

CHAPTER 205:

AN ACT TO REGULATE EMPLOYMENT BUREAUS OR OFFICES.

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

License to be obtained—penalty for violation.

SECTION 1. No person shall engage in the business of keeping an employment bureau or office, or agency for the purpose of hiring men to work for others, and receive a compensation for such hiring, without first having obtained a license so to do, as hereinafter provided; and any person who shall engage in such business without such license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred (100) dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both.

How license procured—cost of license.

SEC. 2. Any person who desires to engage in said business may apply to the common council, if such business is to be carried on in a city, or to the village council if in a village, or to the county commissioners of the county in which such business is to be carried on, if in the country, for such license, and upon paying into the treasury of such city, village or county the sum of one hundred (100) dollars, and upon executing and delivering to such common council village council or county commissioners, a bond in the penal sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, with sufficient sureties to be approved by such common or village council or county commissioners, he shall be entitled to such license.

To give bond.

For what purpose bond given.

SEC. 3. The bond shall run to the state of Minnesota, and shall be conditioned for the payment of any damage which any person secured or engaged to labor for others by the obligor may sustain by reason of any unauthorized act, fraud, or misrepresentation on the part of such agent, for such hiring. The bond shall be filed with the city clerk, if approved by the common council, with the village recorder if approved by a village council, and with the county auditor if approved by the board of county commissioners. Any person licensed and having given bond as herein provided, may, while continuing to reside or maintain his office at the place mentioned in such license, prosecute his said business in any part of the state.

Liable for action of agent.

SEC. 4. Any person hired or engaged to work for others, by one so licensed as aforesaid, who shall fail to get employment according to the terms of such contract of hire or engagement by reason of any unauthorized act, fraud, or misrepresentation on the part of such agent, may bring an action upon said bond, and may recover in such action

against the principal and sureties the full amount of his damages sustained by reason of such unauthorized act, fraud, or misrepresentation, together with his cost and disbursement in such action.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to
take effect.

Approved February 28, 1885.

CHAPTER 206.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE LABOR OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS AND FIREMEN.

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

SECTION 1. On all lines of railroad operated in this state the time of labor of the locomotive engineers and firemen employed in running or operating the locomotive engines on or over such roads shall not at any time exceed eighteen (18) hours during one day; *Provided, however,* That nothing in this section shall be construed as allowing any locomotive engineer or fireman to desert his locomotive in case of accident or other unavoidable delay.

Time of labor of
locomotive
engineers and
firemen fixed.

SEC. 2. Any officer, director, superintendent, master mechanic, foreman, agent or employe who compels any locomotive engineer or fireman to labor, in running or operating any locomotive engine on or over such roads, for more than eighteen (18) hours during one day, except as provided in section one (1) of this act, or in cases of urgent necessity, such person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five (25) or more than one hundred (100) dollars.

Penalty for
violation.

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

When act to
take effect.

Approved March 7, 1885.