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to

# Mason's Minnesota Statutes

(1927 thru 1931)

Containing the text of the acts of the 1929 and 1931 Sessions of the Legislature, both new and amendatory, and notes showing repeals, together with annotations from the various courts, state and federal, construing the constitution, statutes, charters and court rules of Minnesota



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§9705-1. Notice.—The commissioner of insurance or the county auditor in whose office the written notice above specified is filed shall upon receipt of said written notice mail one copy of the same by registered mail to the principal contractor, at his last known ad-dress, and to each of the sureties on his bond, at their last known addresses, and the claimant shall at the time he files said written notice furnish the commissioner of insurance or the county auditor in whose office the notice is filed at least two copies of said notice. The commissioner of insurance or county auditor with whom said notice is filed shall be entitled to charge a fee of \$1.00 for filing said notice and mailing the copies as herein provided; and provided further that the failure of the commissioner of insurance or the county auditor with whom said notice is filed to mail said copies as herein provided, shall in no way affect the validity of the claim or the right of the claimant to maintain an ac-

tion thereon. (Act Apr. 25, 1929, c. 369, §3.)

§9705-2. Not to affect pending actions.— This act shall not affect any action or proceedings now pending in any of the courts of this state. (Act Apr. 25, 1929, c. 369, §4.)

§9705-3. Effective May 1, 1929.—This act shall take effect and be in force from and after May 1, 1929. (Act Apr. 25, 1929, c. 369, §5.)

§9706. Actions for fines, forfeitures, and penalties, etc.

Actions with respect to money found in forfeited gambling devices. Op. Atty. Gen., June 19, 1931.

#### §9707. Fines, how disposed of.

Amount of forfeited bail bond paid into municipal court must be paid into county treasury. Op. Atty. Gen., Oct. 5, 1929.

#### CHAPTER 86

## Actions to Vacate Charters, Etc., and to Prevent Usurpations

§9709. To annul act of incorporation— Fraud.

179M373, 229NW353.

§9710. To vacate charter, etc.

179M373, 229NW353.

#### . §9711. For Usurpation of office, etc.

Action by quo warranto to test title to office in private corporation may be brought in the district court by other officers and stockholders of the corporation without application to, or action by, the attorney general. 179M373, 229

#### CHAPTER 87

### Special Proceedings

#### MANDAMUS

§9722. To whom issued.

#### 1. When will lie.

Where commerce commission suspends sale of registered securities pending a hearing to show cause why registration should not be cancelled, and before the hearing the corporation requests a cancellation of the registration, the commission has no right to compel the production of its records and papers, in the absence of some specific allegation of a violation of the Blue Sky Law. 172M328, 215NW186.

A writ will not be granted where, if issued, it would prove unavailing or where lapse of time has rendered the relief sought nugatory. 173M350, 217NW371.

Petitioner must show he is entitled to relief sought but where he seeks to compel public officials to form a governmental duty they are presumed able to perform and the burden is upon them to show the contrary. 173M350, 217 NW371.

Where discretion of town supervisors with respect to the opening of a road has been exercised in an arbitrary and capricious manner, the court may exercise control, but it must be made to appear that there are not only available funds but also sufficient available funds to do whatever else may, in the reasonable judgment of the board, be needful on the other town roads. 175M34, 220NW166.

When an executive or administrative body determines a matter involving the exercise of its discretionary power the courts do not interfere. 175M583, 222NW285.

Mandamus is not the proper remedy to correct an error in fixing the time of trial, but if the trial court refuses to proceed with trial, mandamus is the remedy. State ex rel. Collins v. Dist. Ct. of Ramsey County, 222NW931.

Power given by \$2609 to town board to determine necessity of cutting down hedges and trees in highway is discretionary and cannot be controlled by mandamus. 177M372, 225NW296.

Mandamus does not issue from this court to review a judgment of the district court entered upon the hearing of a motion to dismiss an action brought by the relator, a resident and citizen of another state, under the Federal Employers' Liability Act to recover damages sustained while in the employ of a railroad engaged in interstate commerce in such other state. State ex rel. Boright v. Dist. Ct. Steele County. 228NW569.

Will not be granted to compel county to publish annual statement in newspaper unlawfully entering into agreement with other papers to obtain contract. 178M484, 227NW499.

The writ will not lie to compel the attorney general to try a civil action brought by the state at the "next term" of court. 178M442, 227NW 891.