- 3. Cruel and inhuman treatment.
- 4. Sentence to imprisonment in any state prison or state reformatory subsequent to the marriage; and in such a case a pardon shall not restore the conjugal rights.

5. Wilful desertion for one year next preceding the commence-

ment of the action.

6. Habitual drunkenness for one year immediately preceding

the commencement of the action.

7. Incurable insanity. But no divorce shall be granted upon this ground unless the insane party shall have been under regular treatment for insanity, and because thereof, confined in an institution for a period of at least ten years immediately preceding the commencement of the action. In granting a divorce upon this ground, notice of the pendency of the action shall be served in such manner as the Court may direct, upon the nearest blood relative and guardian of such insane person, and the Superintendent of the institution in which he is confined. Such relative or guardian and Superintendent of the institution shall be entitled to appear and be heard upon any and all issues. The status of the parties as to the support and maintenance of the insane person shall not be altered in any way by the granting of the divorce.

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CHAPTER 305--H. F. No. 886.

An act to amend Sections 5817, 5818, 5819, 5820, General Statutes of 1923, authorizing the state board of health of the State of Minnesota to examine persons who wish to practice embalming and defining embalming and defining the practice of embalming and providing for the licensing, renewal and revocation of licenses of those who wish to practice embalming and fixing fees to be charged therefor and requiring the display of licenses and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

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

Section 1. License—examination by State Board of Health—fee—qualification—renewal.—That Sections 5817, 5818, 5819, and 5820, General Statutes 1923, are hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"5817. No person shall embalm any dead human body or practice embalming in the State of Minnesota without being licensed by the State Board of Health, as hereinafter provided. All persons shall be said to practice embalming, within the meaning of this act, who shall embalm dead human bodies, or who shall take charge of the remains of those dead of a communicable disease, or prepare dead human bodies for shipment, or hold himself out to do any of the above acts by advertising or any other means."

"5818. The State Board of Health of the State of Minnesota is hereby authorized and empowered to examine all applicants for license to practice embalming and to determine whether or not such applicants possess the necessary qualifications to practice embalming: and, if upon such examination, said board shall determine that such applicant is properly qualified to practice embalming, it shall grant a license to such person to practice embalming for a

period ending the 31st day of July following."

"5819. The applicant for an examination for license shall at the time of application pay a fee of ten (\$10.00). No person shall be granted any such license unless he shall, in addition to other qualifications, be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, of good moral character, and shall have for at least one year had practical experience in embalming. Provided that any holder of a license issued by state authority in any other state maintaining a, system and standard of examination for license to engage in the business or practice of embalming, which in the judgment of the board shall be substantially the equivalent of that required in this state for the issuance of a license therefor, may obtain a license from the board without examination in the discretion of the board upon payment of an application fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars and upon proof of good moral character, which said license shall be valid only until the following 31st day of July."

"5820. Any license may be renewed from time to time and shall be in force after such renewal for a period of two (2) years from the 31st day of the preceding July upon the payment of a renewal fee of Two (\$2.00) dollars. All license fees including renewals shall be paid into state treasury and be available for paying the expense incident to carrying out the provisions of the act

requiring the licensing of embalmers."

Approved April 19, 1927.

CHAPTER 306-H. F. No. 893.

An act relating to minimum punishments and penalties for criminal offenses.

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

Section 1. Minimum punishments for criminal offenses.— That the minimum penalty of imprisonment for any felony committed within this state shall be one year if the court in its discretion shall impose a state's prison or reformatory sentence therefor; provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any offense where a greater minimum penalty of imprisonment is now and shall hereafter be prescribed by law for said offense.

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