

CHAPTER 290—H. F. No. 804.

An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 122, General Laws of 1905, being an act to require railroad companies to report all wrecks and casualties wherein any person is injured or killed, to the railroad and warehouse commission.

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

Accidents and wrecks to be reported to R. R. Com.—

Section 1. That section 1, chapter 122, General Laws of 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of every railroad company operating a line of railroad in this state to report all accidents, wrecks or casualties occurring in this state to the railroad and warehouse commission. This is intended to include all accidents, wrecks or casualties occurring in the operation of trains or engines on said line or lines of railway within this state, and all other accidents or casualties of whatever nature as may be required under rules adopted by the commission. Any reports to the commission herein required shall not be for public inspection.

All accidents or wrecks occurring in the operation of trains or engines involving loss of life or personal injury, shall be immediately reported to the commission by telegraph or telephone message, and the company shall forthwith send a written report in detail giving full particulars available in such form as the commission may require. All other accidents, including accidents resulting in personal injury or death, other than train accidents, shall be reported to the commission on the first day of each month, covering the preceding month.

Duties of commissioners.—Sec. 2. That section 2, chapter 122, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Whenever any report is made to the commission involving a wreck, accident or casualty, and the commission deems it necessary, it shall forthwith examine into the causes and circumstances of the same, and it shall thereupon be the duty of the commission to order such railroad company to comply with any reasonable requirement prescribed by the commission, calculated to prevent the recurrence of any such wreck, accident or casualty,

and it shall be the duty of the commission to report to the legislature biennially a summarized statement of all wrecks, accidents or casualties reported, together with a recommendation of such additional legislation as it deems proper for the greater protection of passengers and employes of railroad companies.

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

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 291—H. F. No. 825.

In Act entitled "An act to authorize all cities in this state now or hereafter having a population of over 50,000 inhabitants to condemn lands under the right of eminent domain, for sites and grounds for public school buildings, and for all other municipal or public buildings for such cities, or for any of the departments of its government."

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

Right of eminent domain for public building sites—proceedings.—Section 1. That hereafter any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants shall have the right, power and authority to condemn lands under the right of eminent domain for sites and grounds for public school buildings, and for all other municipal or public buildings for such cities, or for any of the departments of its government, and such power and authority shall be exercised under and pursuant to the terms and provisions of chapter 41 of the Revised Laws of Minnesota for the year 1905 and acts amendatory thereof; *provided, however,* that any such city shall have the right, upon the filing of the award of the commissioners provided for in said chapter 41, and upon giving the notice therein required of the filing of such award, to enter upon and appropriate the lands so condemned, without the giving of any bond, but in case of such entry and appropriation, such city shall be bound absolutely to pay all damages awarded, either by said commissioners or by the court upon appeal therefrom, together with all costs and expenses adjudged against it therein, within the time specified in said chapter 41. In case any such