

CHAPTER 115.

H. F. No. 62.

An act to amend section two hundred and forty-nine (249) of penal code, relating to the exclusion of persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years from places injurious to morals.

Excluding minors from certain places.

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

SECTION 1. That section two hundred and forty-nine (249) of the penal code be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows, viz:

Whoever admits any person under the age of twenty-one (21) years, or allows them to remain in, any dance house, or concert saloon, or place where intoxicating liquors are sold or given away, or any place of entertainment injurious to the morals, owned, kept or managed by him in whole or in part, unless such person under the age of twenty-one (21) years, is accompanied by its parent or guardian, is guilty of a misdemeanor. Any person who shall suffer or permit any such child to play any game of skill or chance in any such place is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Any resort injurious to morals.

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

Approved April 14, 1897.

CHAPTER 116.

H. F. No. 664.

An act to prohibit the use of tobacco by minor persons under eighteen (18) years of age, and by all minor pupils in public schools.

Prohibiting the furnishing or using of tobacco. Minor persons.

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

SECTION 1. Any person within this state who sells, gives to or in any way furnishes any cigarettes, cigars or tobacco in any form to any person under eighteen (18) years of age, or to any minor pupil in any school, college or university, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed fifty (50) dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed thirty (30) days for each offense.

Penalty for furnishing tobacco to minors.

SEC. 2. Any person under eighteen (18) years of age, or any minor pupil as described in section one (1) of this act, who shall smoke or use cigarettes, cigars or tobacco in any form on any public highway, street,

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alley, park or other lands used for public purposes, or in any public place of business, shall be arrested by an officer of the law, who may be cognizant of such offense; and further, it shall be the duty of all such officers, upon complaint of one citizen, to arrest such offenders and take them before the proper court. The court shall impose a punishment, at its discretion, in a sum not to exceed ten (10) dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed five (5) days for each offense; *provided*, if said minor person shall give information which may lead to the arrest of the person or persons violating section one (1) of this act in giving to, selling, or in any way furnishing said minor person tobacco, and shall give evidence as a witness in such proceeding against said party or parties, the court shall have power to suspend sentence against such minor person.

Provided.

SEC. 3. Any person who harbors or grants to persons under eighteen (18) years of age, or to minor pupils as described in section one (1) of this act, privilege of gathering upon or frequenting any property or lands held by him, for the purpose of indulging in the use of cigarettes, cigars or tobacco in any form, shall be held in the same penalty as provided for in section one (1) of this act; *provided*, that no part of this act shall be so construed as to interfere with the rights of parents or lawful guardians in the rearing and management of their minor heirs or wards within the bounds of their own private premises.

SEC. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force at the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date of its passage and approval.

Approved April 14, 1897.

CHAPTER 117.

H. P. No. 1024.

**Relief for flood
sufferers at
Moorhead.**

An act entitled "an act to relieve certain persons from loss resulting from floods in the state of Minnesota."

Whereas, the Red River of the North at Moorhead in Clay county has recently risen to a depth of thirty-nine (39) feet above the low water mark; and

Whereas, such a rise has been unprecedented in the history of this state and has resulted in rendering about seventy-five (75) families homeless or seriously injuring their property, and sweeping from the foundations the homes of many others who are residents of a small part of said city.