

- (h) Whether the injured person wilfully caused the injury.
- (i) Whether assumption of risk is claimed by the employer.
- (j) Whether negligence of a fellow servant is claimed by the employer.
- (k) Whether contributory negligence is claimed by the employer.
- (l) Whether fault of the employer, or his machinery, or safety appliances, is admitted.
- (m) A statement of all expenses, costs, damage and compensation to which the employer is put on account thereof.
- (n) Whether the employer carries indemnity or liability insurance, and if so, the amount thereof and the average payroll in the department in which the injury occurred.
- (o) Whether it is a case which is likely or may become one of public charity.

**Failure to report a misdemeanor.**—Sec. 2. The failure to make such reports on the part of any person, co-partnership or corporation required hereby to make the same, within the time herein specified, is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor.

**Report not to be admitted as evidence.—Disclosure a misdemeanor.**—Sec. 3. No report herein required to be made nor any part thereof, shall be admitted in evidence or referred to at the trial of any action, or in any judicial proceedings whatsoever, except prosecution for the violation of this act.

No such report or any part thereof, nor any copy of the same, nor any part thereof, shall be open to the public, nor shall any of the contents thereof be disclosed in any manner, by any official or clerk or other employe of the state having access thereto, but the same may be used for state investigations and statistics only.

Any such disclosure is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor and punishable as such.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after June 1st, 1909.

Approved April 17, 1909.

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#### CHAPTER 236.—H. F. No. 31.

*An Act relating to the readoption of a new charter or a revision of a charter already adopted or hereafter to be adopted by any city for its government as a city under the provisions of section 36, article IV of the Constitution, and of any statutes enacted in pursuance thereof.*

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

**New charter authorized.**—Section 1. Any city in this state which now has, or may hereafter adopt, a so-called "home rule"

charter by and under the provisions of section 36, article 4 of the constitution, and of any statutes enacted in pursuance thereof, is hereby authorized and empowered to frame, submit and adopt a new charter in the same manner and mode as is by law provided for the original adoption of such so-called "home rule" charter.

**Amendments authorized.**—Sec. 2. Any city named in section one hereof is hereby authorized and empowered to amend its present so-called "home rule" charter in the nature of a revision and submit and adopt such revision as is by law provided for the original adoption of such so-called "home rule" charter.

**Not obligatory to report to chief magistrate within six months.**—Sec. 3. It shall not be necessary or obligatory for the board of freeholders framing such new charter, or making such revision hereunder, to return the same to the chief magistrate of such city within six months.

Sec. 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 19, 1909.

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#### CHAPTER 237—S. F. No. 44.

*An Act to amend section 1653 of the Revised Laws 1905, relating to the keeping and disposition of funds paid by the State of Minnesota, from the two per cent tax on fire insurance premiums, for the relief of sick, injured or disabled members of certain fire departments, their widows and orphans, the support and maintenance of such fire departments and for service pensions to retired members of such fire departments.*

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

**District court may appoint trustee of funds.**—Section 1. That section 1653 of the Revised Laws 1905 be and the same is amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1653. Disposition of such funds—Relief association—Such amount shall be kept as a special fund, and disbursed only for the following purposes:

(1) For the relief of sick, injured, or disabled members of such fire department, their widows and orphans.

(2) For the equipment and maintenance of such department.