

CHAPTER 134—S. F. No. 138

An act relating to the requirements of newspapers to become mediums of official and legal publications; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 331.02, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 331.02, Subdivision 1, as amended to read:

331.02 Legal newspaper. Subdivision 1. **Qualifications.** In order to be qualified as a medium of official and legal publication, a newspaper shall:

(1) Be printed in the English language from its known office of publication within the city, village, or town from which it purports to be issued and in newspaper format and in column and sheet form equivalent in space to at least 450 running inches of single column, two inches wide;

(2) *If a weekly*, be issued at least once each week or, if a daily, at least five days each week, from a known office established in such place for such publication and employing skilled workmen and the necessary material for preparing and printing the same; *but* in any week in which a legal holiday or Thanksgiving day is included, not more than four issues of a daily paper *are* necessary; provided that the press work on that part of the newspaper devoted to local news of interest to the community which it purports to serve shall be done in its known office of publication;

(3) Have 25 percent of its news columns devoted to local news of interest to the community which it purports to serve, and *it* may contain general news, comment, and miscellany, *but* not wholly duplicate any other publication, *or* be made up *entirely* of patents, plate matter, and advertisements;

(4) Be circulated in and near its place of publication to the extent of at least 240 copies regularly delivered to paying subscribers and have entry as second-class matter in its local post-office;

(5) Have complied with all the foregoing conditions for at least one year last past;

(6) *File a copy of each issue immediately with the State Historical Society.*

Approved March 11, 1955.
