

change or alter the compensation payable to any deputy so appointed by him. The commissioner of insurance may also employ such clerical assistance and office employes as he may deem advisable and necessary to carry on the work of the fire marshal's office.

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

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 103—S. F. No. 291.

An act to amend section 6358 General Statutes Minnesota, 1913, relating to state banks.

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

Section 1. **Investments in United States securities authorized.**—That section 6358, General Statutes Minnesota, 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

6358. The total liabilities to it, as principal, surety, or endorser of any person, corporation, or co-partnership, including the liabilities of the several members thereof, shall never exceed fifteen (15) per cent of its capital actually paid in cash and of its actual surplus fund. Provided, however, that loans not exceeding 25 per cent of such capital and surplus made upon first mortgage security on improved farms in the state of Minnesota, shall not constitute a liability of the maker of the notes secured by such mortgages within the meaning of the foregoing provision limiting liability, but shall be an actual liability of such maker; provided, that such mortgage loans be limited to, and in no case to exceed forty (40) per cent of the cash value of the security covered by such mortgage. The total liability of any officer or director shall never exceed ten per cent of the same aggregate amount. But the discount of the following classes of paper shall not be regarded as creating liability within the meaning of this section, viz.:

1. Of commercial paper actually owned by the person negotiating the same, or of the bonds, orders, warrants or other evidences of indebtedness of the United States, of federal land banks, of this state or of any county, town, village, or school district in this state.

2. Bills of exchange drawn in good faith against actually existing values.

3. Paper based upon the collateral security of warehouse receipts covering agricultural or manufactured products stored in elevators or warehouses under either of the following conditions:

First—When the actual market value of the property covered by such receipts at all times exceeds by at least ten per cent the amount known thereon.

Second—When the full amount of every such loan is at all times covered by fire insurance in duly authorized companies, within the limit of their ability to cover such amounts, and the excess, if any, in companies having sufficient paid-up capital to authorize their admission, and payable in case of loss, to the bank or holder of the warehouse receipt, unless accompanied by a certificate of the railroad and warehouse commission declaring the warehouse issuing the same to be fire-proof.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 104—S. F. No. 295.

An act to repeal Chapter 385, General Laws of Minnesota for 1913, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and supervision of insurance and certain other companies."

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

Section 1. Chapter 385, General Laws 1913, repealed.—That chapter 385, General Laws of Minnesota for 1913, be and the same hereby is repealed.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 105—S. F. No. 296.

An act amending the title and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 12, 15 and 17 of Chapter 429, General Laws, 1917, being "an act to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the state of Minnesota, providing for the enforcement thereof, and creating a state securities commission."

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

Section 1. State securities commission.—That the title of chapter 429, General Laws, 1917, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

An act to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the state of Minnesota, providing for the enforcement thereof and for prosecutions and penalties for the violation thereof, and creating a state securities commission.

Sec. 2. To consist of public examiner, superintendent of banks and attorney general—Selection of executive officer and salary—Reports.—That section 1 of chapter 429 of the General