
FALSE STATEMENTS

CHAPTER 36.

[S. B. No. 20—Bowman.]

DEFINING AND FIXING PENALTY

An Act Making It a Felony for Any State Official to Wilfully Publish False Statements With Reference to Any State Department, Institution or Industry and Providing the Manner in Which Such Cases Under the Provisions of This Act Shall Be Tried and Providing the Penalty Therefor.

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

§ 1. No state official shall wilfully publish any false statement in regard to any of the state departments, institutions or industries which said false statements shall tend to deceive the public and create a distrust of the state officials or employees in charge of such departments, institutions or industries, or which tends to obstruct, hinder and delay the various departments, institutions and industries of the state.

§ 2. The District Court in any county in the state where any such false statements shall have been uttered or otherwise published, shall have jurisdiction to try any case brought under the provisions of this Act.

§ 3. In all prosecutions under the provisions of this Act and tried by a jury such jurors shall be selected from various parts of the county in which such case shall be tried.

§ 4. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term of one year or by a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or both.

§ 5. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

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FERRIES

CHAPTER 37.

[S. B. No. 49—King.]

LICENSE.

An Act to Provide for the Licensing of Ferries; the Collection of Fees Therefor and the Disposition Thereof; to Provide Penalties for the Violation Thereof; and to Repeal Section 2062 of the Compiled Laws of

North Dakota for the Year 1913, as Amended by Chapter 129 of the Laws Passed at the Sixteenth Session of the Legislative Assembly, Being the Session Laws of 1919, Section 2063, 2067, 2068 and 9777 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the Year 1913, and All Other Acts or Parts of Acts in Conflict with the Provisions Thereof.

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

§ 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to establish, maintain or run upon any navigable waters within this state any ferry upon which to convey, carry or transport any person or property for hire or reward, without having first obtained a license therefor as hereinafter provided.

§ 2. The Board of Railroad Commissioners of the State of North Dakota is hereby authorized to grant licenses for the operation of ferries upon such waters for a term not to exceed fifteen years to such person or persons as shall apply therefor; and where but one bank or shore of such water is within the boundaries of this state, the Board of Railroad Commissioners shall have the same authority and this law shall apply with like effect as if the entire stream were within this state; insofar as the banks or shores and waters actually within it are concerned; provided, that no exclusive license shall be granted, and provided further, however, that the Board of Railroad Commissioners shall have the right to reject any further application when the public convenience shall not require the establishment of an additional ferry or ferries, after one license shall have been granted for the operation of a ferry upon the same highway; and provided further, that two ferry boats may be operated under one license.

§ 3. An application for a license under the provisions of this Act shall be filed with the Board of Railroad Commissioners of the State of North Dakota and the applicant, at the time of filing such application; shall pay to the State Treasurer the sum of Twenty-five Dollars, which sum shall be refunded by warrant of the State Auditor drawn upon the State Treasurer in the event of the rejection of such application by the Board of Railroad Commissioners. A licensee shall pay to the State Treasurer a like sum annually in advance during the term of his license and in the event of such licensee's failure so to do his license shall thereby become void.

§ 4. All moneys received by the Board of Railroad Commissioners for ferry licenses as aforesaid shall be apportioned among the several districts of the state for the use of the public schools of the state in like manner as other funds are now by law apportioned.

§ 5. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Board of Railroad Commissioners shall have the right to fix such rates of ferriage as in its judgment may seem just.

§ 6. Every person who shall maintain or operate any ferry upon any navigable waters within this state, without having first

obtained a license from the Board of Railroad Commissioners as hereinbefore provided shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars, nor more than Five Hundred Dollars for each year or fractional part of a year that such person shall have operated such ferry.

§ 7. Section 2062 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, as amended by Chapter 129 of the Laws passed at the Sixteenth Session of the Legislative Assembly, being the Session Laws of 1919, Sections 2063, 2067, 2068, and 9777 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913 and all other Acts or parts of Acts in conflict with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

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HAIL INSURANCE

CHAPTER 38.

[S. B. No. 51—Ingerson.]

HAIL INSURANCE.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Sections 3, 5, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 23 and 24 of Chapter 160, Session Laws of 1919, Regular Session, Establishing a System of Hail Insurance, and Hail Insurance Department in the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Sections 3, 5, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 23 and 24 as amended by Chapter 160, Session Laws for the Year 1919, be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 2. AMENDMENT.] That Section 3, Commissioner to Employ Help, be amended to read as follows:

§ 3. COMMISSIONER TO EMPLOY HELP.] The Commissioner of Insurance shall have authority to employ all necessary assistants, to provide for and furnish all necessary supplies, to appoint a manager, subject to the approval of the Governor, and a chief inspector and such other deputy inspectors as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act; to appoint a chief clerk and as many adjusters and assistants as may be necessary to adjust all claims for losses from hail. The Commissioner of Insurance shall designate the duties and fix the compensation of all such employees, and may remove any or all of them with or without cause. Such compensation together with all other expenditures for the operation and maintenance of the Hail Insurance Department shall remain within the appropriation and surplus available in each year for such purposes, and shall not exceed the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars