

CHAPTER 133—H. F. No. 580.

An act prohibiting persons under eighteen years of age or minor pupils of schools from playing pool, billiards, or bowling in public places and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

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

Minor pupils prohibited from entering billiard halls, ten pin alleys, etc.—Section 1. All persons under the age of eighteen years or who are minor pupils in any school, college or university are prohibited from playing pool or billiards or ten pins or bowling, whether on a ten pin alley or a box ball alley in any public pool or billiard room or bowling alley or in any public place of business, and any person under the age of eighteen years of age, or any minor pupil in any school, college or university who shall engage in any game of pool or billiard or bowling in any such place, or frequent, or loiter within any pool or billiard room or bowling alley, or public place of business where pool, billiard or bowling are played, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding ten (10) dollars.

Proprietors of pool and billiard rooms and bowling alleys prohibited from allowing pupils to frequent such places.—Sec. 2. Every keeper or person in charge of any public pool or billiard room, public bowling alley or public place of business where pool, billiards or bowling are played who shall permit or allow any person under the age of eighteen (18) years of age, or any minor pupil of any school, college or university to play any of said games therein, or to gather in, loiter in or frequent any such place, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five (25) dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding thirty (30) days.

Parents may give permission in writing.—Sec. 3. Nothing in this act shall prohibit the parents or lawful guardians of such minors from granting privileges prohibited by this act, provided that same shall be in writing, signed by such parent or guardian.

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

Approved March 31, 1909.