mine whether such petition is signed by the required number of freeholders and shall certify such fact thereon and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence thereof in any action or proceeding for the recovery of the costs, charges and expenses of any examination made pursuant to such petition.

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

Approved April 24, 1937.

## CHAPTER 416—S. F. No. 523

An act to regulate the calling for bids by municipalities, and providing for the preparation of specifications.

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

- Section 1. Bids for purchase of supplies.—Whenever any county, township, city, borough, village or school district in this state calls for bids for the purchase of any supplies or equipment, no bid submitted shall be accepted unless competitive bids have also been submitted.
- Section 2. Bids shall not be exclusive.—Specifications for supplies and equipment shall not be so prepared as to exclude all but one type or kind but shall include competitive supplies and equipment.
- Section 3. Application of act.—The provisions of this act shall not apply to non-competitive types and kinds of supplies and equipment.
- Section 4. Violation a gross misdemeanor.—The violation of any of the provisions of this act shall be a gross misdemeanor.

Approved April 24, 1937.

## CHAPTER 417-H. F. No. 505

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 5817, 5818, 5819, 5820, 5821 and 5822, relating to the business or practice of embalming and/or funeral directing, the regulation thereof, and the licensing and registration of persons engaged therein; and