

license and authority have been so suspended. Such notification shall be mailed by registered letter and shall be deemed to have been received by the company at its home office in the usual course of the mails. Any insurance company wilfully making a false annual or other required statement shall forfeit five hundred dollars to the state. Either or both of the aforesaid forfeitures may be recovered in a civil action brought by and in the name of the state and the money recovered shall be paid into the state treasury. No action shall be brought for the recovery of a penalty accruing prior to the passage of this act by reason of the failure of any company to file its annual statement within the time specified by law.

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

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 450—H. F. No. 1209.

An act requiring warning signs to be placed on certain roads rendered impassable by reason of the construction or improvement thereof or bridges and culverts thereon.

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

Section 1. Warning signs at intersecting highways.—Whenever a town board or county board shall enter into a contract for the construction or improvement of any road, or any culvert or bridge thereon, they shall, as a condition of such contract, provide therein that the contractor shall place suitable warning signs, at the highways intersecting such road so to be constructed or improved, warning the public, if such is the case, that such road so under construction or improvement is impassable at a designated place or distance from such warning sign. Such signs shall be placed at such places as will obviate the necessity of unnecessary travel by persons not otherwise aware of the impassable condition of such roads.

Provided, however, that nothing in the provisions of this act shall make any town or county liable in damages for the failure of a town or county board to provide in any contract for the erection of a warning sign, such as is herein provided for; or for the failure of any contractor to erect same in accordance with the provisions of his contract.

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

Approved April 25, 1919.