

the sale and transfer of the Lac qui Parle Flood Control Project to the United States of America, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of aiding in the reconstruction of the Brendemoen road within said town and lying within the Lac qui Parle Reservoir and below the 945 contour line project datum.

Approved February 19, 1955.

CHAPTER 41—H. F. No. 113

An act relating to interest of public officers in public contracts, providing a penalty for violation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 471.87, 471.88.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 471.87, is amended to read:

471.87 Public officers, interest in contract. Except as authorized in section 471.88, a public officer who is authorized to take part in any manner in making any sale, lease, or contract in his official capacity shall not voluntarily have a personal financial interest in *that* sale, lease, or contract or personally benefit financially therefrom. Every public officer who violates this provision is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 471.88, is amended to read:

471.88 Exceptions. The governing body of any town, school district, village, or city, by unanimous vote, *may* contract for goods or services with an interested officer of the governmental unit in any of the following cases:

(a) The designation of a bank in which the officer is interested as an authorized depository for public funds when it is the only bank in the governmental unit;

(b) The designation of an official newspaper, or publication of official matters *therein*, in which the officer is interested when it is the only newspaper complying with statutory or charter requirements relating to the designation or publication;

(c) A contract with a cooperative association of which the officer is a shareholder or stockholder but not an officer or manager;

(d) Subject to section 365.37, a contract for which competitive bids are not required and involving not more than \$500, when the commodity or service contracted for cannot be otherwise obtained either in the governmental unit or in a contiguous like governmental unit.

(e) *A contract with a volunteer fire department for the payment of compensation to its members or for the payment of retirement benefits to these members.*

(f) *A contract with a municipal band for the payment of compensation to its members.*

Approved February 19, 1955.

CHAPTER 42—H. F. No. 148

(Not Coded)

An act relating to Firemen's Relief Association and firemen's pensions, and pensions to their families, in certain cities of the fourth class; amending Laws 1941, Chapter 196, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Laws 1941, Chapter 196, Section 1, is amended to read:

Section 1. **Firemen, pensions.** *Subdivision 1.* In any city of the fourth class situated in a county having not less than 24,000 nor more than 26,000 inhabitants, and having an assessed valuation of not less than \$10,000,000 nor more than \$14,000,000, exclusive of money and credits, and containing not less than 550,000 nor more than 552,000 acres, and having a Firemen's Relief Association, such association shall pay retirement pensions as set forth in the following subdivisions.

Subd. 2. To any member who has retired as of January 1, 1955, not more than \$60 a month. This amount may be increased by not more than \$2 a month for each year over 20 years of active duty, but no such member shall receive over \$80 a month.

Subd. 3. To any member who retires after January 1, 1955, not more than \$100 a month. This amount may be increased by not more than \$5 a month for each year over 20 years of active duty, but no such member shall receive over \$150 a month.