

CHAPTER 197.

MINES AND MINING.

Sub. for S. F. 6.

AN ACT to repeal section [1], chapter [one hundred six] [106], acts of the thirty-fourth general assembly, and enact a substitute therefor, relating to the appointment of mine inspectors and fixing their term of office.

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

SECTION 1. Repeal—mine inspectors—appointment—term of office—vacancies—bond. That section one, of chapter 106, acts of the thirty-fourth general assembly be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted as a substitute therefor:

“The governor shall appoint three (3), mine inspectors from those receiving certificates of competency from the board of examiners as by law provided, who shall hold their office for a term of six (6) years and until their successor shall be appointed and qualified, subject to removal by him for cause, their term to commence on the fourth day of July, 1913, and at six (6) year periods thereafter, the present incumbents shall continue in office until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any vacancies occurring shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments and the appointee to hold for the unexpired term only. Each inspector shall in no way be financially interested in or connected with any mining property, or directly or indirectly act as the agent, officer or representative of any person, firm or corporation, and shall devote his entire time and attention to the duties incumbent upon him as inspector of mines in the state of Iowa, and shall before entering upon the discharge of his duties give a bond in the sum of two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars and take an oath to be endorsed upon his bond, with sureties to be approved by the secretary of state, conditions in accordance with the tenor of the oath. The bond shall be conditioned to faithfully and impartially without fear or favor perform the duties incumbent upon him, which shall be filed with the oath and commission and recorded in the office of the secretary of state.”

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S. F. 309.

AN ACT to provide the method of constructing and operating gypsum mines, for escape shafts and for the ventilation of such mines, to provide for the inspection of the same by the state mine inspector, to require operators to report fatal accidents and to provide penalties for violation of this act. [Additional to chapter nine (9) of title twelve (XII) of the code relating to mines and mining.]

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

SECTION 1. Gypsum mines—two distinct openings—escape and air shafts. The owner or person in charge of any gypsum mine operated by shaft or one having a slope or drift opening in which five or more men are employed shall construct and maintain at least two distinct openings, which in shaft mines hereafter constructed shall be separated by not less than three hundred (300) feet and in slope or drift mines by not less than two hundred (200) feet in