

ulations so prescribed by said boards, common council or supervisors shall be submitted to and approved by the attorney general of this state before they are published and carried into effect.

SEC. 3. No ballot clerks shall be employed in any county, city, village or town election district wherein automatic voting machines are used at any election; and no more than three (3) judges of election shall be appointed or employed for a compensation in any town, village or city precinct wherein such ballot machines are used at any election, and no other person or persons shall be authorized to act in any capacity as election officers in such election precinct.

Only three judges of election to be appointed when machine is used.

SEC. 4. All election officers are hereby charged with the proper carrying out of the necessary regulations prescribed for the use of any automatic ballot machines provided in their respective town, village or city precinct.

Duty of election officers.

SEC. 5. All laws and parts of laws now in force within this state which relate to state, county, city, village and town elections and defining the powers and duties of election officers so far as applicable to the use of automatic voting machines, shall remain in full force and effect; and all laws and parts of laws inconsistent herewith shall be suspended in each county, city, village, town or precinct wherein such ballot machines are used, so long as the same shall be used therein; and nothing in this act contained shall be construed as repealing any existing laws, or authorizing any deviation or omission therefrom, except as provided for or set forth therein.

Application of prior laws.

SEC. 6. Any violations of the provisions of this act or any willful attempt to injure or render ineffectual any such automatic ballot machine provided in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be deemed a misdemeanor.

Willful injury to machine a misdemeanor.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20th, 1899.

CHAPTER 316.

H. F. No. 397.

An act for the relief of Joseph McKnight for personal injuries sustained while a patient in the Rochester hospital for the insane at Rochester, Minnesota, during A. D. eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), and to appropriate money therefor.

Joseph McKnight; relief of.

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

\$1,500 appropriated for injuries at Rochester asylum.

SECTION 1. That the sum of fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of Joseph McKnight, for personal injuries sustained by him while a patient at the Rochester state hospital for the insane at Rochester, Minnesota, during the year A. D. eighteen hundred and ninety-five (1895), whereby he was injured by overt acts of attendants, and incapacitated from following his profession as an attorney at law for life.

SEC. 2. The state auditor is hereby directed, immediately after the passage and upon the approval of this act, to draw his warrant on the state treasurer for fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars in favor of and deliver the same to said Joseph McKnight.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20th, 1899.

H. F. No. 23.

CHAPTER 317.

Express companies; taxation of.

An act to amend section six (6) of chapter three hundred and nine (309) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897), relating to the taxation of express companies.

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

Sec. 6, c. 309, Laws 1897, amended.

SECTION 1. That section six (6) of chapter three hundred and nine (309) of the General Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven (1897) be amended to read as follows:

State auditor to draw on for 5 per cent of gross receipts.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the state auditor on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of March of each year to make his draft on such express companies for the sum in the nature of a tax to be computed by taking five (5) per centum of the amount fixed by the state auditor under the provisions of section four (4) of this act as the gross receipts of such companies for business done between points within the State of Minnesota for the year ending the last day of December next preceding, as reported to the state auditor, and place the said draft in the hands of the state treasurer for collection, which shall be in lieu of all taxes upon all personal property of any express company so paying the same.

Collection of same by state treasurer.