

act, or in any other law of this state hereafter enacted, shall be construed to mean any association such as is defined in this section.

SEC. 2. The money or other benefit, charity, relief or aid to be paid, provided or rendered by any association authorized to do business under this act shall not be liable to attachment, garnishment or other process, and shall not be seized, taken, appropriated or applied by any legal or equitable process or by operation of law to pay any debt or liability of a certificate holder or of any beneficiary named in any certificate or any person who may have any right thereunder. And the buildings and other property used by said association in carrying on its business, and all dues, assessments and other payments and the accumulations thereof, held and possessed by said association for the payment of death, sick or disability benefits, and the reserve, emergency and other mortuary funds of said association, shall be exempt from taxation for state, county and municipal purposes. *Provided*, that nothing in this act shall be construed to exempt from taxation any real estate owned by any association incorporated or doing business under the provisions of this act, except such as is occupied exclusively by such association in carrying on its business.

Not liable to attachment or other process.

Exempt from taxation.

Must be used exclusively in carrying on business.

SEC. 3. This act shall apply to and govern any and all associations, corporations and societies heretofore organized or authorized to do business in this state and now or hereafter operating upon a plan in accordance with the provisions of this act, but this act shall not be construed to affect fraternal beneficiary associations having a lodge system with ritualistic form of work and representative form of government.

Does not affect beneficiary associations having lodge systems.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20, 1903.

CHAPTER 297.

S. F. No. 496

An act to authorize certain officials to prevent the suffering of animals by exposure to inclement weather.

To prevent suffering of animals.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Minnesota.

SECTION 1. Every sheriff, constable, village marshal and police officer are hereby authorized to enter into and

Officers authorized to act.

upon any place, or to remove from the public highway or streets any horse, mule or other animal which is exposed to the weather and not properly blanketed or continued without attention for more than two successive hours in cold or inclement weather, and take possession of said horse, mule or other animal and remove the same and supply the same with the necessary shelter and attention; and the person or persons supplying such horse, mule or other animal with necessary shelter and attention shall have a lien against said horse, mule or other animal for the value of such shelter and attention, including food and water, while being cared for as herein provided, and any such sheriff, constable village marshal or police officer shall not be held liable in damages in taking or removing of a horse, mule or other animal as hereinbefore provided, so long as he exercises reasonable care in doing so. Any such officer is authorized to deliver any such horse, mule or other animal to the custody and possession of any other person or persons whom he may select to provide for the same, and in all cases, the owner or custodian of such horse, mule or other animal, if known, shall be immediately notified of such action by the person taking possession of such animal, and the expenses of giving such notice shall be a charge against said horse, mule or other animal and collected the same as the expense incident to providing for such horse, mule or other animal; or if the owner or custodian be unknown, and cannot with reasonable effort, be ascertained: and if such owner or custodian shall not, within five days after notice of such action, redeem such horse, mule or other animal by paying all the expenses incurred by such action, and thereafter supply such horse, mule or other animal with necessary protection from inclement weather, shelter and proper attention, such horse, mule or other animal shall be held to be an estray and shall be dealt with as such.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

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Lien on animal.

Officer not liable to damages, if exercising reasonable care.

Owner to have notice.

Estray.