

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 16, 1923.

CHAPTER 283—S. F. No. 679.

An act to amend Section 5807, General Statutes 1913, relating to usurious contracts.

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

Section 1. **Usurious contracts invalid—Exceptions.**—That section 5807, General Statutes 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"5807. All bonds, bills, notes, mortgages, and all other contracts and securities whatsoever, and all deposits of goods, or any other thing, whereupon or whereby there shall be reserved, secured, or taken any greater sum or value for the loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things in action than hereinbefore prescribed, shall be void, except as to bona fide purchasers of negotiable paper, in good faith, for a valuable consideration and before maturity, as hereinafter provided. But no merely clerical error in the computation of interest, made without intent to avoid the provisions of this chapter, shall constitute usury. Interest at the rate of one-twelfth of *eight* per cent. for every thirty days shall not be construed to exceed *eight* per cent. per annum; nor shall the payment of interest in advance of one year, or any less time, at a rate not exceeding *eight* per cent. per annum, constitute usury; and nothing herein shall prevent the purchase of negotiable mercantile paper, usurious or otherwise, for a valuable consideration, by an innocent purchaser, at any price before the maturity of the same, when there has been no intent to evade the provisions of this chapter, or where such purchase has not been a part of the original usurious transaction; but where the original holder of a usurious note sells the same to an innocent purchaser the maker thereof, or his representatives may recover back from the original holder the amount of principal and interest paid by him on said note."

Sec. 2. **Effective January 1, 1924.**—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1924.

Approved April 16, 1923.

CHAPTER 284—S. F. No. 909.

An act requiring the commissioner of agriculture to provide for the formulating and installing of accounting systems for co-operative associations in this state; to assist such co-operative asso-