

using their own automobiles in the performance of their public duties; defining automobile allowance; and providing for authority to the governing body to enact an ordinance pertaining to the method and payment of such automobile allowance.

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

Section 1. **City employees, reimbursed for use of automobile.** The governing body of the city of Saint Paul is hereby authorized and empowered by ordinance to provide for the payment of automobile allowance to any city officer or employee who officially uses his own automobile in the performance of his public duties. Such ordinance shall include any limitations as to amount and persons qualified for such automobile allowance, the formula to be used for such allowance, and any other limitation or safeguard which the governing body deems to be expedient in the public interest.

Sec. 2. Automobile allowance is defined as the payment of compensation or reimbursement made by the city, through the use of any formula decided upon by the governing body, to an officer or employee for the use of his own automobile in the performance of his public duty.

Sec. 3. The governing body of the said city shall have full authority and control, free from any other limitation except as provided in this act, to provide the method of payment, the formula for payment and the amount of such automobile allowance to be paid. This act, insofar as the city is concerned, shall be deemed to be paramount to any other statute of the state of Minnesota now existing.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective upon approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul.

Approved April 17, 1959.

CHAPTER 330—H. F. No. 217

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the City of Saint Paul, pertaining to certain sidewalk construction projects therein and the financing thereof; and amending Laws of Minnesota 1957, Chapter 205.

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

Section 1. That Laws of Minnesota 1957, Chapter-205, is hereby amended to read:

Section 1. Sidewalk construction. *In the city of Saint Paul*, which city has a home rule charter providing for an appropriation to be expended each year in paying the city's share of the cost of street paving, construction of trunk or main sewers and bridges, including right-of-way, there shall be added to such authority the authority to expend such appropriation for the city's share in the cost of street grading projects *and sidewalk construction projects*. *Said city* shall have the authority to share the cost of such street grading projects *and sidewalk construction projects* when the cost of such projects exceeds the benefits which can be assessed against abutting property and when the projects will result in a public benefit. The projects for which such an appropriation may be made hereunder and the amount of the total appropriation for any one project shall be determined jointly by the department of finance and the department of public works of *said city*. No project shall be financed out of the appropriations of *said city* unless authorized by the governing body thereof.

Section 2. *This act shall become effective only after its approval by a majority of the governing body of the city of Saint Paul.*

Approved April 17, 1959.

CHAPTER 331—H. F. No. 935

[Not Coded]

An act authorizing the commissioner of conservation to sell certain lands.

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

Section 1. Sale of state land. The commissioner of conservation is authorized to sell the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$) and the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twelve (12), Township Fifty-eight (58), Range Seventeen (17), in St. Louis County, in the same manner as provided by law for the sale of other swamplands, notwithstanding that such lands have been withdrawn from sale in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 92.45.

Sec. 2. The rights of all waters in or on the lands involved shall be reserved and vested in the State of Minnesota all acts or parts of acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved April 17, 1959.
