name of the retirement board appearing in chapter 353 to the board of trustees.*

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 651—H. F. No. 1257

[Coded]

An act relating to public employees retirement association, providing for benefits for surviving spouse and dependent children; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 353.31, by adding new Subdivisions.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 353.31, is amended by adding new subdivisions thereto numbered 4 and 5, to read:

Subd. 4. *Whenever subsequent to April 29, 1957, but*

prior to July 1, 1957, a member died leaving surviving a spouse, with or without dependent children under 18 years of age, the surviving spouse and dependent children shall be entitled to the benefits provided by Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 353.31, Subdivisions 1 and 2, and for which they or any of them would qualify had the member died subsequent to June 30, 1957.

Subd. 5. Whenever subsequent to June 30, 1957, a member died and his surviving spouse qualified to receive a survivor's benefit under Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 353.31, applies for and receives instead a refundment under Section 353.32, the surviving spouse, upon repaying to the association within two years thereafter the amount of such refundment, with accrued interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, shall be paid the benefits provided by Section 353.31 for which she was qualified at the time of the death of the member as if she had not applied for or received such refundment.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 652—H. F. No. 1242

[Not Coded]

An act relating to Ramsey County; authorizing acceptance of bids in certain cases by the county.

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

Section 1. **Ramsey County. bids for services and materials.** Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 471.34 limiting and restricting the acceptance of bids for services and materials in the event only one bid is received does not apply to Ramsey County.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 653—H. F. No. 119

An act relating to gross earnings refunds to school districts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 128.22, Subdivisions 1, 3, and 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 128.22, Subdivision 6.

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