

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, there is now no law providing that the state auditor shall number vouchers filed for bills, claims or accounts, an emergency exists; therefore this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 6, 1899.

WATER COMPANIES.

CHAPTER 171.

[H. B. 174.]

WATER COMPANIES MAY CROSS BRIDGES.

AN ACT to Permit Water Companies to Cross Over Bridges with Their Pipes.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. MAY CROSS BRIDGES.] Any duly incorporated company, or city, engaged in the business of furnishing water for domestic, fire and irrigation purposes, to individuals, towns, cities, counties or corporations, of this state, shall be permitted to attach its water pipes to any wagon or railroad bridge crossing a stream wholly or in part within this state, provided that such water company shall pay to the owners of said bridge, whether belonging to a city, county or railroad company, a sum not exceeding five cents for each hundred thousand gallons of water that shall be run through said pipes over said bridge, and the owner of said bridge shall be allowed such access to the books of said water company as shall enable it to ascertain how much water has in a given period, run through said pipes.

Approved March 8, 1899.