CHAPTER 79.

COMPENSATION OF MINE INSPECTORS.

S. F. 272.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-four hundred and eighty-three (2483) of the code, relating to the compensation of mine inspectors.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Salaries and allowance for expenses increased. That section twenty-four hundred and eighty-three (2483) of the code be amended, as follows: Strike out the words "twelve hun ired" in the ninth line and insert in lieu thereof the following "fifteen hundred." Also by striking out the words "five hundred" in the tenth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seven hundred and fifty."

Approved April 7, 1900.

CHAPTER 80.

RELATING TO MINES AND MINING.

H. F. 22

AN ACT to amend section two thousand four hundred and ninety (2490) of the code, relating to mines and mining.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. "Slack" excluded. That section two thousand four hundred and ninety (2490) of the code be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "slack" in the twenty-eighth line of said section.

Approved March 23, 1900.

CHAPTER 81.

PAYMENT OF COAL MINERS.

S. F. 21.

AN ACT to amend section two thousand four hundred and ninety (2490) of the code, relative to the payment of coal-miners.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Wages—how and when paid. That section two thousand four hundred and ninety (2490) of the code be amended by striking out the period at the end of the word "semi-monthly" in line thirty-seven and inserting in lieu thereof a comma, and by adding after said word "semi-monthly" in said line thirty-seven the following, to wit: "By paying for those earned during the first fifteen days of each month not later than the first Saturday after the twentieth of said month, and for those earned after the fifteenth of each month not later than the first Saturday after the fifth of the succeeding month."

Approved March 29, 1900.

CHAPTER 82.

RELATING TO EXAMINATION OF MINE FOREMEN, PIT BOSSES AND HOIST-ING ENGINEERS.

H. F. 124.

AN ACT requiring mine foremen, pit bosses, and hoisting engineers to submit to examination, and to hold certificates of competency, and providing for the punishment of persons violating the provisions of this act. [Amendatory of chapter 9, title XII, of the code, relating to mines and mining.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Certificate of competency. That from and after January 1st, 1901, it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge, or attempt to dis-

charge, any of the duties of mine foreman, pit boss, or hoisting engineer at any coal mine, whose daily output is in excess of twenty-five tons, unless he shall hold a certificate of competency for such position as provided in this But in case of the discharge, resignation, or disability of any person lawfully performing such duties the owner, agent, operator, or managing officer of said mine shall have a reasonable time within which to secure the services of a certificated person to take the place of the one so discharged, resigned, or disabled; and during such time a competent and capable person, whether certificated as provided in this act or not, may be temporarily employed to perform such services.

SEC. 2. How procured. Any person may secure the certificate of competency herein provided for by appearing before the board created by section twenty-four hundred and seventy-nine (2479) of the code for the examination of state mine inspectors, and submitting to such examination as to his qualifications, or producing such evidence of service, as required

by this act.

Board of examiners to adopt rules, - compensation. The board of examiners referred to in the last preceding section shall meet at such times and places, shall adopt such rules, conditions, and regulations, and shall prescribe and conduct such examinations as shall be most efficient to give effect to the spirit and intent of this act. The members of said board shall each receive the sum of five dollars per day for every day actually employed in the discharge of the duties imposed herein, together with their actual expenses incurred in the performance of such duties, which expenses shall be itemized and verified as provided by section 2480 of the code, but they shall not be allowed compensation for more than seventy days in any one year.

Certificates of competency—how issued. The certificate of competency herein provided shall be issued (1) to any person who shall satisfactorily pass such examination, written or oral, as may be prescribed by said board; (2) to any person who shall produce satisfactory evidence that he has, for a period of four years immediately preceding the examination, continuously and capably performed the duties of mine foreman, pit-boss, or

hoisting engineer as the case may be.

Sec. 5. Fees—certificates recorded. Every person applying for a certificate under this act shall pay to said examining board a fee of two dollars, and every successful applicant shall pay to said board an additional fee of two dollars; all of said fees to be accounted for and covered into the state treasury. Each certificate issued under this act shall be recorded in the office of the examining board, and shall show the name, age, residence, and years of experience of the person to whom it was issued.

Sec. 6. Penalty. No owner, agent, operator, or managing officer of any coal-mine to which this act applies shall employ any mine foreman, pit-boss, or hoisting engineer who does not hold the certificate herein contemplated. And any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six months, or by both fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

Approved March 23, 1900.

CHAPTER 83.

INSPECTION AND USE OF THE PRODUCTS OF PETROLEUM. S. F. 100.

AN ACT to amend section two thousand five hundred and eight (2508) of the code, in relation to the inspection and use of the products of petroleum.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Use of gasoline lamps. That section two thousand five hundred and eight (2508) of the code, as amended by chapter 62 of the acts of