

CHAPTER 563—S. F. No. 359

An act relating to the inspection of steam vessels and boilers and the licensing of engineers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Sections 183.50, 183.51 and 183.54.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 183.50, is amended to read as follows:

183.50. Inspection of steam boilers. Every owner or manager of a steam boiler shall allow inspectors full access to the same, and every engineer operating the same shall assist the inspector in his examination, and point out any known defects in the boilers or machinery in his charge. No person shall be entrusted with the operation of any steam boiler who has not received a license of such grade as to cover said steam boiler which license shall be renewed annually. Every person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. It shall be the duty of the inspector in the county where such offense was committed to file a complaint in court for the prosecution of the offender.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 183.51, is amended to read as follows:

183.51. Examinations for classifications and qualifications.
Subdivision 1. Engineers shall be divided into four classes: (1) chief engineers; (2) first-class engineers; (3) second-class engineers; (4) special engineers.

To entitle engineers to licenses they shall make written application, on blanks furnished by the inspector, and shall successfully pass an examination for such grade of license as applied for.

(1) A chief engineer shall be at least 21 years of age, be of such habits and have had such experience as to justify the belief that he is competent to take charge of all classes of steam boilers and steam machinery; and, before receiving a license, he shall take and subscribe an oath that he has had at least five years' actual experience in operating such boilers and machinery.

(2) A first-class engineer shall be at least 21 years of age, be of such habits and have had such experience as to justify the belief that he is competent to take charge of all classes of steam boilers of not more than 300 horse-power.

Before receiving a license he shall take and subscribe an oath that he has had at least three years' actual experience in operating such boilers.

(3) A second-class engineer shall be at least 21 years of age, be of such habits and have had such experience as to justify the belief that he is competent to take charge of all classes of steam boilers of not more than 100 horse-power. Before receiving a license he shall take and subscribe an oath that he has had at least one year of actual experience in operating such boilers.

(4) A special engineer, upon examination, shall be sufficiently acquainted with the duties of an engineer as to justify the belief that he can be safely entrusted with steam boilers of not more than 30 horse-power.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 183.54, is amended to read as follows:

183.54. District boiler inspector to deliver certificates; fees for inspection. After examination and tests, if the district boiler inspector, finds any steam boiler or pressure vessel safe and suitable for use, he shall deliver to the chief boiler inspector a verified certificate in such form as the chief boiler inspector shall prescribe, containing a specification of the tests applied and the working pressure allowed, a copy of which the district boiler inspector shall furnish to the owner of the boiler or pressure vessel, who shall post and keep the same in a conspicuous place on or near boiler or pressure vessel. The district boiler inspector is entitled to a fee of \$3.00 for the inspection of each boiler or pressure vessel and its connections, payable on delivery of the certificate. The fee for inspection of tanks or receptacles containing air under pressure is \$1.00. The fee for the examination for an engineer's license is: Chief engineer, \$7.00; first-class *engineer*, \$5.00; second-class *engineer*, \$3.00; and special *engineer*, \$2.00; and for each yearly renewal, \$1.00. *Fifty* per cent of all license fees shall go to create a fund to be known as the boiler inspectors' fund and 50 per cent to the inspector of the district where the examination is held or renewal made. This fee shall accompany the application.

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