or 375.33, the copy will be provided to any public library in the county upon its request.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 1982, section 14.52, is amended to read: 14.52 COURT REPORTERS; AUDIO RECORDINGS.

The office of administrative hearings may maintain a court reporter system and in addition to or in lieu thereof may contract with nongovernmental sources for court reporter services. The court reporters may additionally be utilized as the chief hearing examiner directs. Unless the chief hearing examiner determines that the use of a court reporter is more appropriate, an audio magnetic recording device shall be used to keep a record at any hearing which takes place under this chapter. In all cases arising under chapter 176, the chief hearing examiner shall use audio magnetic recording devices to keep the record of hearings except when there are more than two primary parties in a case and the chief hearing examiner determines that the use of a court reporter is more appropriate. If the chief hearing examiner determines that the use of a court reporter is more appropriate, the cost of the court reporter shall be paid by the state. If the chief hearing examiner determines that the use of an audio magnetic recording device is more appropriate in a hearing under chapter 176, any party to that hearing may provide a court reporter at the party's expense. Court reporters provided by a party shall be selected from the chief hearing examiner's list of nongovernmental sources.

The fee charged by a court reporter to a party shall not exceed the fee which would be charged to the state pursuant to the court reporter's contract with the state.

Court reporters serving in the court reporter system of the office of administrative hearings shall be in the classified service. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 15.17, subdivision 4, copies of transcriptions of hearings conducted pursuant to sections 14.48 to 14.56 may be obtained only through the office of administrative hearings.

The departmental and classification seniority of an individual who was employed as a court reporter in state service prior to his appointment as a court reporter in the office of administrative hearings pursuant to Laws 1975, chapter 380, section 16, shall carry forward and be credited to his employment with the office of administrative hearings.

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CHAPTER 211 — H.F.No. 1108

An act relating to drainage; permitting a county board to cancel ditch assessments related to vacated town roads; proposing new law coded in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 106.

Changes or additions are indicated by <u>underline</u>, deletions by strikeout.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. [106.383] ASSESSMENT FOR VACATED TOWN ROADS.

When a town is assessed for benefits to a town road in any ditch proceeding under this chapter and the town road is subsequently vacated by the town board under section 164.07, the town board may petition the county board or joint county ditch authority to cancel the assessment. The county board or joint county ditch authority may cancel the assessment if it finds that the town road for which benefits are assessed has been vacated under section 164.07.

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CHAPTER 212 — H.F.No. 1111

An act relating to local government; regulating town levies in Crow Wing county; repealing Laws 1941, chapter 451.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. REPEALER.

Laws 1941, chapter 451 is repealed.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 645.023, subdivision 1, clause (b), section 1 is effective without local approval for taxes levied in 1983 and thereafter and payable in 1984 and thereafter.

Approved May 20, 1983

CHAPTER 213 — H.F.No. 1171

An act relating to taxation; clarifying the income tax treatment of certain debt obligations of state and local governments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 80A.09, subdivision 1; 115A.69, subdivision 6; 116A.25; 116J.89, subdivision 6; 136.32; 136A.179; 136A.39; 193.146, subdivision 4; 272.02, subdivision 1; 362A.07; 447.35; 447.49; 458.193, subdivision 6; 458A.05, subdivision 6; 458A.09; 462.191, subdivision 3; 462.551; 462A.19, subdivision 1; 472.09, subdivision 4; 473.436, subdivision 6; 473.448; 473.545; and 473.666; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1982, sections 116J.89, subdivision 7; 462A.19, subdivision 2; and 474.12.

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