
HOLIDAYS

CHAPTER 140.

[S. B. No. 154—Steel, of Stutsman]

HOLIDAYS ESTABLISHED.

AN ACT to Amend Section 6710 of the Revised Codes of 1905, Relating to Holidays.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 6710 of the revised codes of 1905 of the state of North Dakota is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 6710. HOLIDAYS.] Holidays are every Sunday; the first day of January, which is new year's day; the twelfth day of February, which is the birthday of Abraham Lincoln; the twenty-second day of February, which is the birthday of George Washington; the fourth day of July, which is the anniversary of the declaration of independence; the twenty-fifth day of December, which is Christmas day; the thirtieth day of May, which is memorial day; the first Monday in September, which is labor day; every day on which an election is held throughout the state, and every day appointed by the president of the United States or by the governor of this state for a public fast, thanksgiving or holiday.

Approved March 13, 1909.

HOTELS

CHAPTER 141.

[H. B. No. 63—Sorlie]

HOTEL INSPECTION.

AN ACT to Amend Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 14 of Chapter 135 of the Laws of 1907.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 1 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. HOTEL DEFINED.] Every building or structure kept, used or maintained as, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be an inn, hotel or public lodging house, or place where sleeping accommodations are furnished for hire to transient guests whether with or without meals, shall for the purpose of this act, be deemed to be a hotel, and wherever the word hotel shall occur in this act, it shall be construed to mean every such structure as is described in this section.

§ 2. AMENDMENT.] Section 2 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 2. FIRE ESCAPES, HOW CONSTRUCTED.] Every hotel that is more than two stories high shall be provided with a hall on each floor extending from one outside wall to the other, and at each end of such hall shall be equipped with an iron fire escape on the outside of the building, connecting on each floor above the first, with at least two openings which shall be well fastened and secured, with landings not less than six feet in length, and three in width, guarded by an iron railing not less than three feet in height. Such landings shall be connected by iron stairs not less than two feet wide and with steps of not less than six inches tread, and protected by a well secured hand rail on both sides and reaching to within ten feet of the ground, with a drop ladder twelve inches wide reaching from the lower platform to the ground. Such fire escapes shall be sufficient if a perpendicular iron ladder shall be used instead of the stairs, provided such iron ladder is placed at the extreme outside of the platforms and at least two feet away from the wall of the building, and provided said ladder is equipped with round iron rounds not more than fifteen inches apart. The way of egress to such fire escape shall at all times be kept free and clear of all obstruction of any and every nature. There shall be posted and maintained in a conspicuous place in each hall and in each guest's room, except the halls and rooms on the ground floor of such hotel, a printed notice in characters not less than two inches high, calling attention to and directing the way to such fire escape. A red light shall be maintained in buildings over two stories high on each floor at the end of the hall, directly in front of the fire escape.

§ 3. AMENDMENT.] Section 3 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 3. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AND STANDPIPES.] Each and every hotel shall be provided with at least one chemical fire extinguisher, approved by the national board of underwriters, for every twenty-five hundred square feet or less of floor area, which such extinguisher or extinguishers shall be placed in a convenient location in a public hallway outside of the sleeping rooms, and shall always be in condition for use; or in lieu thereof, such hotel shall be equipped with not less than one and one-fourth inch standpipe with hose con-

nections and hose of sufficient length to reach both ends of hall where standpipe is located, always attached in such hallway, which standpipe shall be supplied with a sufficient pressure of water.

§ 4. AMENDMENT.] Section 4 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 4. PROVISIONS FOR BUILDINGS NOT OVER TWO STORIES HIGH.] Every hotel which is not over two stories in height and which is not provided with such fire escape as is described in section two hereof, shall provide in every bedroom or sleeping apartment on the second floor, a manila rope at least five-eighths of an inch in diameter and of sufficient length to reach the ground, with knots or loops of not more than fifteen inches apart, and of sufficient strength to sustain a weight and strain of at least five hundred pounds. Such rope shall be securely fastened to the joists or studding of the building as near the window as practicable, and shall be kept coiled in plain sight at all times, nor shall such rope be covered by curtains or other obstructions. Every such hotel shall provide and maintain in a conspicuous place in every bedroom or sleeping apartment above the ground, a printed notice calling attention to such rope and giving directions for its use.

§ 5. AMENDMENT.] Section 6 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 6. SANITARY PROVISIONS.] Every hotel shall be well drained, constructed and plumbed according to established sanitary principles; shall be kept clean and in a sanitary condition and free from effluvia arising from any sewer, drain, privy or other source within control of the owner, manager, agent or other person in charge; shall be provided with water closets or privies properly screened, for the separate use of males and females, which water closets or privies shall be disinfected as often as may be necessary to keep them at all times in a sanitary condition, and shall be heated in winter. All bedrooms shall be kept free from vermin and the bedding in use shall be clean and sufficient in quantity and quality; all sheets shall be at least eight feet in length; each guest shall be furnished with two towels; in case bedrooms are carpeted the carpet or carpets thereon shall be taken up and thoroughly cleansed at least once each year; no rusted tin or iron vessel or utensil shall be used in cooking food and all food stuffs shall be kept in a clean and suitable place, free from dampness and contact with dirty water; the floors, closets, cupboards and walls of all kitchens shall at all times be kept free from dirt and no dust or greases shall be allowed to collect thereon; in all hotels where fifty cents or more per night is charged for lodging the sheets and pillow cases shall be changed after the departure of each guest.

§ 6. AMENDMENT.] Section 14 of chapter 135 of the laws of 1907 is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 14. INSPECTION FEE.] Every hotel containing less than ten sleeping rooms for the accommodation of the public shall pay an

inspection fee of two dollars and fifty cents when inspected under the provisions of this act, and every hotel containing more than ten sleeping rooms and less than twenty sleeping rooms for the accommodation of the public shall pay an inspection fee of five dollars when inspected under the provisions of this act, and every hotel containing twenty or more sleeping rooms, and less than fifty sleeping rooms for the accommodation of the public shall pay an inspection fee of ten dollars, and every hotel containing fifty or more sleeping rooms shall pay an inspection fee of twenty dollars, when inspected under the terms of this act. Such fees shall be collected by the inspector annually at the time of inspection, and if not paid on demand the inspector may sue therefor in his own name for the use of the state, and in such case the court shall allow and enter as a part of the judgment against the defendant, all the costs of such action, including a fee not exceeding twenty-five dollars for any attorney necessarily employed in such action by the inspector.

§ 7. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved February 19, 1909.

IMMIGRATION

CHAPTER 142.

[S. B. No. 83—Koffel]

APPROPRIATION FOR PROMOTION OF IMMIGRATION.

AN ACT Making an Appropriation for Carrying Into Effect Provisions of Law Relating to the Duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor.

WHEREAS, The agricultural department during the past four years has extensively and profitably advertised the resources of this state and has placed in a favorable manner the many excellent advantages North Dakota offers to the settlers; and,

WHEREAS, The said agricultural department has through the many exhibits it has made of North Dakota products at the different state and county fairs held in eastern states, and by the distribution of literature containing a description of the state succeeded in inducing many thousands of people to locate within its borders; and,

WHEREAS, North Dakota has been one of the first of the northwestern states to inaugurate the plan of exploiting and advertising its resources, and has taken a front rank in securing an intelligent and progressive class of new settlers and attracted the attention of all parts of the world; and,

WHEREAS, Adjoining and other western states have realized the value of the advertising done and the exploitations made by North Dakota, are