

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 558

Approved by the Governor March 13, 1978

Introduced by Reutzell, 15

AN ACT to amend section 16-691, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, relating to first-class cities; to change signature requirements on orders for disbursement of funds; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 16-691, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

16-691. The mayor and council may by ordinance confer upon the board of public works the active direction and supervision of such system of waterworks, power plant, sewerage, heating or lighting plant, and the erection and construction of the same. In such event, the duties of the water commissioner, as enumerated in section 16-690, shall devolve upon the board of public works. The board may provide that such duties be performed by such employee or employees as it may direct. It shall make reports to the mayor and council as often as said mayor and council may require. In like manner the mayor and council may confer upon such board the active direction and supervision of the system of streets and alleys. The mayor and council may, by ordinance, authorize and empower said board of public works to employ necessary laborers and clerks, to purchase material for the operation and maintenance of said systems, and to draw its orders on the several funds in the hands of the city treasurer to the credit of said various systems in payment of salaries, labor, and material; Provided, the board of public works shall submit for the approval of the mayor and city council, all extensions or projects costing in excess of five thousand dollars. The mayor and council may, by ordinance, authorize and empower the board of public works to cooperate and participate in a plan of insurance designed and intended for the benefit of the employees of any public utility operated by the city. For that purpose the board of public works may make contributions to pay premiums or dues under such plan, authorize deductions from salaries of employees, and take such other steps as may be necessary to effectuate such plan of insurance. All orders for the disbursement of funds shall be signed by the chairman and secretary of said

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board or by any two members of the board who have previously been designated for that purpose by a resolution duly adopted by such board, and shall be paid by the treasurer; Provided, payroll checks only may be signed by any one member of the board who has previously been designated for that purpose by a resolution duly adopted by said board.

Sec. 2. That original section 16-691, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, is repealed.