

torical purposes the title shall vest in the State of North Dakota and the land may be placed in the custody of the Old Settlers' Association of the respective counties in which such sites are located, and may be improved and used by them for public park purposes and for the accumulation and care of relics of historical interest. When relics are contributed or purchased they shall be placed in the custody of the State Historical Society, and those of a local historical nature may be loaned to the county Old Settlers' Associations when proper provision has been made for their care and preservation. The money contributed for the purchase of historical relics or sites shall be placed in the hands of the State Treasurer and shall be paid out on warrant of the State Auditor when approved by the Board of the State Historical Society or a majority of its members.

§ 4. REPEAL.] That Sections 381, 382, 383, 384, and 385 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, are hereby expressly repealed.

Approved, March 10, 1915.

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## HOTELS

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### CHAPTER 170.

[S. B. No. 255—Lindstrom.]

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#### HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES—SANITARY CONDITIONS.

AN ACT to Amend Section 2984 of the Compiled Laws of 1913, Relating to the Equipment and Sanitary Conditions in Hotels, Restaurants and Rooming Houses.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 2984 of the Compiled Laws of 1913 be amended to read as follows:

§ 2984. 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.

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 cleaned at least once each year; no rusted tin or iron vessel or utensil shall be used in cooking food, and all foodstuffs 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 grease shall be allowed to collect thereon; a metal container shall be provided to hold ashes where such ashes are stored in or around the hotel building. In all cases where a patient having an infectious or contagious disease has been confined in a hotel room such room shall upon the removal of such patient be closed and fumigated, and upon the completion of such fumigation the certificate of a reputable physician to that fact shall be forwarded to the hotel inspector. In all hotels or lodging houses 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, and within three months after the taking effect of this Article it shall be unlawful to have upon a bed of any such hotel or lodging house any mattress of a lower grade than that commonly known to the trade as cotton felt combination; each mattress shall weigh at least thirty-five pounds unless it be a hair mattress, in which case it shall weigh thirty pounds or more. Each hotel, rooming house or restaurant where fifty cents or more per meal is charged shall keep in its main public washroom individual towels or paper towels in full view and reach of all guests at all hours. Each room shall be properly ventilated by at least one window, and by a doorway leading into the hall. Every hotel and restaurant where rooms are rented to lodgers by the day, by the week or by the month shall during the winter months be equipped with storm windows on hinges in such a way that the storm windows may be opened and closed at will; in lieu of such hinged storm windows the said places may be equipped with windows having slides therein that open and close over an opening of not less than ten by ten inches. During the summer months all such hotels, restaurants and rooming houses shall equip their windows with screens adequate to keep out flies and mosquitoes.

Approved, February 27, 1915.