

except as herein provided or unless hereafter specifically provided by law.

§ 2. All acts and parts of acts in so far as they are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

§ 3. This act is hereby declared an emergency measure and shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval.

Approved March 13, 1939.

HOURS

CHAPTER 153

H. B. No. 148—(Johnson of LaMoure and Dalzell)

HOURS OF LABOR OF FEMALES

An act to amend and re-enact Section 10246a1 of the Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913, as amended by Chapter 142 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for 1927, regulating and fixing the hours of labor of females and providing penalties for violation thereof.

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

§ 1. That Section 10246a1 of the Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913, as amended by Chapter 142 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for 1927, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

§ 10246a1.] No female shall be employed in any manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel or restaurant, or telephone or telegraph establishment or office, or in any express or transportation company, in the State of North Dakota more than eight and one-half ($8\frac{1}{2}$) hours in any one day, or more than six (6) days or more than forty-eight hours in any one week; provided, however, that this act shall not apply to females working in rural telephone exchanges or in villages or towns of less than five hundred (500) population, nor to cases of employees in small telephone exchanges, and in telegraph offices where the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor after a hearing has determined that the condition of work is so light that it does not justify the application of this act. In such cases the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor shall make reasonable rules and regulations under which females may be employed in such small exchanges. Provided, further, that the above law shall not apply in case of emergency, that at such

time female help may be employed ten hours in one day and seven days in one week, but not to exceed forty-eight hours in any one week. An emergency, as herein referred to, is defined to exist in the case of sickness of more than one female employee, in which case a doctor's certificate must be furnished, for the protection of human life, in the case of the holding of banquets, conventions, celebrations, session of the legislature in any city wherein such session is held and during the time such body is in session, or where a female is employed as reporter in any of the courts of the State of North Dakota.

Approved February 20, 1939.

INSURANCE

CHAPTER 154

H. B. No. 290—(Arneson of Nelson)

BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS ACT, AMENDMENT

An act to amend and re-enact Section 8 of Chapter 145 of the Session Laws of North Dakota, for the year 1937, relating to all benevolent corporations, association[s] or societies operating on voluntary or involuntary assessment or contribution plan.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 8 of Chapter 145 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for the year 1937, be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 8. ENTIRE CONTRACT. INCONTESTABILITY. SUICIDE.] The certificate of membership together with the application therefor shall constitute the entire contract, and shall be incontestable after one (1) year from its date of issue, except for fraud, non-payment of assessments or military or naval service in time of war. In no case shall death from acute or chronic diseases occurring more than one (1) year after the date of issue of said certificate be construed as grounds for non-payment, regardless of any provision or statement in the application and certificate contained; and in no case shall full payment be refused under any such certificate where the member's death occurs more than one (1) year after its date of issue, from acute, sub-acute or chronic diseases. In event of the member's suicide, within one (1) year from the date of issue of the certificate, the society's liability shall be limited to an amount equal to all membership fees and assessments paid.