

who shall underread or otherwise falsify or manipulate the reading of the test, or who shall falsely state, certify or use in the purchase or sale of milk or cream a misreading of such test, whether the test or actual reading shall have been made by such person or by any other person, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor."

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

Approved April 12, 1927.

CHAPTER 155—H. F. No. 577

An act to amend Section 4 and 5 of Chapter 29, General Laws 1925, being an act relating to the creation of the office of Public Defender in counties having a population of more than 240,000 and less than 300,000 prescribing his duties, manner of appointment, term of office and fixing his salary.

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

Section 1. **Compensation of public defender.**—That section 4 and 5 of Chapter 29, General Laws 1925 be and the same are hereby amended to read as follows :

"Section 4. **Compensation.**—He shall receive such compensation for his services as the judges of the district court shall fix, in a sum not to exceed \$2400.00, said compensation to be paid by the county in the same manner and at the same time as the salary of other county officials."

"Section 5. **Term of office.**—The term of office of the Public Defender shall be two years."

Approved April 12, 1927.

CHAPTER 156—H. F. No. 677

An act to amend Section 5357, General Statutes, 1923, as amended by Chapter 190, Laws 1925, relating to certificates of death and the information to be contained therein.

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

Section 1. **Certificate of death—by whom obtained and filed—contents.**—That section 5357, General Statutes 1923, as amended by chapter 190, Laws 1925, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows :

"5357. The undertaker or person acting as such, at the burial, cremation or other disposal of the body of any person dying in this state, shall obtain and file with the local registrar

of the district in which the death occurs, a certificate of death containing:

(a). A statement authenticated by the signature of some person cognizant of the facts, specifying:

1. Place of death, including state, county, city, village or town, with the name of the street and house number, or in lieu thereof, the name of the hospital or other private, public or state institution, if in such institution. If in an industrial or mining camp, or mine, the name of the camp or mine.

2. Full name of deceased. If an unnamed child the surname preceded by "unnamed."

3. Male or female.

4. Color or race—as white, colored, Indian, Chinese or other.

5. Single, married, widowed or divorced.

6. Date of birth, including year, month and day.

7. Age in years, months and days. If less than one day, the hours or minutes.

8. Occupation. If the person had any remunerative employment, statement of the trade, profession, or particular kind of work, or the general nature of the industry or business engaged or employed in.

9. Birthplace; state or foreign country.

10. Name of father, provided that if the deceased was of illegitimate birth the name or residence of, or other identifying details relating to the putative father shall not be entered without his consent, except as provided in section 5365-A.

11. Birthplace of father; state or foreign country.

12. Maiden name of mother.

13. Birthplace of mother; state or foreign country.

In addition the said undertaker or person acting as such shall obtain and report in the monthly report to the state registrar provided for in Section 5360, General Statutes 1923, as amended by Chapter 190, Session Laws 1925, information as to whether the deceased ever served in the military or naval forces of the United States.

(b). A medical certificate subscribed by the attending physician together with his address and date of making, stating fact and time of death, giving year, month, day and hour; time of attendance; when last seen alive; the disease or injury causing death, with contributory cause or complication and the duration of the illness; if from violence, the means and circumstances of the injury and whether indicating accident, suicide or homicide. Provided, that the medical certificate shall be made and subscribed by the coroner whenever the cause of death is investigated by him. Provided further, that in cities of the first, second and third class the health officer, and in towns, villages and cities of the fourth class the local registrar, or a

sub-registrar, shall make and subscribe the medical certificate for any death occurring therein without medical attendance or investigation by the coroner. If the local registrar, or sub-registrar, is unable to determine the cause of death he shall refer the case to a physician, or to the coroner, for certification.

(c). When the death occurs in a hospital or other institution or place, other than the home of the deceased, a statement of the length of time at the place of death, length of time in the state, usual place of residence, and where the disease was contracted.

(d). A statement showing place and date of burial signed by the undertaker with his address.

(e). In the case of a child dead at birth, a certificate of birth having the word "still-birth" inserted in place of the name, and also a certificate of death shall be made and filed with the local registrar, and a burial permit issued as hereinafter provided. The medical certificate shall be signed by the attending physician and shall state the cause of death as "still-born" with the cause of the still-birth, whether a premature birth, and if so, the period of uterogestation in months. Provided, that a certificate of birth or death shall not be required for a child that has not advanced the fifth month of uterogestation.

(f). In cases of still-births occurring without an attending physician the medical certificate shall be made and subscribed as is herein provided in case of death without medical attendance.

(g). Whenever the state registrar shall receive a death certificate which is incomplete or inaccurate, he shall endeavor to secure information relative to any errors or omissions, and shall make corrections on the original in red ink when additional information is secured; provided, that whenever a certified copy of any such corrected death certificate is issued, the corrections shall be shown on the certified copy in red and the provisions of this act shall be printed or typed on the form used for such certification.

(h). Whenever it satisfactorily appears to the state registrar that a death record contains errors or omissions or is false in some respect he may attach a statement of the true facts to the same."

Approved April 12, 1927.

CHAPTER 157—H. F. No. 1112

An act relating to the standard of time.

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

Section 1. Daylight saving not permitted.—The standard of time in this state shall be the solar time of the ninetieth