

notice in five daily newspapers, *once in each week* for at least two weeks before the time appointed for the hearing upon said petition.

In lieu of proceeding under the foregoing paragraph of this section and section 2 of Chapter 303, Laws of 1905, any accident or health company, may consolidate and enter into a contract of reinsurance with any other company by filing with the commissioner of insurance a copy of such contract and all papers relating thereto, which consolidation and reinsurance shall take effect upon such filing and the mailing to each person holding a policy so reinsured a notice thereof. Provided, that if the holders of not less than five per cent of such policies so reinsured shall within thirty days thereafter file a petition with the commissioner of insurance for a hearing on the question of such reinsurance, the commissioner shall, and without such petition may, order a hearing as provided in section 4, Chapter 303, Laws of 1905, notice of which shall be given by the company by mail to each holder of such policy, so reinsured, at least ten days before such hearing, and thereupon proceedings shall be had as provided in sections 4 and 5, Chapter 303, Laws of 1905.

Sec. 2. No extra compensation to employes of insurance department.—That Section 5 of Chapter 303, Laws of 1905, be amended so as to read as follows:

All actual expenses and costs incident to proceedings under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the company or companies bringing said petition, and an itemized statement of the expenses and costs shall be filed with the insurance commissioner with a certified copy of the decision of the commissioner. No officer of any such company or companies, nor member of said commission, or employe of the State Insurance Department, shall receive any compensation, gratuity or otherwise, directly or indirectly, for in any manner aiding, promoting or assisting in such consolidation or reinsurance.

Approved April 24, 1915.

CHAPTER 334—S. F. No. 413.

An Act to enforce payment of real estate taxes upon all unsold tracts of land included in the sale held in the year 1914 under the provisions of Chapter 543, General Laws of 1913.

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

Section 1. County auditor to include certain tracts in sale of 1915.—That all tracts of land included in the sale held in the year 1914 under the provisions of Chapter 543, General Laws of 1913, and not sold to an actual purchaser either at said sale or by subsequent assignment shall be included by the county

auditor in the list and sale to be made by him in the year 1915 under the provisions of Sections 2127 and 2128, General Statutes of 1913.

Sec. 2. Not less than 50 per cent of assessed valuation.—That such tracts may be sold at such sale for not less than fifty per cent of the assessed valuation of such tracts for the year 1914. The purchaser shall also pay taxes for the year 1913 with penalties and interest thereon in full as a part of his bid.

Sec. 3. To be bid in by state, if not by other parties.—All such tracts not disposed of at said sale to an actual purchaser shall be bid in by the State of Minnesota for the full amount of the judgment obtained under said Chapter 543, General Laws of 1913, and if not assigned to an actual purchaser thereafter they shall be included by the county auditor in the annual forfeited sale by him in August of each year thereafter until sold at not less than the minimum price specified in the preceding section or assigned to an actual purchaser. Any one purchasing any of said tracts subsequent to the sale held in August, 1915, shall in addition to his bid pay the full amount of all taxes, penalties and interest subsequent to the taxes of 1912.

Sec. 4. 1897 and prior taxes abandoned.—That upon the sale of any such tract to an actual purchaser the taxes for the year 1897 and prior years shall be deemed abandoned and relinquished and the county auditor authorized to cancel the same on his books.

Sec. 5. Provision for redemption.—Redemption may be made as provided in said Chapter 543, General Laws of 1913, and the purchaser shall be entitled to a certificate and deed as therein provided and the proceeds of any such sale or assignment shall be distributed as therein provided. That all of the provisions thereof, so far as applicable, shall be applicable to any sale, redemption or other proceeding made by virtue hereof.

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

Approved April 24, 1915.

CHAPTER 335—S. F. No. 514.

An Act prohibiting the sale and use of canning compounds or chemical preservatives designed and had to be used in canning and preserving fresh fruits and vegetables, and defining and declaring what shall constitute adulteration and what compounds are unwholesome and injurious.

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

Section 1. Manufacture and sale of canning compounds prohibited.—It shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture for