

THE *J. Rogers*  
GENERAL STATUTES

OF THE

STATE OF MINNESOTA:

REVISED BY COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED UNDER AN ACT APPROVED FEBRUARY 17, 1868, AND  
ACTS SUBSEQUENT THERETO, AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATURE,  
AND PASSED AT THE SESSION OF 1866.

TO WHICH

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, THE ORGANIC ACT, THE  
ACT AUTHORIZING A STATE GOVERNMENT, AND THE  
CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA,

ARE PREFIXED;

AND A LIST OF ACTS PREVIOUSLY REPEALED,

A GLOSSARY, AND INDEX, ARE ADDED.

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person sells or disposes of any goods, wares, merchandise, grain or other commodities, by any scalebeam, steelyard, weight or measure, not proved and sealed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or fraudulently sells or disposes of any goods or commodities, by any scalebeam, steelyard, weight or measure that has been sealed but is unjust, he shall, upon conviction thereof, by any court of competent jurisdiction, forfeit for each offense a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, to the use of the complainant.

SEC. 12. If the treasurer of any county, or the sealer of weights and measures for any township, neglects to procure, (if not already provided) a set of weights and measures for such county or township, in compliance with the provisions of this chapter, he shall, upon conviction thereof by any court of competent jurisdiction, forfeit a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars to the use of the county.

Penalty for neglect to procure set of weights and measures.

SEC. 13. No action shall be commenced against any county or township sealer for neglecting to procure the sets of weights and measures as required by law, until the person proposing to bring such action, gives such sealer notice, in writing, of his intention to commence such action, at least twenty days prior thereto. And if such weights and measures are provided in accordance with the requirements of law, within twenty days from such notice, then such action shall not be commenced.

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SECTION 1. The seal heretofore used as the seal of this state, shall be the seal thereof, and a description in writing of the same shall be deposited and recorded in the office of the secretary of state and remain a public record.

Great seal to be deposited with secretary of state.

SEC. 2. Upon every seal of a court or officer authorized or required to have a seal, there shall be engraved the same device that is engraved on the great seal of the state, together with the name of the court or office in which the seal is to be used; and all such seals shall be one inch and five-eighths of an inch in diameter.

Device on official seals.

SEC. 3. The secretary of state shall procure from time to time seals for the several courts and county officers in the several counties in the state, and the cost of the same shall be charged to said counties respectively.

Sec. of state to procure seals for courts and officers.

SEC. 4. When any court of record is unprovided with a seal, the judge of said court may authorize the use of any temporary seal, or of any device by way of seal, until the same is provided as aforesaid.

Judge may authorize use of temporary seal.

Seal of notaries public.

SEC. 5. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent notaries public from using their present seal: *provided*, that if the same does not conform to the provisions of section two of this chapter, it shall not be lawful for any notary public to use the same in case of his reappointment.

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INTEREST OF MONEY.

Rate of interest.

SECTION 1. Interest for any legal indebtedness, shall be at the rate of seven dollars upon one hundred dollars for a year, unless a different rate is contracted for in writing, and all contracts shall bear the same rate of interest after they become due as before, if it clearly appears therefrom that such was the intention of the parties; but no contract for a greater rate of interest than twelve dollars upon one hundred dollars for a year, shall be valid for the excess of interest over twelve per cent.

BONDS.

Bond to be negotiable.

SEC. 2. Bonds and other obligations under seal for the payment of money, payable to the bearer, or some person designated or bearer, or payable to order, issued by any corporation or joint stock company, shall be negotiable in the same manner and to the same extent as promissory notes.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE AND PROMISSORY NOTES.

Bills and notes when to be considered as due in certain cases.

SEC. 3. Bills of exchange, drafts, promissory notes, and contracts due and payable, or to be executed, on Sunday, Thanksgiving, or Christmas day, the twenty-second day of February, the fourth day of July, or on the following day when either of the two days last mentioned occurs on Sunday, shall be payable or performable upon the business day next preceding said days; and in case of non-payment or non-fulfillment, shall be noted and protested upon such preceding day; but notice of the dishonor, non-payment or non-fulfillment thereof need not be given until the business day next following the days above specified.

When demand necessary to charge indorsers

SEC. 4. Upon a promissory note payable on demand, a demand made at the expiration of sixty days from the date thereof without grace, or

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