

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts, whether general or special, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 19, 1905.

CHAPTER 319.

H. F. No. 518.

*An act requiring halls and theaters in all cities of Minnesota to be furnished with asbestos or other incombustible curtains, and providing for the enforcement thereof.*

Inspection of halls and theaters.

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

SECTION 1. That the proscenium or curtain opening of all halls and theaters used for theatrical purposes and having a seating capacity of 600 or more in any city in the State of Minnesota shall have a fire resistant curtain of asbestos or some other approved incombustible material. Said curtain shall be properly constructed; shall be operated by proper mechanism and shall be raised at the commencement of each performance and lowered at the close of each performance.

Fire resistant curtain.

SEC. 2. That it shall be the duty of the common council of every city in the State of Minnesota, to appoint some competent person as inspector of halls and theaters. It shall be his duty to inspect every hall and theater in his city at least once in each year to see that the provisions of section one (1) of this act have been complied with. He shall receive for each hall or theater inspected by him a fee of three (3) dollars to be paid by the owner or tenant of such hall or theater.

Appointment of inspector, duties, fees.

SEC. 3. That the certificate of such inspector shall be prima facie evidence of the compliance with the provisions of this act for the space of one (1) year from the date thereof.

Certificate of inspection.

SEC. 4. The owner or owners, tenant or tenants of any hall or theater in any city of this state failing or neglecting to comply with the provisions of section one (1) of this act shall be liable to a fine of not more than three hundred (\$300) dollars and not less than fifty (\$50) dollars.

Failure to comply with law, penalty.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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