

1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1901. Insurance of State Buildings—Fuel—Said board shall keep insured in solvent insurance companies all state buildings, except the Soldiers' Home, and all other insurable property belonging to the State, to an amount not exceeding two-thirds of the value thereof, and there is hereby appropriated annually from any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, so much thereof as may be necessary to pay premiums on policies therefor and said board shall also purchase fuel for all such buildings.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 19, 1907.

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CHAPTER 260—H. F. No. 753.

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*An Act to amend section 2032 of the Revised Laws 1905, relating to the construction of railroads and the giving of notice and the filing of maps thereof with the railroad and warehouse commission.*

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

**Railroads to file maps and profiles with commission—duties of commission.**—Section 1. That Section 2032, Revised Laws of 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2032. New Road—Notice to Commission—Filing of Map, etc.—Every railroad company having constructed any railroad by way of branch or extension, or otherwise, before opening the same to public use, shall notify the commission that the same is finished and in a safe condition for operation, and shall file with said commission a map and profile thereof with table of grades, curvatures and mileage, and a statement of other characteristics of such road and an itemized statement showing the complete cost thereof; all of the foregoing to be in such form as the commission shall prescribe and to be attested by the oath of the president or other managing officer, and the chief engineer of the company.

Before the new line is operated as a public road, the commission shall inspect the same or cause it to be inspected and furnish the company with a certificate showing the compliance with the foregoing conditions, that the road has been inspected and found to be in a safe condition for operation.

*Provided, however,* that whenever it is found desirable to operate any portion of any new railroad built or any new branch or extension, or otherwise, before completion of the same, the commission may on application authorize the operation of such portion thereof pending the completion of the entire road under such terms and conditions as the commission may impose in the interests of the public.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20, 1907.

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CHAPTER 261—H. F. No. 754.

*An Act to amend sections 2038, 2039, and 2040, Revised Laws of 1905, relating to the abandonment of railroads.*

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

**Annotated in bill.**—Section 1. That section 2038, Revised Laws 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2038. Abandonment of road.—No company operating any line of railroad in the State of Minnesota shall abandon the same or any portion thereof, nor shall it abandon any siding, sidetrack, spur or other railway track of any kind which has once been opened and used for business, nor shall it close for traffic thereon except as provided in section 2039 as the same is hereinafter amended. Any company violating any provision of this section shall forfeit to the state not less than two hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars for each day such violation continues.

Sec. 2. That section 2039, Revised Laws of 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2039. Procedure for Abandonment.—Any such company desiring to abandon or close for traffic any portion