

Judgment by default.

Fifth—In an action upon a joint obligation, where more than one party are made parties defendant, and some of the defendants shall not answer the plaintiff's complaint therein, and other of the defendants shall interpose a defense, judgment by default may be entered against the defendant or defendants not answering, and the said judgment against the defendant or defendants in default shall be enforced in the same manner as if no defense had been interposed by the other parties to such action; and such judgment by default shall not be a bar to further proceedings or judgment against the parties interposing a defense in such action.

Judgment against one party does not release others liable.

Sixth—A judgment entered against any one of the parties liable upon a joint obligation shall not operate as a discharge or release of the parties to such joint obligation who are not included in such action or judgment.

Seventh—This act shall not be construed so as to affect or change the liability of the parties to joint obligations as to each other.

SEC. 2. This act shall not affect actions now pending upon such joint obligations nor joint contracts now in existence.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1897.

H. F. No. 1023

CHAPTER 304.

District court in Beltrami and Cass counties.

An act to amend an act entitled "A bill for an act to provide terms of the district court in and for the counties of Beltrami and Cass," approved April 10, 1897, making said counties a part of the Fifteenth judicial district and establishing court therein.

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

Attached to 15th district.

SECTION 1.—That the counties of Beltrami and Cass be and they are hereby attached to and made a part of the Fifteenth judicial district.

That terms of the district court shall be held in said counties as follows:

Terms of court.

In the county of Beltrami commencing on the first Tuesday in November of each year.

In the county of Cass commencing on the first Tuesday in May of each year.

SEC. 2. That section two (2) of said act be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That section three (3) of said act be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec 4 (3). This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Approved April 23, 1897.

CHAPTER 305.

H. F. No. 263.

An act to allow boards of education or directors of special school districts to fix the time for holding their annual school meetings.

Fixing time for annual school meetings.

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

SECTION 1. That boards of trustees or boards of education of each and every school district in this state organized under a special law shall have power to appoint and designate the time for holding the annual school meeting of such district when the same shall have been conferred upon them by a majority vote of the legal voters of such special school district voting upon such question at any general election or at any special election held within such district and called for such purpose.

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

Approved April 23, 1897.

CHAPTER 306.

H. F. No. 117.

An act for the relief of Ellen Rush, and to appropriate money therefor.

\$4,400 appropriated for relief of Ellen Rush.

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

SECTION 1. That the sum of four thousand four hundred (4,400) dollars be and the same is hereby appro-