

transact insurance other than life in this state in such manner and on such terms as the insurance commissioner may direct, *providing* that if such organization shall be possessed of cash on hand and guaranteed subscriptions of the underwriters after deducting all liabilities except reinsurance reserve of a sum of not less than \$50,000.00, and that the net cash on hand shall be equal to the reinsurance reserve calculated on a basis of 50 per cent of the premiums in force, and that evidence shall be furnished to the insurance commissioner that the underwriters are men of good financial standing, responsible for their obligations, and that the organization does not issue policies of insurance on any one risk greater sums than one-fifth of the aggregate of the subscriptions of the several underwriters or the amount to which they may become liable, the commissioner shall license them under similar requirements as are made and prescribed in this act for the admission of foreign mutual fire insurance companies so far as the same may reasonably apply. Said association of individuals known as Lloyds are herein expressly authorized to transact insurance known as Sprinkler Leakage Insurance.

SEC. 2. Provisions of all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 11, 1905.

#### CHAPTER 131.

S.F. No. 380.

*An act entitled "An act providing for the employment of road foremen in counties of the state having a population of more than 75,000 inhabitants and an area of more than 5,000 square miles, specifying the duties of such foremen and providing for the auditing and payment of their bills and the bills of the men employed under them against the county."*

Employment  
of road  
foremen.

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

SECTION 1. In any county in this state now or hereafter having a population of more than 75,000 inhabitants according to the then next preceding state or national census and an area of more than 5,000 square miles, the county commissioners of such county may divide the

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same into two or more road districts and appoint by a majority vote of the board one or more road foreman for each district whose duties shall be those fixed by this act, and in addition thereto such other and further duties as such board of county commissioners may from time to time see fit to impose.

Duties of foreman.

SEC. 2. Any such foreman so employed shall have charge of the construction or repair of the county roads in his district or such portions of them as are entrusted by the county board to his supervision and shall see that the orders of the board with reference to such construction and repair are carried out; shall keep the time of the men employed upon such road work and shall direct them in their labor; shall have the charge and care of the tools and implements belonging to the county used in such road work, shall keep an inventory thereof and at the completion or suspension of the work shall return to such board a list of such tools and implements remaining in his care and make such disposition of the same as he may be directed to do by the board; shall, in addition to directing the work of the men so employed, work with them so far as practicable in cases where the number of men employed is less than fifteen; but such foreman shall not be paid for any time not actually employed in and about said work and in carrying out the orders of the board.

Provision for statement.

SEC. 3. Each road foreman so appointed shall present to such board on or before the second day of each month a statement showing his own name, the name of each workman employed under him during the month previous, each day of the month on which any work was done and the number of hours of work performed by himself and each of such workmen during each such day; and indicating what time checks, if any, have been issued for any of said work. Said statement shall be verified by the oath of such foreman to the effect that the same is just and true in all respects; that the services therein set forth were actually rendered by the persons and at the times therein stated and were of the value therein charged; and that no part of the claims therein referred to or any of them has been paid.

Verification.

Audited by Co. Commissioners.

When any such statement, duly verified and containing the particulars in this act provided, is presented to the board of county commissioners of any such county, said board shall audit such statement or so much thereof

as may seem to them just and proper and so much of the same as is audited and allowed shall be paid to the foreman and the individual workmen or their assigns by warrants upon the county treasurer in the same manner as other bills against the county are audited and allowed, but no sworn statement shall be required except that of the foreman herein provided.

SEC. 4. At the end of the month, or at the date of his discharge, the foreman may issue to any workman employed under him during the month a time check, showing the date of its issuance, the name of the workman to whom issued, the number of days and hours of work, the rate of wages, the full amount due and any offsets or deductions. Said time check may be assigned by endorsement upon the back thereof, and such endorsement if agreeing with the name of the party to whom such time check is issued and if witnessed by at least one witness shall be prima facie genuine. Any time check so issued shall be subject to correction to conform to the sworn statement hereinbefore provided and shall not be paid until such sworn statement has been audited and allowed as in this act provided. In case a time check has been given, no warrant shall be issued for the work covered by it unless the time check is presented to the county auditor except in cases where the time check has been lost or destroyed; in which case the party to whom the same was issued, or his assignee, before he is entitled to payment shall make affidavit to the facts relating thereto and file the same, together with a bond to the county with sureties satisfactory to the county auditor in an amount not less than double the amount of his claim.

May issue  
time checks.

SEC. 5. Any foreman who, with intent to defraud such county either to his own advantage or to the advantage of any other person or persons, shall make, swear to or present or cause to be presented to the board of county commissioners of any such county any statement called for by the provisions of this act and containing any false or inaccurate particulars, items or charges, either as to his own work or that of any workman or workmen employed under him, shall be guilty of a felony; and the making, swearing to or presenting or causing to be presented of any such statement shall be prima facie evidence of such intent to defraud.

Affidavit  
of facts.

Violation  
a felony.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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