

from districts as therein specified, such representatives to represent approximately equal numbers of members with power to exercise all the voting powers, rights and privileges of the members they represent with the same force and effect as might be exercised by the members themselves. In such a representative system the votes cast by the representative shall be one vote for each member, notwithstanding the amount of insurance carried, and proxy voting shall not be permitted provided, however, that any member may always appear personally and exercise his rights as a member of the company at any meeting of the membership.

Approved April 15, 1955.

CHAPTER 456—S. F. No. 1235

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An act relating to public health nursing, authorizing counties and nursing districts furnishing home nursing care services to charge and collect fees therefor.

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

Section 1. [145.123] Public health nursing. Subdivision 1. **Home nursing care services, fees.** The county board of any county providing public health nursing services under Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 145.08 and 145.12, and the governing body of a nursing district formed under Section 145.08, Subdivision 3, may charge and collect fees for home nursing care services furnished to ill or disabled persons within the county or the nursing district.

Sec. 2. [Subd. 2.] Schedule of fees. The county board or the nursing district, as the case may be, shall set up an equitable schedule of fees, taking into consideration the ability of some of the ill or disabled persons to pay fully for the services received, the ability of others to pay only a part of the fee, and the inability of others to pay any part thereof. Home nursing care services shall not be denied to any person who is in need of such services and lacks means to pay either in whole or in part for the cost of the services he has received. These fees may not exceed the costs of the actual service furnished, as determined by a study of costs which the county board or the nursing district will undertake in January each year. The results of this study, together with a schedule of such fees, shall be filed with the state board of health. In lieu of making such annual studies, the county board or the nurs-

ing district may adopt a schedule of fees established by the state board of health from information gathered by it relative to the costs of nursing service.

Sec. 3. [Subd. 3.] **Collection of fees.** The county board or the nursing district, as the case may be, shall set up a procedure for the collection of these fees and may assign the duty of collection to the public health nursing service.

Sec. 4. [Subd. 4.] **Fees paid into county revenue fund.** Fees so collected in any county shall be paid into the revenue fund of the county and shall be used for such purposes as the county board determines after giving due consideration to the total needs of the public health nursing service. Fees so collected in any nursing district shall be paid to the special nursing fund of the nursing district and used for the purposes of carrying out the program of public health nursing therein.

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CHAPTER 457—S. F. No. 1239

An act relating to the state board of electricity; increasing the examination and license fees for master electrician, journeyman electrician and limited electrician; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 326.26, Subdivisions 2, 3 and 4, and Section 326.27.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 326.26; Subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Qualifications.** An applicant for a master electrician's license shall furnish written evidence that he is a graduate of a four-year electrical course of an accredited university or college; or that he is a graduate of an electrical trade school approved by the state board of electricity and has had at least three years of practical experience in electrical work; or that he has had at least five years of experience in planning, laying out, supervising, or installing wiring, apparatus, or equipment for electric light, heat, and power; and shall pay an examination fee of \$10.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 326.26, Subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Journeyman electricians.** An applicant for a journeyman electrician's license shall furnish evidence, in