

soon thereafter as may be. If upon such hearing the petition shall be sustained the court shall issue an order of condemnation and fix the time within which the building or structure shall be destroyed, repaired or altered in compliance with such order, and that upon failure of the proper person or persons to comply with the said order the state fire marshal shall proceed with the destruction thereof. If upon the hearing the petition of the state fire marshal is not sustained the court shall deny the petition.

In all cases where the order of the court has not been complied with and the state fire marshal is authorized to proceed with the demolition of any building or structure, the state fire marshal shall sell and dispose of the salvage materials therefrom at public auction upon three days' posted notice, and all expenses incurred by the state fire marshal shall be paid out of the moneys received from such auction of salvage material and any deficit remaining unpaid thereafter may be paid out of the funds created by and provided for in Section 5973 of Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927. Should any surplus remain of the amount received for salvage material after deducting the expenses incurred by the State Fire Marshal such surplus shall be paid to the county treasurer of the county where the property was situated to be distributed by him as provided by law.

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CHAPTER 201—H. F. No. 700

An act authorizing the destruction of certain county vouchers, files, records and papers; and to amend the 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 836-1.

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

Section 1. Destruction of county records.—The 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 836-1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"836-1. That the auditors of the several counties be and they hereby are authorized, with the consent and approval of their county boards and judge of the district court, to destroy the following vouchers, files, records and papers of their offices at the time and under the conditions herein specified:

1. Claims and vouchers paid by the county more than *ten* years prior to such destruction ;
2. Receipts for taxes paid more than *ten* years prior thereto ;
3. Treasurers' checks paid more than *ten* years prior thereto ;
4. Receipts for mortgage registration taxes paid more than *ten* years prior thereto.
5. Miscellaneous receipts, delinquent tax statements and miscellaneous papers and correspondence bearing dates more than *ten* years prior thereto ;
6. With written approval of the treasurer county warrants paid more than *ten* years prior thereto ; and
7. All ballots and election returns, except the abstracts of the county canvassing board, *two* years after the date of the election.

Provided, however, that the said auditor, instead of personally destroying any miscellaneous papers and correspondence, or any other documents, instruments, or papers which may be of historical value, shall forward the same to the historical society, St. Paul, Minnesota, and such society is authorized to permanently preserve any matter found therein deemed by it to be of historical value and to destroy all other documents, papers and matters so received by it."

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CHAPTER 202—H. F. No. 713

An act relating to sanitary districts embracing two or more contiguous cities of the first class so as to authorize each of such cities to use funds collected from sewer rentals to pay each city's share of the current operation and maintenance costs of such sanitary district system, including drains, intercepting sewers, pumping stations, and other structures used exclusively by each such city and forming a part of the sewage disposal system, in addition to the use of such funds for the payment of the debt incurred for the construction of such sewage disposal system; and to amend the 1938 Supplement to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1607-24.