

When act to take  
effect.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 5, 1874.

## CHAPTER LII.

### AN ACT CONCERNING INN AND HOTEL KEEPERS AND LANDLORDS, AND FOR THE PROTECTION OF THEIR GUEST.

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

Pertaining to  
money, jewelry,  
&c., of guests.

SECTION 1. That hereafter every landlord or keeper of a public inn or hotel, or boarding house keeper in this state, who shall constantly have in his inn or hotel an iron safe in good and suitable order for the safe custody of money, jewelry or other valuable articles belonging to his guests or customers, shall keep posted conspicuously at the office, also on the inside of every entrance door of every public sleeping, reading, bar, sitting and parlor room of such hotel, &c., notice to the guests and customers that they must leave their money, jewelry, and other valuables with the landlord his agent or clerk for safe keeping, and he or they may make safe deposits of the same in the place provided for that purpose. Every landlord or keeper of a public inn or hotel shall provide locks and bolts for all room doors.

When landlord  
not liable for  
loss of property.

SEC. 2. That such landlord, hotel or inn keeper as shall comply with the requirements of the first section of this act, shall not be liable for any money, jewelry or other valuables of gold, silver or rare and precious stones that may be lost, if the same is not delivered to said landlord, hotel or inn keeper, his agent or clerk for deposit, unless such loss shall occur by the hand or through the negligence of the landlord or by a clerk or a servant employed by him in such hotel, inn, &c. *Providedt however,* that nothing herein contained shall apply to, such amount of money and valuables as a prudent person would retain in his room or about his person for present use.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall put up at any hotel,

inn or boarding house and shall procure any food, entertainment or accommodation without paying therefor except their credit is given by express agreement, with intent to cheat or defraud the owner or keeper of such hotel, etc., out of pay for the same or if any person shall obtain credit at any hotel, inn, &c., for food, entertainment or accommodation by means of any false show of baggage or effects brought thereto, or who shall with such intent remove or cause to be removed any baggage or effects from any hotel, inn or boarding house while there is a lien existing thereon for the proper charges due from him for board and entertainment furnished as aforesaid.

SEC. 4. Every landlord or keeper of a public hotel or inn shall be liable for embezzlement for not promptly returning money and valuables deposited in his safe. What considered embezzlement.

SEC. 5. All goods or property taken by any hotel, inn or boarding house keeper, and by him held for non-payment of any bill for board, lodging or accommodation, may be sold after the expiration of ninety days and default being made in the payment of such bill upon a notice of ten days at public auction upon notice as in cases of of constable's sales. When goods deemed to be forfeited.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect be in force from and after its passage. When act to take effect.

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## CHAPTER LIII.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER THIRTY-FOUR OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY, AMENDING SECTION TWENTY-NINE OF CHAPTER NINETEEN OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, AND TO AMEND SECTION THIRTY-EIGHT OF TITLE THREE, OF CHAPTER NINETEEN OF THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO DISTRAINING BEASTS DOING DAMAGE.

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

SECTION 1. That section twenty-nine of title three, of