

CHAPTER 284—H. F. No. 1376

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5554, relating to the hours for taking migratory game birds.

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

Sec. 1. **Law amended.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 5554, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 5554. **Hours for taking migratory game birds.**—Migratory game birds may be taken each day only from one-half hour before sunrise until sunset during the open season therefor; provided, that no such birds shall be taken before *seven o'clock A. M.* on the first day of the open season therefor.

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

Approved April 19, 1937.

CHAPTER 285—H. F. No. 1335

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1938-4, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 256, relating to the incurring and payment of municipal and school district obligations in certain cases.

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

Section 1. **Law amended.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1938-4, as amended by Laws of 1935, Chapter 256, be amended so as to read as follows:

"1938-4. **Obligations of cities, villages, etc.—amount of limitation on net indebtedness.**—No municipality, except school districts, shall hereafter incur or be subject to a net debt beyond ten per cent of the last assessed valuation, as finally equalized, of all taxable property therein, including moneys and credits, *provided, however, that municipalities receiving special state aid under the provisions of Chapter 259, Laws of 1923 may incur, by a vote of a majority of the electors of such municipality, an indebtedness not to exceed twenty per cent of such assessed valuation*, and no school district shall incur or become subject to a net debt beyond twenty per cent of such assessed valuation; provided that no city of the first class shall be subject to a net debt beyond five per cent (5%) of such assessed valuation unless the Charter for such city contains a provi-

sion to that effect; provided that this act shall not be construed as increasing the limit of debt, if any, prescribed by the special law or home rule charter under which any municipality is organized; provided further, that no independent school district located wholly or partly within a city of the first class shall have power to issue any bonds or any evidence of indebtedness unless first thereunto authorized by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body of the city within which such school district is situated in whole or in part; and no such school district shall have power to issue bonds or any evidence of indebtedness running more than two years, whenever the aggregate of the outstanding bonds and evidence of indebtedness of such district equals or exceeds three and one-half per cent of the assessed value of all the taxable property within such school district; provided, further, however, that if the net indebtedness of any municipality shall exceed the limit applicable thereto as provided herein, at the time this act takes effect, but was not in excess of the limit of debt prescribed by law at the time the indebtedness was incurred, such municipality may issue and sell, pursuant to the provisions hereof, obligations to refund any of such indebtedness at the time of the maturity thereof, if there are not sufficient funds to pay the same.

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CHAPTER 286—H. F. No. 1159

An act fixing the liability of counties in which the town system of caring for the poor prevails and for the making of levies for caring for the poor and the distribution of moneys so levied, to the municipalities therein.

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

Section 1. Liability of counties for care of poor.—In all counties of this state wherein the poor are cared for under the town system, if the expense incurred by any town, village or city, however organized, for the care of the poor therein, in any calendar year, exceeds an amount in excess of one mill of the taxable value of property in such town, village or city for that year, the county in which said town, village or city is situated, shall be liable for seventy-five per cent of the amount in excess of such one mill on the taxable value of property in such town, city or village.

Sec. 2. County board to make estimate—tax levy.—The County Board, at its first meeting in January of each year, shall estimate the amount which it shall deem necessary for such purpose,