

operating said interlocking plant or safety device shall be agreed upon by the respective companies required to install the same; in case they cannot agree, then such division shall be determined by the railroad and warehouse commission after a hearing.

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Block signal system may be ordered.—Sec. 2. The commission may require any railroad company on any part of its line or lines operated in this state, to install and operate a "block signal system" or any other devise or appliance that in its judgment will best promote the public safety.

Penalty for violation.—Sec. 3. Any railroad company neglecting to comply with any order of the commission made under this act, shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each day such neglect shall continue, to be recovered in a civil action in the name of the state and paid into the general fund of the state treasury.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force and take effect on and after its passage.

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 277—S. F. No. 315.

An Act to prohibit discrimination by life insurance companies and providing penalties for violation thereof.

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

Discrimination prohibited.—Section 1. No life insurance company doing business in this state shall make or permit any distinction or discrimination in favor of individuals between insurants (the insured) of the same class and equal expectaton of life in the amount of payment of premiums or rates charged for policies of life or endowment insurance, or in the dividends or other benefits payable thereon, or in any other of the terms and conditions of the contracts it makes; nor shall any such company or agent thereof make any contract of insurance or agreement as to such contract other than as plainly expressed in the policy issued thereof; nor shall any such company or any officer, agent, solicitor or representative thereof pay, allow or give or offer to pay, allow or give, directly or indirectly, as inducement to insur-

ance, any rebate of premium payable on the policy, or any special feature or advantage in the dividends or other benefits to accrue thereon or any paid employment or contract for services of any kind or any valuable consideration or inducement whatever not specified in the policy contract of insurance.

Violation a misdemeanor.—Sec. 2. Any violations of the provisions of section 1 of this act shall be a misdemeanor and punishable as such.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after Jan. 1, 1908.

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 278—S. F. No. 438.

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An Act to fix the hours during which the polls shall be open for the holding of school elections in certain independent school districts in the State of Minnesota.

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

Polls to be open from 6 a. m. to 7 p. m.—Section 1. In all independent school districts in this state containing a population of fifty thousand (50,000) inhabitants or over, to be based upon the census last preceding the election, and in which independent school districts elections are held exclusively for school purposes, and separate from, and at different dates from city and state elections, the polls at such school elections shall be opened at six (6) o'clock a. m. on the day of such election, and shall remain open for purposes of voting until seven o'clock p. m. on said day.

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

Approved April 22, 1907.