

Section 1. **Probate judge's salary.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, the judge of the probate court of St. Louis county shall receive an annual salary of \$14,500 as full compensation for all services and shall be reimbursed for traveling and other expenses incurred in connection with the duties of his office as are permitted by law.

Sec. 2. Laws 1955, Chapter 747, Section 2, as amended by Extra Session Laws 1959, Chapter 3, Section 2, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. Such referee shall receive from the county as compensation for his services as referee a salary of \$1,500 per annum in addition to his compensation as clerk of such court, payable from the general revenue fund of the county not otherwise appropriated, at the same time and in the same manner and subject to the provisions of law applicable to the compensation of the judge *and shall be reimbursed for traveling and other expenses incurred in connection with the duties of his office as are permitted by law.* No such referee shall be counsel or attorney in any action or proceeding nor shall he give counsel or advice, nor shall he appear or practice as an attorney in any manner or proceeding before any court of law or equity. The county shall furnish him with a suitable office in the courthouse or in some other suitable place or places designated by the judge. The judge may assign to the referee from the court's clerks and employees such clerical help as may be necessary to enable him properly to discharge his duties.

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CHAPTER 611—H. F. No. 1038

An act relating to motor vehicles; exempting certain motor vehicles from taxation while being towed upon streets and highways; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 168.28.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 168.28, is amended to read:

168.28 **Vehicles subject to tax, exceptions.** Every motor vehicle (except those exempted in section 168.012, *and except those exempted in section 168.012 which are be-*

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ing towed upon the streets and highways and which shall not be deemed to be using the streets and highways within the meaning of this section) shall be deemed to be one using the public streets and highways and hence as such subject to taxation under this act if such motor vehicle has since April 23, 1921, used such public streets or highways, or shall actually use them, or if it shall come into the possession of an owner other than as a manufacturer, dealer, warehouseman, mortgagee or pledgee. New and unused motor vehicles in the possession of a dealer solely for the purpose of sale, and used or second-hand motor vehicles which have not theretofore used the public streets or highways of this state which are in the possession of a dealer solely for the purpose of sale and which are duly listed as herein provided, shall not be deemed to be vehicles using the public streets or highways. The driving or operating of a motor vehicle upon the public streets or highways of this state by a motor vehicle dealer or any employee of such motor vehicle dealer for demonstration purposes or for any purpose incident to the usual and customary conduct and operation of his business in which he has been licensed under section 168.27 to engage, or solely for the purpose of moving it from points outside or within the state to the place of business or storage of a licensed dealer within the state or solely for the purpose of moving it from the place of business of a manufacturer, or licensed dealer within the state to the place of business or residence of a purchaser outside the state, shall not be deemed to be using the public streets or highways in the state within the meaning of this chapter or of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article 16, and shall not be held to make the motor vehicle subject to taxation under this chapter as one using the public streets or highways, if during such driving or moving the dealer's plates herein provided for shall be duly displayed upon such vehicle. Any dealer or distributor may register a motor vehicle prior to its assessment or taxation as personal property, and pay the license fee and tax thereon for the full calendar year as one using the public streets and highways, and thereafter such vehicle shall be deemed to be one using the public streets and highways and shall not be subject to assessment or taxation as personal property during the calendar year for which it is so registered, whether or not such vehicle shall actually have used the streets or highways.

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