

First. To devise ways and means for reducing our fire losses;

Second. To prevent discrimination in fire insurance rates, and

Third. In all possible ways to devise ways and means for giving the people of the state the greatest amount of fire insurance protection at the least possible cost to the assured.

It shall be the first duty of such committee to investigate the causes for our enormous fire losses, and to suggest remedies for the relief of our people as hereinafter provided.

It shall also be the duty of such committee to make a thorough investigation and examination into the methods of transacting business by all insurance companies, associations and insurers, of every kind, transacting the business of fire insurance, including all agencies whatever employed in the transaction of said business; to investigate into their expenses, the rates charged, and the manner of making the same; questions of discrimination between classes of property of insurers; all contracts for commissions or compensation of agents, and any discrimination thereunder; and, generally, to make any and all inquiry in regard to the transaction of the business of fire insurance, and the rates and cost of such insurance, and the expenses incident to such business; and the promotion of better protection against fire, and the reduction of fire losses. The mention of any particular lines of inquiry herein shall not limit in any measure the field of investigation which said committee is empowered to enter.

Provided, however, that if the appropriation provided for by a bill relating to the same subject is not made, this resolution shall be of no force or effect.

Approved April 24, 1913. .

JOINT RESOLUTION No. 13.

WHEREAS, there have been introduced in congress three bills (numbers H. R. 36, H. R. 4428, S. 2367), to afford federal protection to migratory game birds; and

WHEREAS, there is a very general sentiment in this state in favor of such protection, and an urgent request for the enactment of such law has been made, as appears by the numerous petitions received; now therefore,

Resolved, (the senate concurring), that congress be and hereby is requested to enact a law giving ample protection to migratory game birds.

Resolved, that the legislatures of all other states of the United States, now in session or when next convened, be and they are hereby respectfully requested to join in this request by the adoption of this or an equivalent resolution.

Resolved, Further, that the secretary of state be and he is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the senate and the house of representatives of the United States, and to several members of said body representing this state therein, also to transmit copies hereof to the legislatures of all other states of the United States.

Approved April 24, 1913.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

I, Julius A. Schmahl, Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing General Laws, proposed amendments to the constitution of Minnesota, and joint resolutions, passed and adopted by the legislature of 1913, have been compared with the copies of the enrolled laws deposited in the office of the secretary of state, and they are true and correct copies of said enrolled laws, proposed amendments and joint resolutions.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the state at the capitol, in St. Paul, this 3d day of May, A. D. 1913.

[Seal.]

JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,
Secretary of State.