

CHAPTER XXI.

An Act to Amend Section Eighteen of Chapter Fifty-seven of the Compiled Statutes, Relating to Juries in District Courts.

SECTION 1. Amendment to section 18. Court may order special venire—when.
 2. Act, when to take effect.

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

SECTION 1. That section eighteen of chapter fifty-seven of the compiled statutes be amended so as to read as follows :

When court may
order special
venire

Whenever at any term of the district court in any of the counties of this State, there shall from any cause be a deficiency of jurors, the court may order a special venire to issue to the sheriff of the county, commanding him to summons from the county at large, a number therein named of competent persons to serve as jurors for the term or for any specified number of days. And if at any term of such court in any county there shall from any cause happen to be an entire absence of jurors of the regular panel, whether from an omission to draw or to summon such jurors or because of a challenge to the panel, or from any other cause, the court may in like manner order a special venire to issue to the sheriff of the county, commanding him to summon from the county at large a number therein named of competent persons to serve as jurors during the term; and a jury composed from the persons so summoned shall be legal and competent in any civil or criminal action as if composed of persons selected from a regular panel.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6th, 1862.