CHAPTER 174-S. F. No. 976.

An act to legalize mortgages or deeds of trust executed by public service corporations in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Certain mortgages or deeds of trust legalized.—In all cases where any public service corporation owning property in this state has heretofore mortgaged or executed deeds of trust of the whole or any part of its property and franchises to secure money borrowed by it for the construction or equipment of its properties, and for its corporate purposes, and issued its corporate bonds bearing interest at a rate of not exceeding seven per cent per annum, and such mortgages or deeds of trust have been duly executed and are valid in all respects except as to the rate of interest specified therein, such mortgages and deeds of trust are hereby legalized and made valid in all respects.

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

after its passage.

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CHAPTER 175—H. F. No. 114.

An act to compensate workmen for time consumed while waiting for the payment of their wages after the same are due and owing. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Penalty for failure to pay wages promptly.— Whenever any person, firm, company, association or corporation employing labor within this state discharges a servant or employe from his employment, the wages actually earned and unpaid at the time of such discharge shall become immediately due and payable, upon demand of such employe, at the usual place of payment, and if not paid within twenty-four hours after such demand, whether such employment was by the day, hour, week, month or piece, such discharged employe may charge and collect wages at the rate agreed upon in the contract of employment, for such period, not exceeding fifteen days (after the expiration of said twenty-four hours) as the employer is in default, until full payment or other settlement, satisfactory to said discharged employe, is made.

Sec. 2. Notice to be given—Settlement of disputes.—Whenever any such employe (not having a contract for a definite period of service), quits or resigns his employment, the wages earned and unpaid at the time of such quitting or resignation shall become due and payable within five days thereafter, at the usual place of payment, and any such employer failing or refusing to pay such wages, after they so become due, upon the demand of such employe at such place of payment, shall be liable to such employe from the date of such demand for an additional sum equal to the wages