

under his immediate personal supervision and control at all times, and shall carefully extinguish the fire before quitting the place."

Sec. 2. Neglect or refusal to perform duty—penalty.—That Section 25 General Laws 1925, Chapter 407, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 25. Every forestry employe of the state who shall unjustifiably refuse or neglect to perform his duty; every person who shall kindle a fire on or near forest, brush or prairie land and leave it unquenched, or be a party thereto, or who shall set fire to brush, stumps, dry grass, field stubble, or other material and fail to extinguish the same before it has endangered the property of another, every person who shall negligently or carelessly set on fire or cause to be set on fire, any woods, prairie, or other combustible material, whether on his own land or not, by means whereof the property of another shall be endangered, or who shall negligently suffer any fire upon his own lands to extend beyond the limits thereof; every person who shall use other than incombustible wads for firearms, or carry a naked torch, firebrand, or exposed light in or near forest land, or who, upon any such land or in the vicinity thereof, or on or along any public or private road, trail, path, railroad right of way or road bed, or other public or private way of any kind running over or along or in the vicinity of any such land, shall throw or drop any burning match, ashes of pipe, lighted cigar or cigarette, or any other burning substance, and who fails to extinguish the same immediately; every person who drives upon or over forest lands in a motor vehicle with an open cutout or without a muffler on the exhaust pipe; and every person who shall deface, destroy, or remove any notice posted under this act; shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars and not exceeding one hundred dollars and costs of prosecution, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days and not exceeding ninety days."

Approved April 19, 1929.

CHAPTER 262—H. F. No. 1077

An act relating to depositaries of public moneys.

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

Section 1. Certain banks may be depositaries.—In every case where a bank which is eligible under the provisions of General Laws 1927, Chapter 381, merges or consolidates with another bank under the charter of either, such consolidated bank shall, so long as all taxes levied and assessed against its shares under the laws of this state subsequent to such consolidation are paid as required by law, be eligible to receive deposits of public moneys under said act.

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CHAPTER 263—H. F. No. 1222

An act providing for fidelity insurance of state officers and employes.

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

Section 1. State may take fidelity insurance.—The comptroller from time to time shall make surveys of each department or other agency of the state government to determine the employes in such department or agency whose fidelity should be assured by individual bond or fidelity insurance policy, and the amount of such bond or insurance necessary for each such employe, and shall submit a list thereof to the commission of administration and finance for its action thereon. The commission may approve in whole or in part and shall certify its action thereon to the directing head of each such department or agency, who shall require each of the employes so listed to give bond to the state in the amount indicated in such certificate. The commission in such certificate may direct that, in lieu of individual bonds so required, the directing head of any such department or agency shall procure and keep in effect a group insurance policy, in such aggregate amount as the commission shall direct, insuring the fidelity of such department employes in the respective amounts so required but subject to the usual provision for schedule substitution in case of change in personnel during the time the insurance is in effect. Such policy may cover also the subordinate officers of such department required by law to give bond to the state, and in the amount of such requirement. All policies and bonds issued under this act shall run to the state and after approval by the comptroller shall be filed with the secretary of state.

Sec. 2. Payment of premium.—Where fidelity insurance is effected in any department or agency under the provisions of this