

of, who has not been legally discharged therefrom, shall be guilty of a felony and punished by a fine of not to exceed one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars or imprisonment in the State prison or State reformatory not to exceed three years, or by both, in the discretion of the court.

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CHAPTER 366—S. F. No. 452.

*An act to amend Section 679, General Statutes 1913, as amended by Chapter 370, Laws 1917, relating to counties and county officers.*

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

Section 1. **Re-districting of commissioners' districts.**—That Section 679, General Statutes 1913 as amended by Chapter 370, Laws 1917, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

679. Each county shall be divided into as many districts, numbered consecutively as it has members of the board. In all counties such districts shall be bounded by town, village or ward lines, shall be composed of contiguous territory and contain as nearly as practicable an equal population. Counties may be redistricted by the county board after each state or federal census; and when it appears that after a state or federal census thirty per cent or more of the population of any county is contained in one district, such county shall be re-districted by its county board.

Provided that the county board shall not have authority or jurisdiction to re-district a county unless said board shall cause at least three weeks published notice of its purpose to do so, stating the time and place of the meeting where the matter will be considered, to be published in the newspaper having the contract for publishing the *commissioners' proceedings* for said county for the *current* year. One commissioner shall be elected in each such district who at the time of the election shall be a resident thereof, and the person so elected shall be entitled to hold said office only while he remains a resident of said commissioner district. *When a county is re-districted there shall be a new election of commissioners in all the districts of the county at the next general election. The board shall determine that not less than two nor more than three members of the board shall be elected for a term of two years and the remainder for a term of four years at the next general election. Thereafter all commissioners shall be elected for four years; provided, that where no change is made in the boundaries of a district, the commissioner in office at the time of re-districting shall serve for the full period for which he was elected.*

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

**Sec. 3. Not to affect certain laws.**—This act shall not be construed as repealing or in any manner modifying the provisions of Chapter 177, Laws of Minnesota for 1917.

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CHAPTER 367—S. F. No. 519.

*An act relating to the inspection of oils and to the division of oil inspection of the dairy and food department.*

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

**Section 1. Salary of chief oil inspector.**—That Section 3, of Chapter 520, Laws of 1919, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 3. The dairy and food commissioner is hereby authorized to appoint with the consent of the governor, a chief oil inspector who shall be in charge of and shall administer the division of oil inspection and shall receive an annual salary of \$3600. The chief oil inspector shall be a skilled and suitable person with experience and knowledge of petroleum and its by-products and who is not interested in the manufacture of or dealing in such products. He shall hold office for four years unless sooner removed by the dairy and food commissioner, and in the performance of his duties, he shall at all times be subject to the control of and supervision by the dairy and food commissioner.”

**Sec. 2. Inspection districts to be established.**—That Section 4, of Chapter 520, Laws of 1919, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 4. The dairy and food commissioner in conjunction with the chief oil inspector, is hereby authorized to create not to exceed sixty-seven inspection districts in the state. In the creation of said district due consideration shall be given to important shipping centers. Said commissioner with the advice of the chief oil inspector is hereby authorized to appoint when necessary one deputy for each inspection district so established. He shall take such measures as he deems necessary to prevent duplication of effort by inspectors under his control and to effect economy in the administration of the inspection laws, and to that end he shall detail dairy and food inspectors to perform the duties of deputy oil inspectors as far as practicable. The deputy inspectors shall receive compensation on a graded scale based upon their qualifications and the volume of work they perform; such salaries not to be less than seventy-five dollars per month, nor to exceed eighteen hundred dollars per annum; and they shall be reimbursed for all expenses necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their official duties; such salaries to be determined by the dairy and food commissioner upon the advice of the chief oil inspector. *For the*