

## CHAPTER 354—H. F. No. 26.

*An act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 467, General Laws 1913, as amended by Section 7 of Chapter 209, General Laws 1915, relating to the liability of employers to provide suitable and necessary medical, surgical and hospital treatment for employes sustaining personal injury.*

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

Section 1. Provisions for medical, surgical and hospital treatment under compensation act.—Section 18 of chapter 467, General Laws 1913, as amended by section 7 of chapter 209, General Laws 1915, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 18. Such medical, surgical and hospital treatment, including nursing, medicines, medical and surgical supplies, crutches and apparatus, including artificial members, as may reasonably be required at the time of the injury, and during the disability for not exceeding ninety (90) days and not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) in value, to cure and relieve from the effects of the injury; provided, however, that upon request by the employe made during or after said period of ninety (90) days and necessity being shown therefor, the court may require the above treatment, articles and supplies for the cure and relief from the effects of such injury for such further time and amount as is just under the facts shown.

The above treatment, articles, and supplies shall be provided by the employer and in case of his inability or refusal seasonably to do so, the employer shall be liable for the reasonable expense incurred by or on behalf of the employe in providing the same.

The pecuniary liability of the employer for the treatment, articles and supplies herein required shall be limited to such charges therefor as prevail in the same community for similar treatment, articles and supplies furnished to injured persons of a like standard of living, when the same are paid for by the injured persons; and in all cases of dispute as to the value of the treatment, articles and (or) supplies furnished to or for an injured employe, either party may require that the same, before payment, shall be approved by the court, upon such reasonable notice to interested parties as the court shall require.

Approved April 22, 1919.

## CHAPTER 355—H. F. No. 376.

*An act to amend Section 1092 of the General Statutes of 1913, relating to the purchase of goods, materials and supplies in counties now or hereafter having a population of 300,000 or more inhabitants, the advertising for bids and letting of contracts.*

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

Section 1. Purchases by Hennepin county board not to exceed \$1,000 may be made without advertising for bids.—That

section 1092, General Statutes of 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1092. In all counties of this state now or hereafter having a population of 300,000 or more, no contract for the purchase of goods, materials, or supplies of any kind for the county, the estimated cost of which exceeds *five hundred dollars*, shall be made by the county board without first giving at least seven days' published notice that bids or proposals will be received therefor, stating the time and place. All such contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, shall be approved by resolution of the board, and signed by its chairman. In case no satisfactory bid is received, the board may re-advertise: *Provided, that by unanimous approval of the board recorded in its official proceedings, contracts may be made for the purchase of goods, materials, or supplies where the estimated cost thereof does not exceed one thousand dollars, without first advertising for bids*; provided, further, that in cases of unforeseen breakages or injuries in or connected with public buildings, where the public interest would suffer by delay, contracts for repairs may be made without advertising for bids, but in such case the action of the board shall be recorded in its official proceedings.

Sec. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 22, 1919.

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CHAPTER 356—H. F. No. 493.

*An act to amend Laws 1913, Chapter 467, Section 33, being General Statutes 1913, Section 8229, (2), relating to workmen's compensation.*

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

Section 1. **Deductions which employer may make in settlement under compensation act.**—Laws 1913, chapter 467, section 33, being General Statutes 1913, section 8229, (2), relating to workmen's compensation, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2). That where the injury or death for which compensation is payable under part 2 of this act was caused under circumstances also creating a legal liability for damages on the part of any party other than the employer, such party not being subject to the provisions of part 2 of this act, legal proceedings may be taken by the employe or dependents against such other party to recover damages, notwithstanding the payment by the employer, or his liability to pay compensation hereunder. But in such case, if the action against such other party is brought by the injured employe or in case of his death by his dependents, and judgment is obtained and paid, or settlement is made with such other party, either with or without suit, the employer shall be entitled to deduct from the