

## CHAPTER 19.

S. F. No. 828.

*An Act to protect the people of the state of Minnesota against the importation of acute contagious diseases by the regulation of interstate immigration.*

Contagious disease.

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

SECTION 1. For the better protection of the people of this state against Asiatic cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, the state board of health may establish a system of quarantine against the introduction of pestilential diseases by the various railway and navigation companies doing business in the transportation of passengers across the borders of this state, the members of the state board of health or their properly constituted representatives are authorized to board any railway conveyance used in the transportation of passengers across the borders of this state, or any vessel entering the waters of this state, for the purpose of sanitary inspection to ascertain the existence of cholera or other dangerous contagious diseases. In case it is found that any such conveyance named is infected with such disease, said officer may, in his discretion, isolate and quarantine all passengers so infected or endangered by or from exposure, together with their baggage and effects, and detain the said conveyance or vessel until it is rendered safe by proper disinfection and fumigation.

Quarantine may be established.

SEC. 2. Any and all transportation companies shall afford the officers of the said board reasonable facilities for the sanitary inspection of cars and vessels by furnishing necessary transportation to inspectors by detention of cars and navigable vessels during isolation of passengers together with their effects, and shall immediately submit to the fumigation and disinfection of such conveyances and cars as may be deemed necessary by the said board for protection of the public health.

Sanitary inspection of cars and vessels.

SEC. 3. The necessary expense of fumigation and disinfection of cars and vessels shall be at the expense of the owners of cars or vessels so inspected.

Fumigation and disinfection.

SEC. 4. When it is made apparent to the governor of this state that any railroad company or other transportation company is not exercising due or reasonable vigilance against the introduction of Asiatic cholera or other dangerous contagious diseases, he shall announce such conclusion by proclamation and thereupon and thereafter the entire expense of quarantining immigrants or emigrants or passengers shall be a direct charge against said company.

Failure to exercise due precaution.

SEC. 5. Whenever the said board shall discover the existence of cholera or any infectious disease on any railway car or vessel without the boundaries of this state, they shall cause notice of such fact to be served upon the agent or officer of the company operating such car

Further restrictions.

or vessel, and thereupon and thereafter it shall be unlawful for such company or any of its officers or agents to bring or cause to be brought within this state such car or vessel, except it be done in accordance with such reasonable rules and regulations as the said board shall adopt applicable to such case.

Penalties.

Any person or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be punished therefor by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the state prison not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

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

Approved April 13, 1893.

## CHAPTER 20.

H. F. No. 612

illuminating  
oils.

*An Act to govern the inspection and use and sale of illuminating oils, or petroleum and petroleum products, for use in the state of Minnesota, and defining the duties of inspectors and prescribing penalties and inspection fees and the manner of appointment of inspectors.*

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

Inspector to be  
appointed.

SECTION 1. There shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the consent of the senate, a suitable person, resident of the state, who is not interested in manufacturing, dealing or vending any illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum, as state inspector of illuminating oils, whose term of office shall be for the term of two years, or until his successor is appointed and qualified. The governor shall have the power to remove such person from office whenever it shall appear to him from good and sufficient evidence that such officer is guilty of malfeasance or non-feasance in the performance of his duty, and may fill any vacancy arising from such removal, or from resignation, death or removal from the state, by a new appointment; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall in any way affect the term of office or powers of the present state inspector of illuminating oils.

Oath and bond  
required.

SEC. 2. The person appointed as state inspector of illuminating oils shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, take the oath or affirmation prescribed by the laws of this state, and shall execute a bond to the state of Minnesota in the sum of five thousand dollars, with such sureties as shall be approved by the secretary of state, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties under this act, which bond, so approved, shall be filed with the secretary of state.

Inspector may  
appoint deputies  
and require  
bonds.

SEC. 3. The state inspector of illuminating oils shall and is hereby empowered to appoint such deputy in-