

nothing herein contained shall prohibit any municipality from making and enforcing more stringent requirements than those set forth herein, and that such requirements shall be complied with by all licensed electricians working within the jurisdiction of such municipalities.

No electrical installation shall be connected for use until proof has been furnished to the person, firm or corporation supplying electrical energy for such installation that the regulations above recited have been complied with. Proof of such compliance shall consist of a certificate furnished by a municipal or other recognized inspection department or officer, or if there is no such inspection department or officer, it shall consist of an affidavit furnished by the contractor or other person doing the wiring, certifying that there has been such compliance. For transient projects requiring temporary electrical service or for projects in process of construction, the person, firm, or corporation furnishing electric current shall not be required to obtain a certificate of inspection or an affidavit of compliance with the requirements above stated, until completion of said projects.

Any person who shall engage for a valuable consideration in the business of installing or repairing electrical wire or apparatus without having complied with the laws respecting registration and license, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Sec. 9. Law amended.—That a new section be added to Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927 to be numbered 5879-A to read as follows:

"5879-A. Provisions severable.—If any section of this Act, or any part thereof, shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall extend only to the section or part thereof affected, and every other section and part thereof shall be continued in full force and effect."

Approved April 21, 1937.

CHAPTER 315—H. F. No. 512

An act to establish an unpaid commission on inter-state cooperation.

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

Section 1. Senate committee on interstate cooperation established.—There is hereby established a standing committee of the Senate of this state, to be officially known as the Senate Committee on Inter-state Cooperation, and to consist of five senators. The members and the chairman of this committee shall be designated in the same manner as is customary in the case of the members and chairman of other standing committees of the Senate. In addition to the regular members, the president of the Senate shall be ex-officio an honorary non-voting member of this committee.

Sec. 2. House committee on interstate cooperation established.—There is hereby established a similar standing committee of the House of Representatives of this state, to be officially known as the House Committee on Inter-state Cooperation, and to consist of five members of the House of Representatives. The members and the chairman of this committee shall be designated in the same manner as is customary in the case of the members and chairmen of other standing committees of the House of Representatives. In addition to the regular members, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be ex-officio an honorary non-voting member of this committee.

Sec. 3. Governor's committee on interstate cooperation established.—There is hereby established a committee of administrative officials and employees of this state to be officially known as the Governor's Committee on Inter-state Cooperation, and to consist of five members. Its members shall be: the Budget Director or the corresponding official of this state, ex-officio; the Attorney General, ex-officio; the chief of the staff of the State Planning Board or the corresponding official of this state, ex-officio; and two other administrative officials or employees to be designated by the Governor. If there is uncertainty as to the identity of any of the ex-officio members of this committee, the Governor shall determine the question, and his determination and designation shall be conclusive. The Governor shall appoint one of the five members of this Committee as its chairman. In addition to the regular members, the Governor shall be ex-officio an honorary non-voting member of this committee.

Sec. 4. Minnesota commission on interstate cooperation.—There is hereby established the Minnesota Commission on Interstate Cooperation. This Commission shall be composed of fifteen regular members, namely:

The five members of the Senate Committee on Inter-
state Cooperation,

The five members of the House Committee on Inter-
state Cooperation, and

The five members of the Governor's Committee on
Inter-state Cooperation.

The Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be ex-officio honorary non-voting members of this Commission. The Chairman of the Governor's Committee on Inter-state Cooperation shall be ex-officio Chairman of this Commission.

Sec. 5. Senate council and House council of American legislators.—The said standing Committee of the Senate and the said standing Committee of the House of Representatives shall function during the regular sessions of the legislature and also during the interim periods between such sessions during the term of their respective offices and until their successors are designated by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, respectively; and they shall respectively constitute for this state the Senate Council and House Council of the American Legislators' Association. The incumbency of each administrative member of this Commission shall extend until the first day of February next following his appointment, and thereafter until his successor is appointed.

Sec. 6. Functions of committees.—It shall be the function of this Commission:

(1) To carry forward the participation of this state as a member of the Council of State Governments.

(2) To encourage and assist the legislative, executive, administrative and judicial officials and employees of this state to develop and maintain friendly contact by correspondence, by conference, and otherwise, with officials and employees of the other States, of the Federal Government, and of local units of government.

(3) To endeavor to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government whenever it seems advisable to do so by formulating proposals for, and by facilitating:

(a) The adoption of compacts,

(b) The enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes,

(c) The adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules and regulations,

(d) The informal cooperation of governmental offices with one another,

(e) The personal cooperation of governmental officials and employees with one another, individually,

(f) The interchange and clearance of research and information, and

(g) Any other suitable process.

(4) In short, to do all such acts as will, in the opinion of this Commission, enable this State to do its part, or more than its part in forming a more perfect union among the various governments in the United States and in developing the Council of State Governments for that purpose.

Sec. 7. Powers and duties.—The Commission shall establish such delegations and committees as it deems advisable, in order that they may confer and formulate proposals concerning effective means to secure interstate harmony, and may perform other functions for the Commission in obedience to its decisions. Subject to the approval of the Commission, the member or members of each such delegation or committee shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Commission. State officials or employees who are not members of the Commission on Inter-state Cooperation may be appointed as members of any such delegation or committee, but private citizens holding no governmental position in this state shall not be eligible. The Commission may provide such other rules as it considers appropriate concerning the membership and the functioning of any such delegation or committee. The Commission may provide for advisory boards for itself and for its various delegations and committees, and may authorize private citizens to serve on such boards.

Sec. 8. Shall report to Governor.—The Commission shall report to the Governor and to the Legislature within fifteen days after the convening of each regular legislative session, and at such other times as it deems appropriate. Its members and the members of all delegations and committees which it establishes shall serve without compensation for such service, but they shall be paid their necessary expenses in carrying out their obligations under this act. The Commission may employ a secretary and a stenographer, it may incur such other expenses as may be necessary for the proper performance of its duties, and it may, by contributions to the Council of State Governments, participate with other states in maintaining the said Council's district and central secretariats, and its other governmental services.

Sec. 9. Informal titles.—The Committees and the Commission established by this Act shall be informally known, respectively, as the Senate Cooperation Committee, the House Cooperation Committee, the Governor's Cooperation Committee and the Minnesota Cooperation Commission.

Sec. 10. To be joint governmental agencies.—The Council of State Governments is hereby declared to be a joint governmental agency of this state and of the other states which cooperate through it.

Sec. 11. Secretary of State to inform other officials of Act.—The Secretary of State shall forthwith communicate the text of this measure to the Governor, to the Senate and to the House of Representatives, of each of the other states of the Union, and shall advise each legislature which has not already done so that it is hereby memorialized to enact a law similar to this measure, thus establishing a similar commission, and thus joining with this State in the common cause of reducing the burdens which are imposed upon the citizens of every state by governmental confusion, competition and conflict.

Sec. 12. Effective immediately.—This act shall take effect immediately.

Sec. 13. Acts severable.—If any clause or other portion of this Act is held to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Act. The Legislature hereby declares that all such remaining portions of this Act are severable, and that it would have enacted such remaining portions if the invalid portions had not been included in this Act.

Approved April 21, 1937.

CHAPTER 316—S. F. No. 535

An act to amend Section 3646 of Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, as amended by Laws 1931, Chapter 151, and Laws 1935, Chapter 269, relating to the organization of township mutual fire insurance companies.

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

Section 1. Organization of township mutual fire insurance companies.—That Section 3646 of Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, as amended by Laws of 1931, Chapter 151 and Laws 1935, Chapter 269 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“It shall be lawful for any number of persons not less than twenty-five (25) residing in adjoining towns in this State who shall collectively own property worth at least Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to form themselves into a company or corporation for mutual insurance against loss or damage by fire or lightning. No such company shall operate in more than *one hundred twenty-five (125)* towns in the aggregate at the same time provided, that when any such company confines its operations to one county it may