

status.—When a village has once come under the provisions of this act, it shall continue under its provisions, notwithstanding any subsequent change in assessed valuation or population.

Sec. 17. **Provisions separable.**—If any section, part or provision hereof be found unconstitutional such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions not clearly dependent thereon; provided, the issuance of bonds for the purpose of funding the indebtedness of such village existing on January 1, 1933, is necessary to the working out of this act, and if any such village shall be unable prior to January 1, 1934 to sell such bonds, then this act shall be of no effect therein.

Sec. 18. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and declared of no effect insofar as they may be inconsistent with this act.

Approved March 9, 1933.

CHAPTER 73—H. F. No. 157

An act amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3315 (a), Subdivision 15, relating to burial insurance or funeral benefits.

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

Section 1. **Funeral benefits to be paid in money.**—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 3315 (a), Subdivision 15, be amended so as to read as follows:

"15. To make contracts providing that upon the death of the assured a funeral benefit will be paid *in money*, the aggregate amount of which shall not exceed \$150.00 upon any one life. Provided, however, that any corporation that has been licensed to do business for three successive years may make contracts not to exceed \$300.00 upon any one life; provided further that any corporation licensed under this act which now or hereafter has a paid up capital of \$15,000.00, and maintains with the commissioner of insurance a deposit of \$15,000.00, may make life insurance contracts not to exceed \$600.00 on any one life and with or without indemnity for total and permanent disability such as are usually contained in life insurance contracts."

No such insurance company shall be operated directly or indirectly in affiliation or connection with any funeral director or

undertaking establishment or contract by assignment or otherwise to pay such insurance or its benefits or any part of either to any funeral director or undertaking establishment predetermined or designated by it so as to deprive the family or representatives of the deceased policyholder from, or in any way to control them in, obtaining for his funeral and burial, funeral services and supplies in the open market.

Provided, that nothing herein contained shall apply, nor shall it be construed to apply in any way to any co-operative burial association.

Approved March 9, 1933.

CHAPTER 74—H. F. No. 420

An act to amend Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4295, relating to the discontinuance of compensation payment under the workmen's compensation act.

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

Section 1. Employer to notify commission of discontinuance of payments.—That Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 4295, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

"4295. Before discontinuing the payment of compensation in any case coming under part 2 of this act, the employer shall, if it is claimed by or on behalf of the injured person or his dependents that his right to compensation still continues, or if such employee or his dependents shall refuse to sign or object to signing a final receipt, notify the Industrial Commission, in writing, of such proposed discontinuance of payment, with the date of discontinuance and the reason therefor; and that the employee or dependent, as the case may be, objects thereto, and such employer shall also file with such notice of discontinuance any medical reports in his possession bearing upon the physical condition of the injured employee at or about the time of the discontinuance of the compensation, or duly verified copies of such reports in lieu of the originals; and until such notice is given, and such reports filed, as aforesaid, the liability for and the making of such payments shall continue unless otherwise ordered by the Commission; provided, that the receipt of any such notice of discontinuance, together with such reports, by the Commission, as herein provided, shall operate as a suspension of payment of compensation until the right thereto can be investigated, heard and determined, as herein provided. It is hereby made the duty of the Industrial Commission forthwith, upon receipt of any such notices of discontinuance, to notify the