

waters necessary or desirable for the use of said hatchery, in such manner as the board of game and fish commissioners may deem fit, and in case the owner of any real estate, land or premises, and the said board of game and fish commissioners cannot agree as to the value of the premises taken or so to be taken for any such use, the value thereof, and the price so to be paid therefor shall be determined by the appraisal of three (3) competent disinterested persons, residents of such county, commissioned to ascertain the amount to be paid by said board of game and fish commissioners to the owner or person interested; such commissioners to be appointed on application of the said board of game and fish commissioners, by the judges of the district court, in and for said County of Crow Wing, according to the provisions of chapter forty-one (41) of the Revised Laws, of 1905, so far as reasonably applicable, which said law shall apply to and govern proceedings under this act.

\$6,000 appropriated.—Sec. 4. There is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue fund of the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand dollars for the purposes of this act.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 276—S. F. No. 271.

An Act authorizing the railroad and warehouse commission to require railroads to install safety appliances.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Interlocking devices may be established—expense to be divided.—Section 1. That whenever in the judgment of the railroad and warehouse commission it is necessary for the public safety, said commission may require, at all railroad crossings, junctions and drawbridges in said state, the establishment of interlocking devices, or such other safety appliances as are necessary for the protection and safety of the traveling public.

Where two or more railroad companies are interested, the division of the expense of installing, maintaining and

operating said interlocking plant or safety device shall be agreed upon by the respective companies required to install the same; in case they cannot agree, then such division shall be determined by the railroad and warehouse commission after a hearing.

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Block signal system may be ordered.—Sec. 2. The commission may require any railroad company on any part of its line or lines operated in this state, to install and operate a "block signal system" or any other device or appliance that in its judgment will best promote the public safety.

Penalty for violation.—Sec. 3. Any railroad company neglecting to comply with any order of the commission made under this act, shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each day such neglect shall continue, to be recovered in a civil action in the name of the state and paid into the general fund of the state treasury.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force and take effect on and after its passage.

Approved April 22, 1907.

CHAPTER 277—S. F. No. 315.

An Act to prohibit discrimination by life insurance companies and providing penalties for violation thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Discrimination prohibited.—Section 1. No life insurance company doing business in this state shall make or permit any distinction or discrimination in favor of individuals between insurants (the insured) of the same class and equal expectation of life in the amount of payment of premiums or rates charged for policies of life or endowment insurance, or in the dividends or other benefits payable thereon, or in any other of the terms and conditions of the contracts it makes; nor shall any such company or agent thereof make any contract of insurance or agreement as to such contract other than as plainly expressed in the policy issued thereof; nor shall any such company or any officer, agent, solicitor or representative thereof pay, allow or give or offer to pay, allow or give, directly or indirectly, as inducement to insur-