

Section 1455. The pension authorized by this act shall not be paid to any police matron, *assistant matron or other police woman* while drawing salary in any amount from *such* police department.

Sec. 4. Provisions to apply to matrons and police women.—That section 1456, General Statutes 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1456. Each and every of the provisions of chapter 159 of the Laws of 1903 as amended by chapter 109 of the Laws of 1905 are hereby made subject to the provisions of this act for the purpose of allowing all police matrons, *assistant matrons and other police woman*, in cities of 50,000 inhabitants and over, to obtain the same privileges and benefits as disabled and retired policemen in such cities.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 461—H. F. No. 933.

An act defining and regulating public stock yards, placing them under the supervision and control of the railroad and warehouse commission and providing penalties.

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

Section 1. Definition of public stockyards.—“Public stockyards” as used herein, means all stockyards into which live-stock is received for the purpose of exposing the same for sale or for feeding the same and doing business for compensation. “Person” as used herein includes any person, co-partnership, association or corporation doing business in this state. “Operator” as used herein means any person owning or operating a public stockyard in this state. “Commission” as used herein means the railroad and warehouse commission. In construing this act gender and number may be disregarded.

Sec. 2. Railroad and warehouse commission given jurisdiction.—The railroad and warehouse commission is hereby vested with the same jurisdiction and supervisory power over public stockyards doing business in this state as it now has over railroad companies.

Sec. 3. Report to be filed.—Every public stockyard operator shall annually on the 31st day of December file with the commission, on a form prepared by it, a statement certified and sworn to, stating the number of head of cattle, calves, hogs, sheep, horses and mules received in such stockyard during the preceding year and such other facts as the commission may require.

Sec. 4. Reasonable accommodation to public.—It shall be the duty of every public stockyard operator to furnish reasonable, adequate service and facilities for the accommodation of the public, and the rates, charges and prices of such stockyards for the services performed by it shall be fair and reasonable. All unreasonable and excessive rates, charges and prices are hereby declared unlawful.

Sec. 5. Schedule of rates, charges, etc., to be filed.—Within sixty days after the taking effect of this act it shall be the duty of every public stockyard operator to forthwith file with the commission a schedule of its rates, charges and prices for driving, watering, feeding, yarding, weighing and caring for stock and for every kind of service performed by it, together with all rules and regulations used in the conduct of the business of public stockyards, all of which shall be kept on file by the commission and shall be open to public inspection. The commission may require each such operator to post for public inspection at designated places so much of said schedule and regulations as it deems necessary for the information of the public.

Sec. 6. Commission to establish reasonable rates.—Whenever such rates, schedules or regulations are found to be unreasonable by the commission, said commission shall, upon its own motion, or upon complaint, prescribe reasonable rates, charges and regulations to supersede those found unreasonable, and such new rates, charges or regulations shall be filed in place of those superseded. No charges, rates or regulations filed with the commission shall be changed by any such operator without an order of the commission sanctioning the same. Proceedings before the commission shall be commenced and conducted in the same manner that proceedings affecting railroads are now commenced and conducted and appeals from orders of the commission may be taken in the same manner and to the same extent as appeals may be taken from orders of the commission affecting railroads.

Sec. 7. Compliance with the order.—Whenever, in the judgment of the commission, any public stockyard fails in any respect to comply with the law, or any repairs or improvements are necessary, or reasonable addition to or change of its stockyard facilities, or any change in the mode of operating such stockyards or conducting its business will promote the security or convenience of the public, said commission by a written order to be served as a summons in a civil action shall require compliance with such law or the making of such repairs, additions or change. In case of disobedience to said order said commission may cause an action to be commenced for the enforcement thereof.

Sec. 8. Rules and regulations.—Said commission is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the sanitary conditions in such public stockyards, the care of the animals therein, the receiving and shipping of the same and the general service performed by such stockyards.

Sec. 9. Charges for hay and corn.—It shall be unlawful for any public stockyards operator to sell and deliver at the rate of less than two thousand pounds for a ton of hay or any part thereof or to sell and deliver less than seventy pounds of corn in the ear for a bushel or less than fifty-six pounds of shelled corn for a bushel.

Sec. 10. Sale of dead stock.—It shall be unlawful for any public stockyards operator or any agent or employe to prohibit or prevent the owner or his representative of any dead stock in such yard from selling or otherwise disposing of such stock.

Sec. 11. Violation a gross misdemeanor.—Any persons violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished accordingly.

Sec. 12. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 13. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 462—S. F. No. 959.

An act to appropriate money for expenses of the state government and for other purposes and prescribing present and future regulations and limitations relative to the expenditure of state appropriations.

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

Section 1. The sums hereinafter named, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated from any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purposes specified in the following sections of this act, to be available, where not otherwise stated, for each of the fiscal years ending July 31, 1920, and July 31, 1921.

Sec. 2. Executive department.

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| 1. For maintenance | \$ 21,000.00 |
| 2. For contingent fund | 5,000.00 |
| 3. For expenses, board of pardons..... | 300.00 |

Sec. 3. Secretary of state's office.

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| 1. For maintenance | 17,200.00 |
| 2. For contingent fund | 2,000.00 |