

statute enacted since the year 1893, defining or purporting to define the boundary line between two counties lying in the same judicial district.

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

Approved April 3, 1899.

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## CHAPTER 120.

S. F. No. 255.

*An act to amend section 3294 of the General Statutes of Minnesota of the year 1894, relating to life insurance companies.*

Life insurance companies.

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

SECTION 1. That section 3294 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1894 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows: That all associations or secret orders, such as Masons, Odd Fellows, Druids, Knights of Pythias, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Grand Lodge of the Order of Sons of Hermann of the State of Minnesota, Modern Woodmen of America, Firemen and other benevolent or fraternal coöperative societies, associated or incorporated for the sole purpose of mutual protection and relief of its members, and for the payment of stipulated sums of money to the families of deceased members, are hereby declared not to be life insurance companies in the sense and meaning of the general life insurance laws of the state, and they are and shall be henceforth exempt from the provisions of said general insurance law.

Sec. 3294, G. S. 1894, amended.

Secret orders declared not life insurance companies.

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

Approved April 3, 1899.

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## CHAPTER 121.

S. F. No. 352.

*An act to legalize the organization of certain towns.*

Town organization.

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

SECTION 1. That all towns in this state heretofore organized, or attempted to be organized, under any of the laws of this state and now exercising the powers of bodies

Towns defectively organized legalized.

corporate, are hereby legalized as towns, with all the powers, franchises and liabilities of such bodies corporate, as provided by chapter ten (10) of the General Laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight (1878), and subsequent laws of this state, with their boundaries as now actually established, whether the same comprise one (1) or more congressional townships or fractional part or parts thereof; and all the acts performed by any officer or officers of such town or towns within the scope of the laws of this state are hereby legalized. *Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall in any way affect any action or proceeding now pending.

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

Approved April 3, 1899.

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## CHAPTER 122.

S. F. No. 17.

Interest,  
rate of.

*An act to amend section one (1) of chapter twenty-three (23) of the General Statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), vol. two (2), the same being section two thousand two hundred and twelve (2212) of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for eighteen hundred ninety-four (1894), relating to the rate of interest.*

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

Sec. 2212, G.  
S. 1894,  
amended.

SECTION 1. That section one (1) of chapter twenty-three (23), of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for eighteen hundred and seventy-eight (1878), volume number two (2), the same being section two thousand two hundred and twelve (2212) of the General Statutes of eighteen hundred and ninety-four (1894), be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Legal rate  
to be 6  
per cent.

Excess of  
10 per cent,  
usury.

Sec. 1. That interest for any legal indebtedness shall be at the rate of six (6) dollars upon one hundred (100) dollars for a year, unless a different rate is contracted for in writing; and no person, company, or corporation shall, directly or indirectly, take or receive in money, goods, or things in action, or in any other way, any greater sum, or any greater value, for the loan or forbearance of money, goods, or things in action, than ten (10) dollars on one hundred (100) dollars for one year; and in the computation of interest upon any bond, note, or other instrument