

and be in full force as part of the constitution of the State of Minnesota.

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

Approved April 19, 1905.

CHAPTER 284.

H. F. No. 567.

An act to amend section 2 of chapter 83, of the General Laws of 1875, as amended by section 2 of chapter 164 of the General Laws for the year 1897, as amended by section 1 of chapter 172, of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1901, relating to the election of directors and officers of town insurance companies.

Town
insurance
companies.

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

SECTION 1. That section 2 of chapter 83 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1875, as amended by section 2 of chapter 164 of the General Laws of 1897, as amended by section 1 of chapter 172 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1901, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Section 2. Every company so formed shall choose of their number not less than five (5) nor more than nine (9) directors to manage the affairs of such company who shall hold their office for such period as may be fixed by the by-laws of the company, not exceeding three (3) years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and such directors shall choose one of their number president, one vice president, and one secretary; they shall also choose a treasurer who may or may not be a member of said board, but shall be a member of the company. And the said treasurer shall give bonds to such company in such sum as the directors shall determine to be approved by said president and secretary, and such directors may authorize said treasurer to loan on first real estate securities such sums of money in his hands as they may determine, or authorize him to deposit any or all sums of money in his hands as such treasurer in such bank or banks as they may designate. *Provided*, that the articles of incorporation of such company may provide that the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer may be chosen by the direct vote of the members at the annual meeting. In such case the election of such per-

Number of
directors
and officers.

May loan
on first real
estate se-
curities.

Officers may
be elected
at annual
meeting, if
articles so
provide.

sons as president, vice president and secretary shall constitute them members of said board of directors, and the remaining members of said board shall be elected as above provided.

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

Approved April 19, 1905.

H. F. No. 763.

CHAPTER 285.

Dependent,
neglected
and delin-
quent chil-
dren.

An act to regulate the treatment and control of dependent, neglected and delinquent children.

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

Age.

"Dependent
child."
"Neglected
child."

SECTION 1. This act shall apply only to children under the age of seventeen (17) years. For the purpose of this act the words "dependent child" and "neglected child" shall mean any child who for any reason is destitute or homeless or abandoned; or dependent upon the public for support; or has not proper parental care or guardianship; or who habitually begs or receives alms; or who is found living in any house of ill fame or with any vicious or disreputable persons, or whose home, by reason of neglect, cruelty or depravity on the part of its parents, guardian or other person in whose care it may be, is an unfit place for such a child; and any child under the age of ten (10) years who is found begging, peddling or selling any articles or singing or playing any musical instrument upon the street, or giving any public entertainment, or who accompanies or is used in aid of any person so doing. The words "delinquent child" shall include any child under the age of seventeen (17) years who violates any law of this state or any city or village ordinance; or who is incorrigible; or who knowingly associates with thieves, vicious or immoral persons; or who without just cause and without the consent of its parents or custodian absents itself from its home or place of abode; or who is growing up in idleness or crime; or who knowingly frequents a house of ill fame; or who knowingly patronizes any policy shop or place where any gaming device is or shall be operated; or who frequents any saloon or dram shop where intoxicating liquors are sold, or who patronizes or visits any public pool room or bucket shop; or who wanders about the streets in the

"Delinquent
child."