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5332. Fees for examination of banks, etc.—Each bank, trust company, savings bank, local or general building and loan association organized under the laws of this state, shall pay into the state treasury for each authorized regular or special examination made at any time by the superintendent of banks of such institution, a fee to be determined as follows:

In case of state banks, trust companies, or savings banks, for each examination a minimum fee of $37.50 plus an amount equal to three cents for each $1,000 of assets in excess of $25,000, and not exceeding $5,000,000, and plus an amount equal to one and one-half cents for each $1,000 of assets over $5,000,000, and in the case of trust companies an additional amount equal to one and one-half cents for each $1,000 value of properties held in trust for the benefit of others.

In the case of local or general building and loan associations, for each examination, a minimum fee of $15.00 plus an amount equal to 2c for each $1,000 of assets in excess of $15,000 and not exceeding $5,000,000 and plus an amount equal to 1c for each $1,000 of assets over $5,000,000.

Said fees shall be paid by the institution examined within twenty days after a statement of the amount thereof shall have been rendered the institution examined by the superintendent of banks, and if not so paid shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. (’09 c. 201 § 14, amended ’17 c. 299; ’19 c. 138; 229 c. 247 § 1) [4635]

5333. Inconsistent acts repealed—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. (’23 c. 247 § 2)

5334. Certain securities to be deposited with State treasurer—All securities required or permitted by law to be assigned to and deposited with the superintendent of banks for any purpose shall hereafter be assigned to and deposited with the state treasurer who shall give his receipt therefor, and such receipt shall be filed with the superintendent of banks, in lieu of the securities, and in such case, neither the superintendent of banks nor his bondsmen shall be responsible for the safekeeping of such securities, and the state treasurer shall perform all the duties with regard to the safekeeping of such securities which the superintendent of banks is now required to perform, and the state treasurer shall be subject to the same obligations and under the same liability, with reference to the safekeeping of such securities, as the superintendent of banks.

Forthwith, after the taking effect of this act, the superintendent of banks shall duly assign to the state treasurer all securities heretofore assigned to him under any law of this state, and shall deposit with the state treasurer all securities now in his possession under any law of this state, and the state treasurer shall issue his receipt therefor to the superintendent of banks who shall file the same in his office; and thereafter, the state treasurer shall be responsible for the safekeeping of such securities to the same extent as if assigning to and depositing with him after the passage of this act. The state treasurer shall accept, receive, store, and permit substitution of securities assigned to and deposited with him under the provisions of this act, upon order of the superintendent of banks. The superintendent of banks is hereby authorized to deliver to the state treasurer the steel vault fixtures and safety deposit boxes now being used by him for the safekeeping of the securities referred to herein. (’23 c. 155 § 1)

5335. Inconsistent acts repealed—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. (’23 c. 155 § 2)

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5336. State board of health—The state board of health shall consist of nine members, learned in sanitary science, who shall be appointed by the governor for such periods that the terms of three members will end on the first Monday of January in each year. Vacancies therein shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired terms, and each member shall serve until his successor is appointed. (2128) [4637]

5337. Meetings—Officers—Quorum—The board shall hold an annual meeting at the capitol on the second Tuesday in January, at which it shall elect from its members a president. Regular meetings shall be held at the same place on the second Tuesdays in April, July and October of each year. Special meetings may be held at such times and places as the secretary or any two members of the board shall appoint, upon three days' notice to the members by mail. The board shall elect a secretary, to serve during its pleasure, and, in the absence or disability of the secretary, shall perform all the duties imposed upon the latter by law, and be paid therefor; but he may appoint a secretary pro tern, to serve during his absence or disability. (2129) [4637]

5338. General duties of officers—The president shall preside at meetings when present, and, in the absence or disability of the secretary, shall perform all the duties imposed upon the latter by law, and be paid therefor; but he may appoint a secretary pro tern., to keep the minutes of a meeting. The secretary shall be the executive officer of the board, and, in addition to keeping a record of its proceedings, shall see that all lawful rules and orders of the board, and all duties laid upon it by law, are enforced and performed, and that every law enacted in the interests of human health is obeyed. And he shall be the custodian of the official records and documents of the board. (2129) [4637]

5339. General duties of board—Reports—The board shall exercise general supervision over all health officers and boards; take cognizance of the interests of health and life among the people; investigate sanitary conditions, learn the cause and source of diseases and epidemics, observe the effect upon human health of localities and employments, and gather and diffuse proper information upon all subjects to which its duties relate. It shall gather, collate and publish medical and vital statistics of general value, and advise all state officials and boards in hygienic and medical matters—especially those involved in the proper location, construction, sewager and administration of prisons, hospitals, asylums and other public institutions. It shall report its doings and discoveries to the legislature at each regular session thereof, with such information and recommendations as it shall deem useful. (2130) [4639]

5340. State board of health to provide instruction—The Minnesota State Board of Health hereinafter referred to as the Board is hereby authorized to provide instruction and advice to expectant mothers during pregnancy and confinement and to mothers and their infants after childbirth; and to employ such persons as may be necessary to carry out the requirements of this act. (21 c. 392 § 1)

5341. Instruction and advice given on application—Such instruction, advice and care shall be given only to applicants residing within the state. (21 c. 392 § 2)

5342. Identity of applicant not to be disclosed—No woman receiving aid under this act shall for this reason be affected thereby in any civil or political right, nor shall her identity be disclosed except upon written order of the Board. (21 c. 392 § 3)

5343. Powers of board—Report to be made—The board may:

1. Make all reasonable rules and regulations necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this act, and may amend, alter or repeal such rules or regulations;

2. Accept private gifts for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act;

3. Co-operate with agencies whether city, state, federal or private which carry on work for maternal and infant hygiene, and

4. Make investigations and recommendations for the purpose of improving maternity care.

The board shall include in its report to the state legislature a statement of the operation of this act. (21 c. 392 § 4)

5344. To co-operate with federal authorities—The State of Minnesota, through its legislative authority:

1. Accepts the provisions of any act of Congress providing for co-operation between the government of the United States and the several states in public protection of maternity and infancy.

2. Empowers and directs the Board to co-operate with the United States Children's Bureau to carry out the purposes of such act; and

3. Appoints the state treasurer as custodian of all moneys given to the state by the United States under the authority of such act, and such money shall be paid out in the manner provided by such act for the purposes therein specified. (21 c. 392 § 5)

5345. State board of health, general and special rules—The board may adopt, alter and enforce reasonable regulations, of permanent application throughout the whole or any portion of the state, or for specified periods in parts thereof, for the preservation of the public health. Upon the approval of the attorney general and the due publication thereof such regulations shall have the force of law, except in so far as they may conflict with a statute or with the charter or ordinance of a city of the first class upon the same subject. In and by the same the board may control, by requiring the taking out of licenses or permits, or by other appropriate means, any of the following matters:

1. The manufacture into articles of commerce, other than food, of diseased, tainted or decayed animal or vegetable matter;

2. The business of scavenging and the disposal of sewage;
3. The location of mortuaries and cemeteries, and the removal and burial of the dead; 
4. The management of lying-in houses and boarding places for infants, and the treatment of infants therein; 
5. The pollution of streams and other waters, and the distribution of water by private persons for drinking and domestic use; 
6. The construction and equipment, in respect to sanitary conditions, of schools, hospitals, almshouses, prisons and other public institutions, and of lodging houses and other public sleeping places kept for gain; 
7. The treatment, in hospitals and elsewhere, of persons suffering from communicable diseases, including all manner of venereal disease and infection, the disburdening of persons by operation of the eyes of the newly born by the designation of the State Board shall enforce such regulations. 

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Provided, that neither said State Board of Health, or any local board of health, or director of public health, shall have authority to make or adopt any rule or regulation for the treatment in any penal or correctional institution, of any person suffering from any such communicable disease or venereal disease or infection, which rule or regulation requires the involuntary detention therein of any person after the expiration of his period of sentence to such penal or correctional institution, or after the expiration of the period to which said sentence may be reduced by good time allowance or by the lawful order of any judge or magistrate, or of any parole board.

7-A. The prevention of infant blindness and infection of the eyes of the newly born by the designation of a prophylactic to be used in such cases and in such manner as the board may direct, unless specifically objected to by the parents or a parent of such infant; 
8. The furnishing of vaccine matter; the assembling, during epidemics of smallpox, with other persons not vaccinated. But no rule of the state board or of any public board or officer shall at any time compel the vaccination of a child, or shall exclude, except during epidemics of smallpox and when approved by the local board of education, a child from the public schools, for the reason that such child has not been vaccinated; and person thus required to be vaccinated may select for said purpose any licensed physician, and no rule shall require the vaccination of any child whose physician shall certify that by reason of his physical condition vaccination would be dangerous; 
9. The accumulation of filthy and unwholesome matter to the injury of the public health, and the removal thereof; 
10. The collection, recording and reporting of vital statistics by public officers, and the furnishing of information to such officers, by physicians, undertakers and others, of births, deaths, causes of death and other pertinent facts; 
11. The construction, equipment and maintenance in respect to sanitary conditions of lumber camps and other industrial camps; 
12. The general sanitation of tourist camps, summer hotels and resorts in respect to water supplies, disposal of sewage, garbage and other wastes and the prevention and control of communicable diseases and to that end may prescribe the respective duties of county and local health officers; and all county and local boards of health shall make such investigations and reports and obey such directions as the State Board may require or give, and under the supervision of the State Board shall enforce such regulations.

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officer shall not exceed that now or hereafter authorized to be paid to such local health officer. ('25, c. 215)

§ 5349. Duties of local boards of health—Penalties—All local boards of health and health officers shall make such investigations and reports, and obey such directions concerning communicable diseases, as the state board may require or give; and, under the general supervision of the state board, they shall cause all laws and regulations relating to the public health to be obeyed and enforced. When the state board shall have reason or cause to believe from its records or any other information in its possession that the provisions of this section are being or have been violated, the state board shall advise the attorney general thereof, giving the information in support of such belief, and the attorney general, or under his directions, the county attorney of any county in which the violation occurs, shall forthwith institute proceedings for the enforcement of the provisions of this section and for the punishment of the violation thereof. Every member or officer refusing or neglecting to perform any duty imposed upon him by or pursuant to this chapter, or by any statute, ordinance or by-law relating to the public health, shall be liable for all expense incurred in establishing, enforcing and releasing quarantine, half of which may be recovered from the county as provided by law. ('19, c. 137 establishes a department of public welfare in certain cities.

5350. Entry for inspection, etc.—For the purposes of performing their official duties, all members, officers and employees of the state and local boards of health and all health officers, shall have the right to enter any building, conveyance or place where contagion, infection, filth or other source or cause of preventable disease exists or is reasonably suspected. Any person who wilfully prevents or hinders such entry, or otherwise interferes with the performance of such duties, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (2136)

5351. Powers of health officer in assuming jurisdiction over communicable diseases—The health officer in a municipality or the chairman of the board of supervisors in a township, shall employ at the cost of the health district over which his local board of health has jurisdiction and in which the person afflicted with a communicable disease is located, all medical and other help necessary in the control of such communicable disease, or for carrying out within such jurisdiction the lawful regulations and directions of the state board of health, its officers or employees, and upon his failure so to do the state board of health may employ such assistance at the expense of the district involved. Any person whose duty it is to care for any building, conveyance or place where contagion, infection, filth or other source or cause of preventable disease exists or is reasonably suspected. Any person who wilfully prevents or hinders such entry, or otherwise interferes with the performance of such duties, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (2130)

5352. Allowance and payment of expenses, etc.—All claims arising under § 5351 against any town, village, city, district shall be liable for such actual expenses as the state board may require or give; and, under the general supervision of the state board, they shall cause all laws and regulations relating to the public health to be obeyed and enforced. When the state board shall have reason or cause to believe from its records or any other information in its possession that the provisions of this section are being or have been violated, the state board shall advise the attorney general thereof, giving the information in support of such belief, and the attorney general, or under his directions, the county attorney of any county in which the violation occurs, shall forthwith institute proceedings for the enforcement of the provisions of this section and for the punishment of the violation thereof. Every member or officer refusing or neglecting to perform any duty imposed upon him by or pursuant to this chapter, or by any statute, ordinance or by-law relating to the public health, shall be liable for all expense incurred in establishing, enforcing and releasing quarantine, half of which may be recovered from the county as provided by law. ('19, c. 137 establishes a department of public welfare in certain cities.

5353-1. Appeal from disallowance—Costs—Within ten days after written notice by the auditor to the clerk of the town, village or city of the disallowance of the whole or any part of the half of any such claim chargeable upon the county, the claimant may appeal from such disallowance to the district court by giving notice of appeal as in other cases, and without giving security. The appeal shall be heard by a master, if ordered by the court, who shall determine whether the appeal should be noticed, tried and determined as in other appeals from the disallowance of claims by the county board. Unless the appellant shall recover more than the amount allowed by the county board, it shall be liable for costs and disbursements; otherwise the county shall be liable. (2139) [4647]

5353-2. Same—Expenses—The term "expenses" as used in the preceding section may cover and include suitably furnished office rooms, records, stationery, postage, nursing and nurses' supplies, transportation, including the purchase and maintenance of automobiles, meals and lodging of nurses when on duty away from their place of residence, telephone, rent and tolls, clerical assistance and such other actual expenses as are necessarily incidental to the carrying out of the above purposes. ('21, c. 138, § 2; added '25, c. 196, § 1)

5353-3. Same—Must be registered nurses—Such nurses, if not registered in Minnesota, shall apply for registration immediately upon their employment, and, unless registered within six months from date of application, their further employment shall be illegal. ('21, c. 196, § 3; added '25, c. 196, § 1)

5353-4. Same—Lists of nurses furnished by State Board of Health—Hereafter there shall be available from the State Board of Health for the use of councils and boards included in this act, employing such nurses, a list of nurses qualified for public health duties, approved and certified by a majority of a committee consisting of a physician appointed by the State Medical Association and four registered nurses; one representing the Faculty of the Course in Public Health Nursing of the University of Minnesota, one representing the State Organization for Public Health Nursing, one representing the State Board of Health; the State Director of Nursing Education. ('21, c. 138, § 4; added '25, c. 196, § 1)
5353-5. Same—Aid and advice of State Board of Health to—Such nurses shall receive, upon request, the aid and advice of the State Board of Health in regard to nursing problems and shall make written reports through the board employing them to the state and local boards of health in such form and at such times as shall be prescribed by the State Board of Health. ('21, c. 138, § 5; added '25, c. 196, § 1)

5353-6. Same—County nurses detailed to act with county board of health or as nursing committee—The board of county commissioners of any county, may detail county public health nurses to act under the direction of the County Board of Health or a nursing committee composed of at least five members as follows:

The County Superintendent of Schools.

The County Health officer or a physician appointed by the County Commissioners.

A County Commissioner appointed by the board of County Commissioners.

Two residents of the county appointed by the County Commissioners. ('21, c. 138, § 6; added '25, c. 196, § 1)

5353-7. Same—Nursing committee—Organization—The Nursing Committee of each county shall effect a permanent organization, and meet at regular intervals with the nurse or nurses. ('21, c. 138, § 7; added '25, c. 196, § 1)

5354. Vital statistics—State board to have charge of the state board of health shall have general supervision and charge of the state system of registration of births and deaths and may make, and enforce, any regulations necessary for the proper carrying out of the same. The secretary of the state board of health shall be designated and known as the state registrar and shall be the administering officer of the state in connection therewith, charged with the enforcement of the provisions of this act. ('13 c. 579 § 1) [4649] 124-125, 144,478.

5355. Primary registration districts—Local registrars—Deputies—Sub-registrars—Each township, village, city comprising such primary registration district. The State Board of Health may appoint a deputy, for whose actions he shall be responsible.

Any local registrar who neglects or refuses to perform the duties imposed by this act shall be superseded by another to be appointed by the state registrar in his place. The State Board of Health may appoint sub-registrars to receive certificates of births and deaths and issue burial permits in any designated territory. They shall be subject to the supervision of the state registrar and may be removed by him for cause. Such sub-registrars shall note thereon the date when any certificate is filed with him, sign the same, and forward it to the local registrar of the proper district within five days after receipt; and shall make a monthly report to the state registrar on blanks furnished for that purpose of all deaths where he has had charge of the remains or sold the casket. ('13, c. 579, § 2; amended '25, c. 190, § 1) [4650]

5356. Birth certificates—Form and contents—The physician or midwife attending at the birth of any child, or, if there is no attending physician or licensed midwife, the father or mother, shall within ten days thereafter, subscribe and file with the local registrar of the district within which the birth occurs, a certificate of birth specifying:

Place of birth, including state, county, city, village or town with the street and house number, if any, or in lieu thereof the name of the hospital or other private, public or state institution, if in such institution. Full name of child. If the child dies without being named before the certificate is filed, enter the word 'unnamed' with the date of death. Male or female. Whether one of twins, triplets or other plural birth, and the number in order of birth. Legitimate or no. Date of birth, including year, month, day and hour. Full name of father, provided that if the child is illegitimate the name or residence of, or other identifying details relating to, the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, except as provided in Section 5365-A. Residence of the father. Color or race of father—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other. Age of father at last birthday. Birthplace of father; state or foreign country. Occupation of father with a statement of the trade, profession or particular kind of work; or the general nature of the industry or business engaged or employed in.

Full maiden name of mother. Residence of mother. Color or race of mother—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other. Age of mother at last birthday. Birthplace of mother; state or foreign country. Occupation of the mother with a statement of the trade, profession or particular kind of work; or the general nature of the industry or business engaged or employed in.

Number of children born to this mother, including present birth. Number of children born of this mother now living. The fact of attendance and that the birth occurred at the time stated. Date of making and address of the person subscribing. If the child is one of a plural birth a separate certificate for each child shall be filed.

When the birth occurs in any lying-in hospital or in any private, public, charitable or state institution, without attendance by a physician or licensed midwife, the superintendent, manager or person in charge shall make and file the certificate of birth. If the birth occurs in any hotel, rooming or boarding house, or in any private dwelling or apartment other than the home of the parents, the keeper or occupant shall immediately notify the local registrar of that fact. The local registrar shall then procure the necessary information and the signature for a proper certificate of birth.

The attending physician or midwife shall deliver to the parents a blank for a supplemental report of the given name if the child is not named at the time of making the certificate of birth. When a certificate of birth is filed without the given or baptismal name the local registrar shall deliver to the parents a blank for a supplemental report of the name. Such supplemental report shall be made and filed with the local registrar as soon as the child is named. If such report is not filed within thirty days thereafter, the local registrar shall enter the word 'unnamed' with the date of death.
from the date of birth, the local registrar shall obtain such name by other means.

Whenever the state registrar shall receive a birth certificate which is incomplete or inaccurate, he shall endeavor to secure information relative to any errors or omissions, and shall make corrections on the original in red ink, when additional information is secured. Provided, that whenever a certified copy of a corrected birth certificate is issued, the corrections shall be shown on the certified copy in red, and this act shall be printed or typed on the form used for such certification.

Whenever it satisfactorily appears to the state registrar that a birth record contains errors or omissions or is false in some respect he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same. ('13, c. 579, § 3; amended '17, c. 220, § 1; '21, c. 273, § 1; '25, c. 190, § 2) [4651]

**Explanatory note**—For section 5365-a, see § 5366, herein.


5357. Death certificates—Form and contents—The undertaker or person acting as such, at the burial, cremation or other disposal of the body of any person dying in this state, shall obtain and file with the local registrar of the district in which the death occurs, a certificate of death containing:

(a) A statement authenticated by the signature of some person cognizant of the facts, specifying:
   1. Place of death, including state, county, city, village or town, with the name of the street and house number, or in lieu thereof, the name of the hospital or other private, public or state institution, if in such institution. If in an industrial or mining camp, or mine, the name of the camp or mine.
   2. Full name of deceased. If an unnamed child the surname preceded by "unnamed."
   3. Male or female.
   4. Color or race—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other.
   5. Single, married, widowed or divorced.
   6. Date of birth, including year, month and day.
   7. Age in years, months and days. If less than one day, the hours or minutes.
   8. Occupation. If the person had any remunerative employment, statement of the trade, profession, or particular engaged in or business engaged in employed in.
   9. Birthplace; state or foreign country.
   10. Name of father, provided that if the deceased was of illegitimate birth the name or residence of, or other identifying details relating to the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, except as provided in Section 5366-A.
   11. Birthplace of father; state or foreign country.
   12. Maiden name of mother.
   13. Birthplace of mother; state or foreign country.

In addition the said undertaker or person acting as such shall obtain and report in the monthly report to the state registrar provided for in Section 5366, General Statutes, 1923, as amended by Chapter 190, Session Laws 1925, information as to whether the deceased ever served in the military or naval forces of the United States.

(b) A medical certificate subscribed by the attending physician together with his address and date of making, stating fact and time of death, giving year, month, day and hour; time of attendance; when last seen alive; the disease or injury causing death, with contributory cause or complication and the duration of the illness; if from violence, the means and circumstances of the injury and whether indicating accident, suicide or homicide. Provided, that the medical certificate shall be made and subscribed by the coroner whenever the cause of death is investigated by him. Provided, further, that in cities of the first, second and third class the health officer, and in towns, villages and cities of the fourth class the local registrar, or a sub-registrar, shall make and subscribe the medical certificate for any death occurring therein without medical attendance or investigation by the coroner. If the local registrar, or sub-registrar, is unable to determine the cause of death he shall refer the case to a physician, or to the coroner, for certification.

(c) When the death occurs in a hospital or other institution or place, other than the home of the deceased, a statement of the length of time at the place of death, length of time in the state, usual place of residence, and where the disease was contracted.

(d) A statement showing place and date of burial signed by the undertaker with his address.

(e) In the case of a child dead at birth, a certificate of birth having the word "still-birth" inserted in place of the name, and also a certificate of death shall be made and filed with the local registrar, and a burial permit issued as hereinafter provided. The medical certificate shall be signed by the attending physician and shall state the cause of death as "still-born" with the cause of the still-birth, whether a premature birth, and if so, the period of utero gestation in months. Provided, that a certificate of birth or death shall not be required for a child that has not advanced the fifth month of utero gestation.

(f) In cases of still-births occurring without an attending physician the medical certificate shall be made and subscribed as is herein provided in case of death without medical attendance.

(g) Whenever the state registrar shall receive a death certificate which is incomplete or inaccurate, he shall endeavor to secure information relative to any errors or omissions, and shall make corrections on the original in red ink when additional information is secured; provided, that whenever a corrected copy of any such corrected death certificate is issued, the corrections shall be shown on the certified copy in red, and the provisions of this act shall be printed or typed on the form used for such certification.

(h) Whenever it satisfactorily appears to the state registrar that a death record contains errors or omissions or is false in some respect he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same. ('17, c. 220, § 2; '21, c. 273, § 2; '25, c. 190, § 3; '27, c. 156) [4653]

**Explanatory note**—For section 5365-a, see § 5366, herein.


5358. Duties of local registrars—The local registrar shall endorse on each certificate of birth and death filed with him the number of his district, the number of the certificate, in consecutive numbers, beginning with number one (1) for the first birth and the first death in each calendar year, the date when filed with him, his postoffice address, and subscribe the same. He shall record such certificates in a suitable register book and, on the tenth day of each month, transmit to the state registrar all original certificates filed with him during the preceding month. If no births or no deaths occurred in his district, within his knowledge, during any month, he shall report that
fact to the state registrar on the tenth day of the following month. When required by the state registrar he shall supply any information, or data, necessary to make a complete record or to facilitate the administration of the provisions of this act. (13 c. 579 § 5) [4653]

5359. Burial permits—Upon the filing of a proper certificate of death completely filled out, with the local registrar, or sub-registrar, but not otherwise disposed of, the name and address of the undertaker; that a certificate of death complying with the legal requirements has been filed in his office; and authorizing the burial or other disposition of the body. He shall sign the permit officially, date it the day of issue, and deliver it to the undertaker, or person applying therefor, who shall deliver it to the person in charge of the place of burial, or when the body is transported by common carrier, to the person accompanying it, before interment or other disposition of the body is made. Provided, that when the body is transported from without the state the permit issued in accordance with the law of the state where the death occurred, shall be accepted by the local registrar of the district in which the interment is made in place of a certificate of death and a burial permit issued accordingly, with the fact that the body is brought in for interment endorsed thereon.

In unorganized townships burial permits shall be issued by a registrar or sub-registrar in any adjacent organized city, village, or township, to whom application shall be made. When the permit is issued by a local registrar, he shall transcribe the original death certificate in his local record book and on or before the 10th of the month following he shall transmit such original death certificate to the state registrar. When the permit is issued by a sub-registrar, he shall, within five days, transmit the original death certificate to the state registrar. (13 c. 579 § 6; amended '25, c. 190, § 4) [4654]

5360. Records and reports by undertakers—Every person, firm, or corporation selling a casket, shall keep a record showing the name of the purchaser, purchaser's postoffice address, name of deceased, date of death, and place of death of deceased, which record shall be open to inspection of the state registrar at all times. On the first day of each month the person, firm or corporation, selling caskets, and every undertaker or other person attending to the burial, or conducting the funeral of a dead person, shall report to the state registrar such facts as he may require for the preceding month, on a blank provided for that purpose; provided, however, that no person, firm, or corporation selling caskets to dealers or undertakers only shall be required to keep such record.

Every person, firm, or corporation selling a casket at retail, and not having charge of the disposition of the body, shall inclose within the casket a notice furnished by the state registrar calling attention to the requirements of the law, a blank certificate of death, and the rules and regulations of the State Board of Health concerning the burial or other disposition of a dead body. (13 c. 579, § 7; amended '25, c. 190, § 5) [4655]

5361. Interment, duties of persons in charge of places of—The body of any person dying, or found dead, in this state, or the body of a still-born infant, shall not be interred or otherwise disposed of, or re

moved from one registration district to another, or held for more than seventy-two hours after death, unless and until a proper certificate of death has been filed and a permit issued as provided for by this act. Where there is a person charged with the care or supervision of a cemetery, burial place or other premises where human bodies are interred, or otherwise disposed of, the name of such person and his address shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the entrance of such premises. He shall not inter, nor permit the interment or other disposition of the body of a deceased person until he receives a burial permit as herein provided. He shall keep a record of all interments, or other disposition of the body, made on the premises under his charge, stating the name of the deceased person, place of death, date of burial and the name and address of the undertaker. Such record shall be open to public inspection at all times. (13 c. 579 § 8, amended '21 c. 273 § 3) [4656]

5362. Personal and statistical records of inmates of public and private institutions to be made and preserved—All superintendents, managers or persons in charge of lying-in or other hospitals, almshouses, charitable or other institutions, public or private, to which penal treatment, treatment for the insane, or medical care, or are committed by process of law, shall, at once, make and preserve a record of all the personal and statistical particulars relative to the inmates now in, or hereafter admitted to their institutions, that are required to be stated in the certificate of birth and death provided for by this act and on or before the tenth of each month shall file with the state board of health, on a blank provided by such board for the purpose, a report of all births and deaths, or still-births, occurring in such institution during the previous month. If admitted for medical treatment of disease the physician in charge shall specify, in the record, the nature of the disease and where it was contracted. (13 c. 579 § 9; amended '21 c. 275 § 4) [4657]

5363. State board to furnish blanks, forms and books—The state board of health shall prepare, provide and furnish to the local registrars, and other persons requiring them, all blanks, forms and books of record necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act. Such blanks, forms and books shall be furnished at the expense of the state and printed by the state printing commission. Provided, that the blanks or forms of record for the local registrar shall be paid for by the city, village, or town comprising the registration district and furnished by the state at actual cost. These books shall be substantially made and shall contain space for recording all of the facts shown on the original returns of births and deaths. (13 c. 579 § 10) [4658]

5364. State registrar to preserve certificates—Instructions—Information—The state registrar shall arrange, bind and preserve, in a systematic manner, all original certificates of birth and death returned to him and maintain a suitable index of the same. He may assign to each registration district a number to be used as an identifying designation in connection with the same, and shall authorize instructions for the use of local registrars, physicians, undertakers and others required to furnish information under the provisions of this act.

If any such officers, or others, fail or refuse to obtain and furnish the information so required, the state board of health may obtain the same by other means and the reasonable cost thereof shall be paid by the
city, village or town where the expense is necessarily incurred. (13 c. 579 § 11) [4655]

5365. Fees of local registrars—Tabulations by state registrar—Certified copies for clerks of district courts.

Fact of illegitimacy not to be disclosed—Birth and death records open to inspection—Record of legitimation of bastard by marriage of parents—Each local registrar except those acting in cities which have a population of more than 100,000 shall receive, from the county in which his district is located, a sum of twenty-five cents for each birth and each death certificate. He shall receive the same fee for each monthly report of no births or deaths having occurred in his district to his knowledge, providing such card is received by the state registrar before the fifteenth of the month following that to which it applies. Annually, on or before the first day of April, the state registrar shall tabulate all the facts shown in the returns of local registrars, except those acting in cities which have a population of more than 100,000 as having occurred during the preceding year, and transmit to the clerk of the district court of each county a certified copy of such tabulation, so far as the same relates to the vital statistics of such county, and each clerk of the district court shall file, index and preserve such certified copy, and the same shall be prima facie evidence of every fact contained therein. Such tabulation shall show the whole number of births and deaths, and reports of no births or deaths having occurred, transmitted by each local registrar during each year, but no fee shall be paid for "no report" cards if a report of a birth or death for that month is received later.

Upon the receipt and filing of such certified copies the clerk of court shall issue to each local registrar within his county a voucher for the amount due him as shown by such tabulated statement. Upon the presentation of such voucher to the county auditor, a warrant for the amount thereof shall be issued by him. The forms of indexes and indexing shall be prescribed by the state registrar and made in a suitable book furnished at the expense of the county. All statistics of birth and deaths shall be so indexed without other compensation than the clerk's salary, except that in counties where the clerk is not on a salary basis he shall be paid five cents by the county, for each name so indexed.

Whenever it satisfactorily appears to any clerk of court in Minnesota that a birth or death record on file in his office contains errors or omissions, or is false in some respect, he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same, when authenticated by an affidavit made by a person presuming to know the fact or facts, which affidavit is to be filed with said clerk and made a part of the original record. He shall immediately furnish to the state registrar copies of such affidavits.

A. Whenever the clerk of the district court shall report to the state registrar that a judgment has been entered determining the paternity of an illegitimate child, the state registrar shall record the name of the father, and sufficient data to identify the judgment, in connection with the record of the birth of the child appearing in his office, and also in connection with the record of the death of the child, if there be such record. A report by the clerk of the subsequent vacation of such judgment shall be recorded in like manner.

Likewise whenever any District Court shall enter a judgment that any person named on a birth certificate or death certificate, as the father of an illegitimate child, is not in fact the father of such child, the clerk of such court shall forward to the state registrar and to the local registrar of the district in which such birth or death is reported a copy of such judgment; whereupon, it shall be the duty of such registrars to make such corrections as to the statement of paternity on such birth or death certificate, and to attach to the original, or to his record of the original, a copy of such judgment.

B. Except when so ordered by a court of record no member of the state board of health, nor any state or local registrar, nor any person connected with the office of either, shall disclose the fact that any child was illegitimate. The district court shall have jurisdiction, upon petition against and notice to the state registrar, to issue such orders permitting or requiring the inspection of records of births and deaths, as to it may seem just and proper, and the making and delivery of certified copies thereof.

Birth records of the State Board of Health shall be open to inspection by the State Board of Control or its designated agents at all times, and it shall not be necessary for said Board of Control to obtain an order of court in order to inspect records of illegitimate children or to secure certified copies thereof.

D. Whenever the parents of a child whose birth has been reported to the State Board of Health as illegitimate shall marry each other and when the father of such illegitimate child shall execute an affidavit that he is the father of said child and that at a certain specified time he married the mother of said child and shall mail said affidavit to the state registrar then the state registrar shall amend the birth record of such child so as to indicate the child is a legitimate child and certified copies thereof may be issued without a court order. The state registrar shall report to the local registrar the legitimation of said child by the marriage of his parents to each other and the local registrar shall note upon his records the fact that the child is legitimated and record the name of the father. The state registrar shall include in his annual report to the clerk of district court of the county a copy of said affidavit of the father legitimizing said child and the said clerk of court shall file said affidavit and enter on his records the name of the father and the fact that such child is legitimated. (13 c. 579 § 12; amended '17, c. 220, § 4; '21, c. 273, § 5; '25, c. 190, § 6) [5366]

5366. Certified copies as record of evidence—Fees.

The state registrar, or any local registrar, shall furnish any applicant therefor a certified copy of the record of any birth or death recorded under the provisions of this act, provided that the fact that any child was illegitimate, shall not be disclosed except when ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with section 5365-B. For the making and certification of which the registrar shall be entitled to receive a fee of fifty cents, to be paid by the applicant. Such a copy of the record of a birth or death, when certified by the state or local registrar to be a true transcript therefrom shall be prima facie evidence of the fact therein stated in all courts in this state. The state registrar shall keep a correct account of all fees or moneys received by him under the provisions of this act, and pay the same over to the state treasurer at the end of each month. (13 c. 579 § 13, amended '17 c. 220 § 5; '21 c. 273 § 6) [4661]

Birth records as admissible evidence (134-167, 158-[-921).
§ 5367. Penalties—Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him thereby, or shall furnish false information affecting any certificate or record provided in this chapter, or who shall disclose any information in violation of section 5367, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned in the county jail for a period of not more than ninety days. ('13 c. 579 § 14, amended '17 c. 220 § 6) [4662]

§ 5368. Section 3 of Chapter 220, Laws 1917, repealed —That Section 3 of Chapter 220 of the Session Laws of 1917, be and same is hereby repealed. ('51 c. 272 § 7)

§ 5369. County attorney to prosecute violations—The county attorney of the several counties shall make complaint and prosecute any person charged with violating any of the provisions of this act when the facts and circumstances constituting such violation are presented to him by the state registrar or by any local registrar. (17 '51 c. 579 § 15) [4662]

§ 5370. Repeals—Sections 2140, 2141, 2142, Revised Laws of 1905, chapter 454, General Laws of 1907, chapter 23, General Laws of 1909, chapter 250, General Laws of 1911, and also all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed. ('13 c. 579 § 16) [4664-65]

§ 5371. Offensive trades—No person, without the written permission of the board of health of the town, village or city, shall engage therein in any trade or employment which is hurtful to the inhabitants, or dangerous to the public health, or injurious to neighboring property, or from which noisome odors arise. Any person so doing shall forfeit fifty dollars for each day on which such trade or employment is exercised, to be recovered by the local board of health by suit in its name and for its benefit. (2143) [46661]

130-475, 538, 153-869, 1095; 136-64, 161-263.

§ 5372. Assignment of places, etc.—Such local boards, from time to time, may designate places within their respective jurisdictions wherein such trades or employment may be carried on, by orders filed with the town, village or city clerk, and may revoke the same by like orders. Within twenty-four hours after written notice of any such revocation, every person exercising such trade or employment in the locality to which it relates shall cease to do so, or forfeit one hundred dollars for each day thereafter on which the same is continued, to be recovered as provided in § 5371. (2144) [4667]

130-475, 539, 153-869, 1095; 136-64, 161-263.

§ 5373. Appeal to district court—Within five days after service of such notice, any party aggrieved by an order made under §§ 5371, 5372, may appeal therefrom to the district court of the county, by giving notice of appeal as in other cases, together with a bond of not less than five hundred dollars, to be approved by the judge of said court, conditioned for the prosecution of such appeal to judgment and for payment of all costs and expenses that may be awarded against such appellant. If such appeal be taken within twenty days after the giving any general order of said court within said county, it shall be heard at such time, and, at either party's request, may be tried by a jury; if taken more than twenty days before any such term, the judge shall appoint a time and place for hearing the same, and, if demanded, direct the sheriff of said county to summon a jury of twelve persons to serve in said cause, any of whom may be challenged as in civil cases, and talesmen may be called and said appeal tried as in other civil cases. During the pendency of such appeal such trade or employment shall not be exercised contrary to the order of said board, and, upon violation of any such order, the appeal shall forthwith be dismissed. Upon the return of the verdict the court may either alter or amend the order of the board or confirm or amend it in full, to conform to such verdict. If the matter be tried by the court, it shall have and exercise the same power. (2145) [4668]

Cited (116-146, 134-224).

Orders of boards relative to licensing certain occupations are appealable to district court, and will not be disturbed unless unreasonable or arbitrary (130-479; 136-649; 133-641, 161-263).

§ 5374. State board—Powers—Appeal—Upon written complaint made to the state board that any person is occupying or using any building or premises within any town, village or city, for the exercise of any such trade or employment, it shall appoint a time and place for hearing and give notice of not less than ten days to the complainant and the person complained of, and after such hearing, in its judgment, the public health or comfort and convenience require, it may order such person to cease from further carrying on such trade or employment in such building or premises; and after written notice of such order, any person thereafter exercising such trade or employment in said building or premises, shall forfeit one hundred dollars for each day after the first, to be recovered as provided in the preceding sections. Any person aggrieved by such order may appeal, and said appeal shall be taken and determined, in the same manner as prescribed in § 5373. During its pendency such trade or employment shall not be exercised contrary to the orders of the state board, and upon the violation of any such order the appeal shall forthwith be dismissed. (2146) [4669]

Is constitutional (110-146, 124+728).

§ 5375. Pollution of water—No sewage or other matter that will impair the healthfulness of water shall be deposited where it will fall or drain into any pond or stream used as a source of water supply for domestic use. The state board of health shall have general charge of all springs, wells, ponds, and streams so used, and shall take all necessary and proper steps to preserve the same from such pollution as may endanger the public health. In case of violation of any of the provisions of this section, the state board may, with or without a hearing, order any person to desist from causing such pollution, and to comply with such direction of the board as it may deem proper and expedient in the premises. Such order shall be served forthwith upon the person found to have violated such provisions. (2147) [4670]

Cited (101-197, 112-395).

§ 5376. Appeal to district court—Within five days after service of such order, any person aggrieved thereby may appeal to the district court of the county on which such polluted source of water supply is situated; and such appeal shall be taken, prosecuted and determined in the same manner as provided in § 5373. During the pendency of such appeal, the pollution against, which the order has been issued shall not be continued, and upon violation of such order the appeal shall forthwith be dismissed. (2148) [4671]

§ 5377. Other remedies preserved — Nothing in §§ 5371, 5376 shall curtail the power of the courts.
to administer the usual legal and equitable remedies in cases of nuisances or of improper interference with private rights. (2149) [4672]

5377-1. Purpose of act—The purpose of this act is to carry out the purpose of this act, the State Board of Health to administer and enforce laws—The State Board of Health is hereby given and charged with the power and duty of administering and enforcing all laws relating to the pollution of any of the waters of this state, whether such pollution affects the public health, live stock, or other aquatic life. (27, c. 273, § 1)

5377-2. Same—Investigations by board—Classification of waters—Said board is hereby authorized and directed to investigate the extent, character and effect of the pollution of the waters of this state and to gather data and information necessary or desirable in the administration or enforcement of pollution laws, and it may make such classification of the waters of the state as it may deem advisable. (27, c. 273, § 2)

5377-3. Same—Co-operation with other agencies—Said board is hereby specifically authorized to co-operate with other departments of state, other state officers, with municipalities of all kinds, with other states and with the United States, with industries, societies, corporations, and individuals to the end and purpose of protecting and freeing the waters of the state from pollution. (27, c. 273, § 3)

5377-4. Same—Hearings and investigations by board—Procedure—Witnesses, etc.—Contempts—To carry out the purpose of this act, the State Board of Health is hereby authorized to hold such hearings or investigations as it may deem advisable, and in any such hearing or investigation any member of said board or the secretary thereof, or any officer or agent of said board, appointed by it to hold such hearing or investigation, shall have the power to subpoena witnesses, to administer oaths and to compel the production of books, papers, records and other evidence. Witnesses shall receive the same fees and mileage as in civil actions. Disobedience of any subpoena in such proceeding, or contumacy of a witness, upon application of said board, may be punished by the District court in the same manner as if the proceeding were pending in such court. (27, c. 273, § 4)

5377-5. Same—Co-operation with Board—The State Board of Health, for the purpose of assisting in the performance of its duties hereunder, may receive and accept any money, property, or services, or any form of co-operation from any person, firm, corporation, municipal corporation, the State of Minnesota, or any of its departments or officers, or any other state, or the United States. (27, c. 273, § 5)

5377-6. Assistance to board on order of Commission of Administration and Finance—The Commission of Administration and Finance may, upon request of the State Board of Health, by order, require any department of state, or state officer, to furnish such assistance to the State Board of Health in the performance of its duties, or the exercise of its powers hereunder, as the said commission may in said order designate or specify and, with the consent of the department concerned, said commission may charge or assign all or part of the cost or expense or amount of such assistance to such departmental fund or appropriation as the commission may deem just and proper. (27, c. 273, § 6)

5378. Salaries and expenses—Employees—The secretary of the state board shall receive a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars per year; and such additional sum as the board may deem necessary; also all expenses necessarily incurred by him in the performance of his duties. The members of the board shall receive no compensation for such, but the necessary expenses of their attendance upon its meetings shall be reimbursed. The board may employ, and at pleasure dismiss, such agents, experts, and other assistants as it may deem necessary, and may fix their compensation, prescribe, their duties, and allow their necessary expenses. All such salaries, compensation, and expenses shall be paid by the board from the fund appropriated for the board. (27, c. 273, § 7)

5379. Nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness—Duty of health officer—Notice—Privy vaults in cities having 50,000 inhabitants—Whenever any nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness is found in any property, the health officer of the city, village or township shall order the owner or occupant thereof to remove the same at his expense within a time not to exceed ten days, the exact time to be specified in the notice. Said notice shall be served by the sheriff, marshal or other peace officer, by delivering a copy thereof to the owner, occupant or agent of such property, or by property, or by leaving a copy thereof with no known representative or agent upon whom notice can be served, then the sheriff, marshal or other peace officer shall post a written or printed notice upon the property or premises, setting forth that unless the nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness is abated or removed within ten days, the sheriff, marshal or other peace officer will remove, or cause to be abated or removed, at the expense of the owner, the nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness complained of and found to exist; provided, that in carrying out the provisions of this act no docket or claim against any individual owner, or any one piece of real property, shall exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars, that in all cities in this state now or hereafter having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants, the collection and disposal of night soil from privy vaults and contents of cesspools shall be under the charge and supervision of, and shall be done by the department of health of such cities. (07 c. 425 § 1) [4674]

5381. Tuberculosis—Physicians to report to state board—To local board in certain cases—Every physician in the state of Minnesota shall report to the state board of health on blanks furnished by said board for that purpose, full particulars as to every person under his treatment for tuberculosis, within one week after
the diagnosis of the disease, except that physicians in cities and villages, where they are required by ordinance or sanitary regulation to report tuberculosis to the local board of health, will not be required to report such cases directly to the state board of health, but the local health officer shall make returns of all such cases reported to him to the state board of health once a month on blanks furnished for that purpose by said board. ('13 c. 434 § 1) [4676]

5382. Penal and charitable institutions—It shall be unlawful for the authorities in charge of any penal or charitable institution to care for any person afflicted with tuberculosis in the same room or ward with other inmates. ('13 c. 434 § 2) [4677]

5383. Removal to public sanatorium or hospital—Any health officer shall have the right to report to the board of county commissioners of his county any person afflicted with tuberculosis whom he considers a menace to his family or other persons and upon the approval of the board of county commissioners said health officer shall have the power to remove said person and place him in a public sanatorium or hospital where he shall remain until discharged therefrom by the superintendent of such institution. ('13 c. 434 § 3) [4678]

5384. Teachers, pupils, etc.—Certificate—No teacher, pupil or employee about a school building who is afflicted with pulmonary tuberculosis shall remain in or about such building without having a certificate issued by the local board of health or by an agent duly authorized by said board stating that said person is in no sense a source of danger to others. ('13 c. 434 § 4) [4679]

5385. Infected premises—Disinfecting—In case of the vacation of any apartment or premises by death from tuberculosis, or by the removal therefrom of a person or persons sick with tuberculosis, it shall be the duty of the person or physician in charge, to notify the health officer of such town, incorporated village, or city, aforesaid, of said removal, within twenty-four hours thereafter, and such apartments or premises so vacated shall not again be occupied until renovated and disinfected as hereinafter provided.

In case of such vacation the health officer shall order that such premises or apartments and all infected articles therein be properly and suitably renovated and disinfected. In case there shall be no remaining occupants in such premises or apartments then the health officer shall cause a notice in writing to be served upon the owner, or agent of the owner of such premises or apartments, ordering the renovation and disinfection of such premises or apartments, under the directions of and in conformity with the regulations of the state board of health. ('13 c. 434 § 5) [4680]

5386. Placard to be posted on infected premises—In case any orders or directions of the health officer requiring the disinfection of any articles, premises or apartments, as hereinbefore provided, shall not be complied with within thirty-six hours after such orders or directions shall be given, then it shall be the duty of the health officer to cause a placard in words and form as follows to be placed upon the door of the infected apartments, or premises, to wit:

NOTICE

TUBERCULOSIS IS A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE. THESE APARTMENTS HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED BY A CONSUMPTIVE AND MAY BE INFECTED. THEY MUST NOT BE OCCUPIED UNTIL THE ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER DIRECTING THEIR RENOVATION AND DISINFECTION HAS BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

THIS NOTICE MUST NOT BE REMOVED UNDER A PENALTY OF LAW, EXCEPT BY THE HEALTH OFFICER OR AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER. ('13 c. 434 § 6) [4681]

5387. Sputum, saliva, etc.—It shall be unlawful for any person having pulmonary tuberculosis to dispose of sputum, saliva, or other secretions or excretions so as to cause offense or danger to any person or persons. ('13 c. 434 § 7) [4682]

5388. Violation a misdemeanor—Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. ('13 c. 434 § 8) [4683]

5388-1. Disinfection of tenement houses, hotels and dwellings after contagious diseases therein—No wall, partition, or ceiling or any room in which there has been contagious disease in any tenement house, hotel or dwelling shall be repapered, calcimined, or have any other covering placed thereupon unless the old paper or other covering shall have first been disinfected and removed therefrom and the said wall, partition or ceiling, be cleansed, disinfected and freed from bugs, insects or vermin. ('19, c. 479, § 1) [4684]

5388-2. Same—Penalty—Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. ('19, c. 479, § 2) [4685]

5389. Rabies—Duties of executive officer of live stock sanitary board and municipal health officers—Investigation—It shall be the duty of the executive officer of the live stock sanitary board, the chief health officer of every city, the executive officers of each town and village board of health, when complaint in writing or other evidence shall have been made to him that rabies exists in any town, village or city over which his jurisdiction extends, and for the purposes of this act the jurisdiction of the state officer hereinbefore named shall extend to any town, village or city in this state, to investigate, either personally or through the agency of subordinate officers under his jurisdiction, as to the truth of any such complaint, and determine whether or not rabies does exist in any such town, village or city. Any such officer may on his own motion, and without such complaint, likewise make such an investigation and determination. The fact that any executive officer of any town, city or village has investigated and determined that rabies does not exist in the territory over which such jurisdiction extends or over which such complaint has been made to him that rabies does exist in any such town, village or city, over which his jurisdiction extends, shall not deprive the executive officer of the live stock sanitary board, or of jurisdiction or authority to make such an investigation and determination with reference to such territory. ('13 c. 54 § 1) [4686]

5390. Proclamation—Publication—If on such investigation any such officer finds and determines that rabies does exist in any town, city or village, he shall forthwith and thereupon make and file, as hereinafter provided, a proclamation, setting forth the fact of such investigation and determination, and also in and by said proclamation prohibit the owner or custodian of any dog from permitting or allowing such dog to be at any town, village or city in this state, to visit any such town, village or city over which his jurisdiction extends, and for the purposes of this act the jurisdiction of the state officer hereinbefore named shall extend to any town, village or city in this state, to investigate, either personally or through the agency of subordinate officers under his jurisdiction, as to the truth of any such complaint, and determine whether or not rabies does exist in any such town, village or city. Any such officer may on his own motion, and without such complaint, likewise make such an investigation and determination. The fact that any executive officer of any town, city or village has investigated and determined that rabies does not exist in the territory over which such jurisdiction extends, shall not deprive the executive officer of the live stock sanitary board, or of jurisdiction or authority to make such an investigation and determination with reference to such territory. ('13 c. 54 § 1) [4687]
It shall be the duty of the officer with whom such proclamation is filed as aforesaid, to forthwith publish a copy thereof (once) at the expense of such proclamation, in a legal newspaper published in the town, village, or city to which such proclamation relates, if such a paper is published therein, and if there be no newspaper published therein, then, to post a copy of such proclamation in three public places therein.

Proof of publication shall be made by affidavit of the publisher in the one case, and of posting, in the other, by the person posting the same, which affidavit shall be recorded in the town, village, or city to which such proclamation relates.

Such proclamation shall be deemed effective and in full force five days after the publication or posting of copies thereof, as hereinbefore provided for, and shall remain in full force and effect for a period of time therein designated not exceeding six months, as shall be determined by the officer making such proclamation. (13 c. 541 § 2) [4685]

5391. Permitting unmuzzled dogs to be at large—Penalty—It shall be unlawful for the owner or custodian of any dog to suffer or permit it to be at large either on the premises of the owner or elsewhere, within any city, village, or town wherein and as to which any such proclamation has been made, during the time such proclamation is in force, unless such dog shall be kept unmuzzled so that it cannot bite any other animal or any person.

It shall be lawful for any person to kill any dog running at large on the public streets or roads in violation of the provisions of this act, and the owner or owners of any dog so killed shall have no claim against the person so killing any such dog.

Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. It shall be the duty of all peace officers and all health officers to make complaint of any known violation of this act. (13 c. 541 § 3) [4686]

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5392. Delivery of bodies to medical schools—Except as otherwise provided in § 5393, the bodies of all persons dying within the state, and not claimed for burial within thirty-six hours after death, shall be delivered, by the person in charge thereof, for purposes of anatomical study. The deans of the medical colleges of the state shall select a committee to receive such bodies, which committee shall apportion the same to the several colleges according to the numbers of their students. Any body so received shall be surrendered on demand of a relative entitled to its possession. The remains of any such body, after it has answered the purposes aforesaid, shall be decently buried in a public cemetery, and the expense of transporting and burying such body shall be borne by the college receiving the same. (2152) [4687]

5393. What bodies excepted—No body shall be so delivered:
1. After it has been regularly interred;
2. After it has been claimed for burial or cremation by any person entitled to receive it for such purpose;
3. Without the consent of all known relatives of the person deceased;
4. If such person, in his last sickness, requested that his remains be buried;
5. If he died while detained as a witness, or under suspicion of crime; or
6. If by any provision of law another disposition thereof be required. (2153) [4688]

5394. Penalties—Every officer or other person in possession or control of any such body shall forthwith notify the committee and deliver the same according to its request. If he fail to do either within a reasonable time, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, the minimum punishment whereof shall be a fine of twenty-five dollars. Every person who shall use any such body for a purpose other than that contemplated herein, or who shall remove it from the state, or in any manner traffic therein, or refuse to deliver the same upon proper demand, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor. (2154) [4689]
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Said fees shall be paid by the institution examined within twenty days after a statement of the amount thereof shall have been rendered the institution examined by the commissioner of banks, and if not so paid shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. (As amended Apr. 17, 1937, c. 276, §1.)

Sec. 2 of Act Apr. 17, 1937, cited, provides: "all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

5332-1. Examiners powers enlarged.—The examiner in charge of liquidation in the banking division of the department of commerce is hereby authorized to sign the name of the commissioner of banks and to act for him in all matters connected with the liquidation of insolvent corporations under the supervision and control of the commissioner of banks, with the same force and effect as though the commissioner himself had signed or acted. Provided, that said examiner shall have no authority to order an assessment against the stockholders of a national bank or trust company under the provisions of Laws 1927, Chapter 264 (§§7699-20 to 7699-247). (Act Apr. 9, 1931, c. 137.)


5334. Certain securities to be deposited with State treasurer.


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The town clerk or librarian may be retained for rendering services without rendering town or themselves liable for damages, but they must act in good faith. Op. Atty. Gen., (434a-9), May 12, 1932.

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Three kinds of measures may be employed in control of a communicable disease: establishing, enforcing and releasing quarantine; immunization by vaccination, administration of antitoxin, hospitalization, and other measures which would aid public health; and intermediate health and patient; and things done for care, comfort or relief of patients and particular treatment for protection of public, cost of the first being purely public, individual treated being liable for the second, and individual treated being wholly liable for the third except by way of poor relief. Op. Atty. Gen. (255-f-1), April 12, 1929.

§5353. Appeal from disallowance—costs.


§5353-1. Public health nurses in counties, cities, villages, towns, etc.


§5353-2. Same—Expenses.

If the county purchases an automobile, gasoline and repairs, the limitations of Laws 1921, c. 331, have no application but such act does apply if county nurse furnishes her own automobile and bills the county for reimbursements. Op. Atty. Gen. May 23, 1931.


There is no statute authorizing town board to employ recreation directors and pay for their services out of town funds. Jd.

§5353-3. Same—Must be registered nurses.


§5354. Vital statistics—state board to have charge.

The state board of health shall have general supervision and charge of the state system of registration of births and deaths and make, and enforce, any regulations necessary for the proper carrying out of this act. The secretary of the state board of health shall be designated and known as the state registrar and shall be the administering officer of the state in connection therewith, charged with the enforcement of the provisions of this act. The state registrar may appoint, and at his pleasure remove, an employee of the state board of health as deputy state registrar, who shall render such aid as the state registrar may require of him in the discharge of his official duty. (As amended Apr. 17, 1937, c. 263, §1.)

§5355. Birth certificates—Form and contents.

The physician or midwife attending at the birth of any child, or, if there is no attending physician or licensed midwife, the father or mother, shall within five days thereafter, subscribe and file with the local registrar of birth the certificate in which the birth occurs, a certificate of birth specifying:

- Place of birth, including state, county, city, village or town with the street and house number, if any, and the name thereof of the hospital or other private, public or state institution, if in such institution.
- Full name of child. If the child dies without being named before the certificate is filed, enter the word "unnamed" with the date of death.
- Male or female.
- Whether one of twins, triplets or other plural birth, and the number in order of birth.
- Legitimate or not.
- Date of birth, including year, month, day and hour.
- Full name of father, provided that if the child is illegitimate the name of residence of, or other identifying detail of, the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, except as provided in Section 5355-A.
- Residence of the father.
- Color or race of father—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other.
- Age of father at last birthday.
- Birthplace of father; state or foreign country.
- Occupation of father with a statement of the trade, profession or particular kind of work; or the general nature of the industry or business engaged or employed in.
- Full maiden name of mother.

Residence of mother.
Color or race of mother—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other.
Age of mother at last birthday.
Birthplace of mother; state or foreign country.
Occupation of mother with a statement of the trade, profession or particular kind of work; or the general nature of the industry or business engaged or employed in.

Number of children born to this mother, including present birth.
Number of children born of this mother now living.
The fact of attendance and that the birth occurred at the time stated.
Date of making and address of the person subscribing.
If the child is one of a plural birth a separate certificate for each child shall be filed.
When the birth occurs in any hospital or in any private, public, charitable or state institution, without attendance by a physician or licensed midwife, the superintendent, manager or person in charge shall make and file the certificate of birth.
If the birth occurs in any hotel, rooming or boarding house, or in any private dwelling or apartment other than the home of the parents, the keeper or occupant shall immediately notify the local registrar of that fact. The local registrar shall then procure the necessary information and the signature for a proper certificate of birth.

Whoever finds any child of unknown parentage shall immediately report the fact to the local registrar. The local registrar shall thereupon make and file a certificate of birth for the child; the certificate shall state among other things, the date and place of finding, sex, complexion of child, approximate date of birth, and the name and address of the person or institution with whom the child has been placed for care. The place where the child was found shall be known as the legal birthplace of the child.

The date of birth shall be determined by approximation and shall be known as the legal date of birth. The person, superintendent or manager of the institution with whom the foundling child is placed for care shall give the child a name and shall report the name given to the local registrar within ten days after the child has been received.

If any foundling child shall later be identified and a certificate of birth be found or obtained, the certificate of birth as a foundling child provided for shall be cancelled by the state registrar with a citation to the certificate of birth on file in the Department.

The attending physician or midwife shall deliver to the parents a blank for a supplemental report of the given name if the child is not named at the time of making the certificate of birth.

When a certificate of birth is filed without the given or baptismal name the local registrar shall deliver to the parents a blank for a supplemental report of the name. Such supplemental report shall be made and filed with the local registrar as soon as the child is named. If such report is not filed within thirty days from the date of birth, the local registrar shall obtain such name by other means.

Whenever the state registrar shall receive a birth certificate which is incomplete or inaccurate, he shall endeavor to secure information relative to any errors or omissions, and shall make corrections on the original in red ink, when additional information is secured. Provided, that whenever a certified copy of any such corrected birth certificate is issued, the corrections shall be shown on the certified copy in red, and this act shall be printed or typed on the form used for such certificate.

Except that a certified copy of a new certificate of birth, as hereinafter provided, shall be issued without such corrections, and red ink corrections shall not be shown on certificates as provided herein.
Whenever it satisfactorily appears to the state registrar that a birth record contains errors or omissions or is false in some respect he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same.

Whenever any person shall execute an affidavit adequate to certify to the fact of birth of a child, subscribed to in the presence of two witnesses, before any person authorized to administer an oath, the affidavit shall be filed in connection with the birth certificate.

A new certificate of birth may be made whenever the state registrar receives satisfactory proof of the facts that:

(a) That the previously unwed parents of a person have intermarried subsequently to the birth of such person; or

(b) That a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a judgment, order or decree relating to the parentage or adoption of a person.

Such new certificate for any person shall be in the form prescribed by the state registrar, subject to approval of the state board of health and state board of control, and shall be prepared on the following basis:

Such person shall be treated as having had at birth the status subsequently acquired or established and of which proof is submitted; where such person is illegitimate and paternity has been established by legal process charged to the father of such child, the fact inserted: where such person has been adopted the name of such child shall be that fixed by the decree of adoption and the foster parents shall be recorded as the parents of such child.

When a certificate of birth is made, the state registrar shall substitute such new certificate of birth for the one then on file, if any. The state registrar shall place the original certificate of birth and all papers pertaining to the new certificate of birth containing the legal surname of the child, with the date of birth and sex of the child, directing that in case of inquiry, the local registrar shall refer such inquiry to the state registrar.

The person certifying to the birth of an illegitimate child shall report such birth direct to the state registrar. The state registrar shall furnish the local registrar with an abstract of such birth containing the legal surname of the child, with the date of birth and sex of the child, directing that in case of inquiry, the local registrar shall refer such inquiry to the state registrar.

Whenever the report of a birth which occurred in Minnesota is not on file with the state registrar or with any local registrar or with the clerk of the district court of the county in which birth occurred, a certificate of such birth may be filed with the state registrar or a clerk of district court, and for births which occurred in a city of 100,000 or more population with the local registrar of such city. Whenever for such delayed registration the birth certificate is not made and subscribed by the physician who attended the child, the birth certificate shall be made and subscribed by the nearest of kin, if any, or otherwise by any person or persons having personal knowledge of the facts of birth as given by them in such certificate, but the certificate shall be attested to by supporting affidavits by the person or persons making and subscribing the certificate and if possible by the baptismal record and other documentary evidence.

The state registrar shall place on file any birth certificate made and subscribed by attending physicians and others as herein provided. Whenever a birth certificate so made and subscribed is filed with a clerk of the district court such clerk shall forward such certificate to the state registrar. The state registrar shall send certified copies of all delayed birth certificates filed with him as herein provided, to the clerks of court of the counties in which such births occurred.

Any person who shall furnish false affidavits or false documentary evidence for the purpose of making or securing a delayed registration of birth shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (As amended Mar. 25, 1939, c. 80, §1.)

[Paragraphs and sections regarding death certificates, school nurses, school attendance officers, etc.]

5356-1. School nurses, etc., shall keep health records of children.—It shall be the duty of every school nurse, school physician, school attendance officer, superintendent of schools, principal, teacher and of the person charged with the duty of compiling and keeping the school census records to cause a permanent public health record to be kept for every child of school age. Such record shall be kept in such form and manner as may be prescribed by the state registrar, subject to approval of the state board of health and state board of control, and shall be prepared on the following basis:

(a) A statement authenticated by the signature of the person certifying to the birth of an illegitimate child shall be entered in the record. The name of such child shall be that fixed by the decree of adoption and the foster parents shall be recorded as the parents of such child.

(b) That a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a judgment, order or decree relating to the parentage or adoption of a person.

Any intentionally false statement in such certificate shall be deemed good cause for summary discharge of the person at fault regardless of any contract. (Act Apr. 20, 1929, c. 277, §2.)

5357. Death certificates.—Form and contents.—The undertaker or person acting as such at the burial, cremation or other disposal of the body of any person dying in this state, shall obtain and file with the local registrar of the district in which the death occurs, a certificate of death containing:

(a) A statement authenticated by the signature of some person cognizant of the facts, specifying:
1. Place of death, including state, county, city, village or town, with the name of the street and house number, or in lieu thereof, the name of the hospital or other private, public or State institution, if in such institution. If in an industrial or mining camp, or mine, the name of the camp or mine.

2. Date and cause of decease. If an unnamed child the surname preceded by "unnamed."

3. Male or female.

4. Color or race—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other.

5. Single, married, widowed or divorced.

6. Date of birth, including year, month and day.

7. Age in years, months and days. If less than one day, the hours or minutes.

8. Occupation. If the person had any remunerative employment, statement of the trade, profession, or particular kind of work, or the general nature of the industry or business engaged in or employed in.

9. Birthplace; state or foreign country.

10. Name of father, provided that if the deceased was of illegitimate birth the name or residence of, or other details relating to the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, except as provided in Section 5365-A.

11. Birthplace of father; state or foreign country.

12. Maiden name of mother.

13. Birthplace of mother; state or foreign country.

In addition the said undertaker or person acting as such shall endorse on each certificate of birth and death issued to the state registrar provided for in Section 5360, General Statutes, 1923, as amended by Chapter 190, Session Laws 1925, information as to whether the deceased was served in the military or naval forces of the United States.

(b) A medical certificate shall be subscribed by the attending physician together with his address and date of making, stating fact and time of death, giving year, month, day and hour; time of attendance; when last seen alive; the disease or injury causing death, with contributory cause or complication and the duration of the illness; if from violence, the means and circumstances of the injury and whether indicating accident, suicide or homicide. When the physician cannot certify the cause of death because of a pending autopsy or incomplete findings he may substitute for the cause, the words "Cause not yet determined." Provided, that the medical certificate shall be subscribed by the attending physician when he is unable to determine the cause of death. He shall refer the case to a physician, or to the coroner, for certification.

(c) When the death occurs in a hospital or other institution or place, other than the home of the deceased, a statement of the length of time at the place of death, with the cause of death, with the cause of the still-born, whether a premature birth, and if so, the period of istermination in months. Provided, that a certificate of birth or death shall not be required for a child that has not advanced the fifth month of istermination.

(f) In cases of still-births occurring without the attending physician the medical certificate shall be made and subscribed as is herein provided in case of death without medical attendance.

(g) Whenever the state registrar shall receive a death certificate which is incomplete or inaccurate, he shall endeavor to improve or improve it in favor of the decedent and report in the monthly report as such shall obtain and report in the monthly report the cause of death. Provided, that whenever a certified copy of any such corrected death certificate is issued, the corrections shall be shown on the certified copy in red and the provisions of this act shall be printed or typed on the form used for such certification.

(h) Whenever it satisfactorily appears to the state registrar that a death record contains errors or omissions or is false in some respect he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 89, §2.)

176SM28, 223NW957; note under §266.

The medical certificate of death is not admissible in litigation between private parties to prove the "indications or inferences of murder, suicide, or accident, drawn by the certificate maker from the "means and circumstances" of a violent death." Backstrom v. N., 183M38, 238NW199, See Dun. Dig. 3348.

Medical expert may properly give reasons for opinion expressed as to cause of death. Milliren v. F., 195M511, 242NW290. See Dun. Dig. 3348.

In action on accident policy, death certificate made by attending physician and filed was not conclusive, and when shown to be hearsay would have no probative value. Milliren v. F., 195M511, 242NW290. See Dun. Dig. 3348.

Under c. 272, Laws 1915, as amended by c. 404, Laws 1915, and modified by c. 138, Laws 1916, the coroner of a county or a deputy coroner is required to investigate violent, mysterious, and accidental deaths, and may order an autopsy when and where he deems proper, but order directing an autopsy did not conclude plaintiff, and shall be right to show it is unauthorized or that it was improperly made, and this being construction placed on statutes, it cannot be claimed that they are in violation of due process of law or violative of constitutional provision prohibiting special legislation, Milliren v. F., 195M511, 242NW290. See Dun. Dig. 3348.

The certificate of undertaker was rightly excluded as of no probative force on issue tried—it being palpably hearsay of deputy coroner not a physician. Miller v. M., 186M497, 270NW559. See Dun. Dig. 3348.

Death certificate of an adopted child should show the natural parent and also the same information as to adoptive parents. Op. Att'y Gen. (2252). Dec. 11, 1935. In cases of accidental or unnatural death, the question as to whether the death was accidental or natural, but it is probably best to have coroner sign death certificate, and in absence of coroner, a private physician may sign certificate, even upon finding deceased dead child or other human body. Emmett v. F., 190M600, 223NW679. See Dun. Dig. 3348.

5359. Duties of local registrars.—The local registrar shall endorse on each certificate of birth and death filed with him the number of his district, the number of the certificate, in consecutive numbers, beginning with number one (1) for the first birth and the first death in each calendar year, the date when filed with him, his postoffice address, and subscribe the same. He shall record such certificates in a suitable record book and, on the fifth day of each month, transmit to the state registrar all original certificates filed with him during the preceding month. If no births or no deaths occurred in his district, within his knowledge, during the preceding month, he shall make a statement to that effect to the state registrar on the fifth day of the following month. When required by the state registrar he shall supply any information, or data, necessary to make a complete record or to facilitate the administration of the provisions of this act. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 89, §3.)

5301. Interim, duties of persons in charge of places of.—The body of any person dying, or found dead, in this state, or the body of a still-born infant, shall not be interred or disposed of, nor be interred, cremated or otherwise disposed of, or removed from one registration district to another, or held for more than seventy-two hours after death, unless and until a proper certificate of death has been filed and a permit issued as provided for by this act. Provided, that in any cases where it is
impossible to secure such certificate or permit without delay, the state registrar may permit the attending embalmer or funeral director to remove the body to another registration district on the condition that such certificate and permit will be secured and properly posted in a conspicuous place at the entrance of such premises. He shall not inter, nor permit the interment, cremation, or other disposition of the body of a deceased person until he receives a burial permit as herein provided. He shall keep a record of all interments, or other disposition of the body, made on the premises under his charge, stating the name of the deceased person, place of death, date of burial or cremation and the name and address of the undertaker. Such record shall be open to public inspection at all times. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 89, §4.)

A body buried in part of cemetery set aside for use by unknown persons without authority of cemetery shall not be interred, cremated, or otherwise disposed of, the name of such person and his address shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the entrance of such premises. He shall not inter, nor permit the interment, cremation, or other disposition of the body of a deceased person until he receives a burial permit as herein provided. He shall keep a record of all interments, or other disposition of the body, made on the premises under his charge, stating the name of the deceased person, place of death, date of burial or cremation and the name and address of the undertaker. Such record shall be open to public inspection at all times. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 89, §4.)

5365. Fees of local registrars—Tabulations, etc.—Each local registrar except those acting in cities which have a population of more than 100,000 shall receive, from the county in which his district is located, a sum of twenty-five cents for each birth and each death certificate. He shall receive the same fee for each monthly report card of no births or deaths having occurred in his district to which it applies. Annually, or on before the first day of April, the state registrar shall tabulate all the facts shown in the returns of local registrars, except those acting in cities which have a population of more than 100,000 as having occurred during the preceding year, and transmit to the clerk of the district court of each county a certified copy of such tabulation, so far as the same relates to the vital statistics of such county, and each clerk of the district court shall file, index and preserve such certified copy, and the same shall be prima facie evidence of each and every fact contained therein. Such tabulation shall be the basis of all reports of births and deaths, and reports of no births or deaths having occurred, transmitted by each local registrar during each year, but no fee shall be paid for "no report" cards if no report of a birth or death for that month is received later.

Upon the receipt and the filing of such certified copies the clerk of court shall issue to each local registrar within his county a voucher for the amount due him as shown by such tabulated statement. Upon the presentation of such voucher to the county auditor, a warrant for the amount thereof shall be issued by him. The forms of indexes and Indexing shall be prescribed by the state registrar and made in a suitable book furnished at the expense of the county. All statistics of birth and deaths shall be so indexed without other compensation than the clerk's salary, except, that in counties where the clerk is not on a salary basis he shall be paid five cents by the county for each name so indexed.

Whenever it satisfactorily appears to any clerk of court in Minnesota that a birth or death record on file in his office contains errors or omissions, or is false in some respect, he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same, and make such corrections therein as shall be proved by an affidavit made by a person presuming to know the fact or facts, which affidavit is to be filed with said clerk and made a part of the original record. He shall immediately furnish to the state registrar copies of such affidavits.

A. Whenever the clerk of the district court shall report to the state registrar that a judgment has been entered determining the paternity of an illegitimate child, the state registrar shall record the name of the father, and sufficient data to identify the judgment, in the record of the child in the office of the state registrar, and to the local registrar of the district in which such birth or death is reported, a copy of its judgment; whereupon, it shall be the duty of such registrars to make such corrections as to the statement of paternity on such birth or death certificate, and to attach to the original, or to his record of the original, a copy of such judgment. Likewise whenever any District Court shall enter a judgment that any person named on a birth certificate or death certificate, as the father of an illegitimate child, is not in fact the father of such child, the clerk of such court shall forward to the state registrar, and to the local registrar of the district in which such birth or death is reported, a copy of its judgment; whereupon, it shall be the duty of such registrars to make such corrections as to the statement of paternity on such birth or death certificate, and to attach to the original, or to his record of the original, a copy of such judgment. Whenever any court of competent jurisdiction shall have made findings in relation to the true status of a child whose birth certificate is incomplete or inaccurate or false, the state registrar shall prepare and file a new certificate setting forth the true information.

If the event it shall appear that a certificate of birth shall have been filed in behalf of a child said to be legitimate and such fact shall be controverted in the proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction, the court shall hear all evidence pertaining to such fact and shall make its findings accordingly. In the event of the findings that a child whose birth is recorded as legitimate is in truth and in fact an illegitimate child, the state registrar shall prepare and file in behalf of such child a new certificate pursuant to such findings which shall be deemed to be the original from thenceforth, and the original certificate shall be preserved by the state registrar as in other cases hereinbefore provided.

B. Except when so ordered by a court of record no member of the State Board of Health, nor any state or local registrar, shall give public notice that any child was illegitimate, nor disclose the fact that a new certificate has been filed for an adopted child. The district court shall have jurisdiction, upon petition against any person, to determine whether such person is entitled to receive any order permitting or requiring the inspection of records of births and deaths, as to which it may seem just and proper, and the making and delivery of certified copies thereof.

C. The birth and death records of the State Board of Health shall be open to inspection by the State Board of Control or its designated agents at all times, and it shall not be necessary for said Board of Control to obtain an order of court in order to inspect the records of illegitimate children and new certificates filed for adopted children, or to secure certified copies thereof.

D. Whenever the parents of a child whose birth has been reported to the State Board of Health as illegitimate shall marry each other and when the father of such illegitimate child shall execute an affidavit that he is the father of said child and that at a certain specified time he married the mother of said child and shall file said affidavit with the state registrar then the state registrar shall amend the birth record of such child so as to indicate the child is a legitimate child and certified copies thereof may be issued without order. Whenever such birth record is so amended, the state registrar shall report to the local registrar the legitimation of said child by the marriage of his parents to each other and the local registrar shall note upon his records the fact that the child is legitimated and record his name as the father. The state registrar shall in-
clude in his annual report to the clerk of district court of the county a copy of said affidavit of the father legitimizing said child and the said clerk of court shall file said affidavit and enter on his record the name of the father and the fact that such child is legitimized. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 88, §5.)


Confidential information given to child welfare board should be classed as privileged and its disclosure would be contrary to public interest. Op. Atty. Gen., Dec. 29, 1931.


§5366. Certified copies of record as evidence.—The state registrar, or any local registrar, shall furnish any applicant therefor a certified copy of the record of any birth or death recorded under the provisions of this act, provided that the fact that any child was illegitimate, shall not be disclosed except when ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with section 5365-B. For the making and certification of which the registrar shall be entitled to receive a fee of fifty cents, to be paid by the applicant. Such a copy of the record of a birth or death, when certified by the state or local registrar to be a true transcript therefrom shall be prima facie evidence of the fact therein stated in all courts in this state. The state registrar shall keep a correct transcript of said record as does not relate to illegitimacy of child, and such transcript shall be evidence in any court upon the facts so recorded. (As amended Mar. 28, 1939, c. 89, §6.)

Mihirex v. F., 160M214, 242NW290; note under §5357. Certification of death is not admissible in evidence as showing that death was suicidal. New York L. L. Co. v. A. (CCAB), 698(2070).

The medical certificate of death provided for by statute is admissible in evidence to prove, prima facie, the cause as well as the fact of death. 176M636, 222NW597.

The medical certificate of death is not admissible in evidence in litigation between private parties, to prove the indications or inferences of murder, suicide, or accident, drawn by the certificate maker from the "means and circumstances," as provided by law. Bacquet v. N., 165 M334, 266NW708. See Dun. Dig., 334(160), 334(67).

A physician's death certificate is not conclusive as to cause of death. Clayton v. Calvert, 204 M198. Evid. This section of the ordinances, however, may be contradicted or explained by evidence. Kram v. J., 204M198. Evid., Dec. 16, 1930.

Where child has been legitimized by affidavit of parent and court of district court has entered record of birth, but record does not relate to illegitimacy of child, and complete certified copy of entire record may be secured only by obtaining order of court. Op. Atty. Gen. (144b-27), May 6, 1937.

Records of local registrar of public records and information contained therein are public property and any person making proper inquiry at any reasonable time has right of access thereto, except that person making inquiry which contains information which cannot be lawfully disclosed without an order of court. Op. Atty. Gen. (225K), July 9, 1939.


§5377. Other remedies preserved. Where a municipality casts sewage upon private property and creates and maintains a nuisance thereon, the lawful or lawful occupant may recover damages. 177M 547, 226NW398.

§5377-1. Pollution of waters—State Board of Health to administer and enforce laws. Mason's Minn. St. 1927, §5377-1 to 5377-6, granting state board of health power to administer and enforce all laws relating to pollution of waters of state, did not render or affect §5379, and did not authorize courts to abate private nuisances arising from pollution of waters. Sattler v. H., 262M553, 275NW1031. See Dun. Dig., 728(726), Jan. 7, 1935.

§5379. Nuisance, source of filth, etc. In an action to recover damages for the loss of a building destroyed after an effort by city authorities to abate it, held that under a city ordinance, held that the evidence was insufficient to establish that the order of condemnation was properly directed as provided by the ordinance, and the court properly directed a verdict for plaintiff, leaving the amount thereof to the jury. Cook v. H., 258M242, 246NW221. See Dun. Dig., 6009(78).

Village council having determined that a garbage dump was a nuisance, local health officer should then move to abate private nuisances arising from pollution of waters. Mason's Minn. St. 1927, §5377-1 to 5377-6, granting state board of health power to administer and enforce all laws relating to pollution of waters of state, did not render or affect §5379, and did not authorize courts to abate private nuisances arising from pollution of waters. Sattler v. H., 262M553, 275NW1031. See Dun. Dig., 728(726), Jan. 7, 1935.


Expenses of person admitted to state sanatorium under §5384-1 are to be paid by the state, and not a county, and person admitted cannot gain residence during period of hospitalization in county from which he came or county in which sanatorium is located. Op. Atty. Gen. (333F-9), July 11, 1936.


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5391. Federal aid for maternal and child welfare service—Custodian of fund—plan of operation—local appropriations.—The state treasurer of the state of Minnesota is hereby appointed as the custodian of all monies received or which may hereafter be received, by the state for federal aid granted for maternal and child welfare service, and for public health services, which monies shall be expended in accordance with the purposes expressed in the Acts of Congress granting such aid, and solely in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed in the Acts of Congress granting such aid, and solely in accordance with the purposes expressed in the Acts of Congress granting such aid, and solely in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the state board of health; that the plans so to be prepared by said state board of health for maternal and child health service shall be approved by the United States Children's Bureau; and that the plans of the state board of health for public health service shall be approved by the United States Public Health Service. Such plans shall include the training of personnel for both state and local health work, and shall conform with all the requirements governing federal aid for said purposes; and such plans shall be designed to secure for the state of Minnesota the maximum amount of federal aid which is possible to be secured on the basis of the available state, county and local appropriations for such purposes. The state board of health shall make reports which shall be in such form and contain such information as may be required by said United States Children's Bureau or the United States Public Health Service, as the case may be; and it further shall comply with all the provisions, rules and regulations which may be prescribed by said federal authorities in order to secure the correction and verification of such reports. (Jan. 24, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 70, § 1.)

5392. Same—rules and regulations.—The state board of health shall on its own behalf, or in behalf of said state board, have the power to establish and adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this act; and alter, amend, suspend or repeal any of such rules and regulations. (Jan. 24, 1936, Ex. Ses., c. 70, § 2.)

SUBJECTS FOR DISSECTION

5393. What bodies excepted. 
Wife has legal right to possession of dead body of her husband for purpose of a decent burial and a wrongful mutilation of her husband's body or an interference with corpse entitles surviving wife to damages against wrongdoer. Kingsey v. Anderson, 253 Minn. 543, 257 N.W. 449; note under § 5384. — Nature of property rights in a dead body. 18 Minn. L. Rev. 249.

If a body is claimed for burial or cremation by a fraternal organization, or persons claiming friendship with the deceased and desiring to have the body disposed of at the expense of the organization or persons, such organization or persons shall have the right to deliver such body to such organization or persons, and the charge of body has authority to deliver to such organization or person. 5384-1, 5384-23. (Op. Atty. Gen. (103f), Mar. 2, 1938.)

5394-1. Unlawful to transport garbage without permit.—It shall be unlawful for any person to transport garbage, offal, ashes, or other rubbish over any public highway, including trunk highways, except upon obtaining a permit so to do from the governing body of each town, city, or village through which such transportation may take place. A separate permit shall be issued for each vehicle used in such transportation, and shall state the period of time, not exceeding one year, that the permit shall be in effect, and the place to which the weight or over which such garbage, offal, ashes, or other rubbish may be transported. Where a town, city, or village may revoke any permit at any time. The owner or operator of each vehicle shall carry such permit on his person or attached to such vehicle at all times while transporting such material. The provisions herein shall not apply to the transportation of any of the materials herein mentioned over roads within the limits of the town, city or village in which such garbage, offal, ashes or other rubbish originates. (Act Mar. 19, 1951, c. 77, § 1.)
§5394-2. Violation a misdemeanor.—Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Act Mar. 19, 1931, c. 77, §2.)

§5394-3. Definitions.—The word “person” as used herein shall include individuals, copartnerships, or corporations, and shall include persons hauling under contract or agreement with any municipal corporation or board or commission thereof, and any employe of such contractor, or of such municipality, board or commission. (Act Mar. 19, 1931, c. 77, §3.)

§5394-4. Application.—This act applies only in all counties of this state having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants. (Act Mar. 19, 1931, c. 77, §4.)

CHAPTER 30
Live Stock Sanitation

5402. Diseased horses and cattle to be killed—Rate of compensation to owner.—Whenever the State Live Stock Sanitary Board (hereinafter called the board) shall decide upon the killing of an animal affected with the disease of tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, or glanders, or Bang's disease, it shall notify the owner or keeper thereof of such decision and when in the judgment of the board, such animal may be ordered transported for immediate slaughter by said board, through its executive officer to any abattoir where the United States Bureau of Animal Industry maintains inspection, or where the United States Bureau of Animal Industry or the board may establish field posts mortem inspection, the owner shall receive the value of the net salvage of the carcass.

Before the animal is removed from the premises of the owner, the representative or authorized agent of the board shall agree in writing with the owner as to the value of such animal; in the absence of such agreement, there shall be appointed three (3) competent disinterested men, one appointed by the board, one by the owner, and a third by the first two, to appraise such animal at its cash value, taking into consideration the condition of the animal as to the disease and its present and probable effect on the animal.

Such appraisal shall in no case exceed $100 for a cow and $125 for a horse, except in the case of pure bred cattle and horses where the pedigrees shall be proved by certificates of registration from the herd books where registered, and in which case the maximum appraisal shall not exceed $200.00.

The appraisements made under this act shall be in writing and signed by the appraisers and certified by the board, to the auditor of the state, who shall draw a warrant on the state treasurer for the amount due the owner. (02, c. 352, §13; '05, c. 116; '09, c. 401; G.S.'13, §4696; '13, c. 148; '15, c. 114; '17, c. 181; '19, c. 455; '25, c. 230, §1; Feb. 20, 1929, c. 36, §1; Feb. 28, 1935, c. 32; Apr. 8, 1939, c. 171, §1.)

Money appropriated by legislature in 1935 for expense of Bang's disease vaccines may be used to pay indemnity to owner condemned because of such disease. Op. Att'y Gen. (1935-1), April 13, 1935.

5403. Same—Inspection before killing—Appraisal of and payments to owners for animals killed.—Endeavement of foot and mouth diseases.—(a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, neither cattle affected with tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, Bang's disease, or glanders, nor glanded horses shall be killed so long as they have been inspected by a veterinarian appointed by the board, and are pronounced by him to be so diseased.

For each animal slaughtered because of tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, glanders, or Bang's disease, the value of the net salvage of the carcass shall be deducted from the appraised value of the living animal; provided that in no case shall any payment be more than $15.00 for grade females or more than $30.00 for any purebred animal, nor, in case of joint payments on the part of the Federal government or any other agency, shall compensation from all sources aggregate more than $15.00 for grade females or more than $30.00 for any purebred animal, and that no payment shall be made unless the owner has complied with all lawful rules and regulations of the board; and provided further that two-thirds of the appraised value of any horse slaughtered as provided herein shall be paid to the owner thereof by the state after disposal of the carcass of said horse as directed by the board.

(b) The owner of any animal, as provided in this act, shall be entitled to indemnity therefor as herein provided, except in the following cases:
1. Indemnity shall not be paid for steers or grade bulls.
2. Animals which have not been kept for one year, or since their birth in good faith, in the state.
3. Animals brought into the state, or from one county into another within the state, contrary to any provision of law or rules and regulations of the board.
4. Animals diseased at time of arrival in this state.
5. Animals belonging to the United States.
6. Animals belonging to corporations, and shall include persons hauling under contract or agreement with any municipal corporation or board or commission thereof, and any employe of such contractor, or of such municipality, board or commission.
7. Animals which the owner or claimant know to be diseased or had notice thereof at the time they came into his possession, or when the owner shall have been guilty of negligence by wilfully exposing his animal or animals to Bang's disease, or if the animals have been injected with live Bang's disease organisms in the form of so-called Bang's disease vaccines.
8. When the owner has received indemnity as a result of a former inspection or tests and has hereafter introduced into his herd any animals which theretofore had not passed the tuberculin or Bang's disease test.
9. Where the owner, agent, or person in possession of said animal has not complied with the rules and regulations of the board with respect to animals condemned.
10. When the condemned animals are not destroyed within 15 days after date of appraisal, except that in extraordinary circumstances and in meritorious cases and at the discretion of the secretary and executive officer of the board, said time limit of 15 days may be extended an additional 15 days, provided, however, that the owner receives permission to do so from the said secretary and executive officer within 15 days of date of appraisal.
11. No indemnity or compensation shall be paid for the destruction of any livestock affected with tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, glanders, or Bang's disease, unless the entire herd of which such affected livestock is a part, or from which such affected livestock has originated, shall be examined and tested under the supervision of the board, in order to determine if they are free from such disease.
12. No indemnity or compensation shall be paid for the destruction of any livestock affected with tuberculosis, paratuberculosis, glanders, or Bang's disease, unless the owner has carried out the instructions and regulations of the board relating to the cleaning, disinfection and rendering the stable and premises in a sanitary condition, within 15 days from the time of removal of such animals from the premises, except when because of inclement weather or other extenuating circumstances, the time may be extended by the executive officer of the board.