

person guilty of such violation, his actual damages and \$100 in addition thereto; and evidence that such person debarred was at the time sober, orderly and willing to pay for such enjoyment in accordance with rates fixed therefor for civilians, shall be prima facie evidence that he was debarred on account of his wearing such uniform or of his being in such service.

Sec. 3. Any person violating any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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#### CHAPTER 262—S. F. No. 589.

*An Act entitled "An Act to authorize any city in the State of Minnesota now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants, including any such city now or hereafter governed by a charter adopted pursuant to section 36, article 4, of the constitution of Minnesota, to issue and sell bonds sufficient to defray the damages, costs and expenses incurred in the condemnation and taking of any slaughtering or rendering establishment or establishments within the limits of any such city."*

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

**Bonds for expenses incurred in condemning slaughtering establishments.**—Section 1. That any city in this state now or hereafter having a population of over fifty thousand inhabitants, including any such city now or hereafter governed by a charter adopted pursuant to section 36, article 4 of the constitution of this state, in addition to all the powers now possessed by any such city, is hereby authorized and empowered, acting and through the common council of such city, by ordinance duly enacted by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all members elect of such common council, to issue and sell bonds of such city in an amount sufficient to defray the damages, costs and expenses which may be incurred in the condemnation and taking of any slaughtering or rendering establishment or establishments, within the limits of such city.

**How issued and sold.**—Sec. 2. The bonds authorized by this act may be issued and sold by any such city notwithstanding any limitation contained in the charter of such city or in any law of this state prescribing or fixing any limit upon the bonded indebtedness of such city, and the full faith and credit of any such city shall at all times be pledged for the payment of any bonds issued under this act, and for the payment of current interest thereon, and the common council of such city shall each

year include in the tax levy a sufficient amount to provide for the payment of such interest as it accrues and for the accumulation of a sinking fund for the redemption of such bonds at their maturity.

**30 years at 4 per cent.**—Sec. 3. No bonds issued under this act shall run for a longer term than thirty years, or bear a higher rate of interest than four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, but the place of payment of the principal and interest thereof and the denominations in which the same are issued shall be such as may be determined by the common council, and may be in the form of coupon bonds or registered certificates, so-called. All of such bonds shall be signed by the mayor, and be attested by the city clerk and countersigned by the city comptroller of the city issuing the same, and shall be sealed with the seal of such city; but the signatures to the coupons attached to said bonds, if any, may be lithographed thereon. None of said bonds shall be sold at less than par value and accrued interest, and then only to the highest responsible bidder therefor.

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

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#### CHAPTER 263—S. F. No. 70.

*An Act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 437 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1909, relating to the establishment and maintenance of safety funds by companies transacting fire insurance business."*

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

**Dividends may be declared out of surplus profits.**—Section 1. That section 3 of chapter 437 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1909 be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

Section 3. After the date of filing any such resolution with the insurance commissioner, such company shall not make or declare or pay in any form any dividend upon its capital stock, exceeding eight per cent. per annum thereupon and six per cent. per annum upon the surplus funds to be formed hereunder, until after its guaranty surplus fund and its special reserve fund shall have together accumulated to an amount equal to its capital stock; and any part of the surplus profits of such company above such annual dividend, may be equally divided between and set apart to constitute the said guaranty surplus fund and the said