

CHAPTER 83.

(H. B. No. 262)

AMENDING ACT CREATING A BUREAU OF LABOR.

AN ACT to amend Sections 1 and 8 of an act entitled, "An act creating a Bureau of Labor, defining its duties, abolishing the office of Assistant Labor and Factory, Mill and Railway Inspector, repealing Chapter XXIX of the Laws of 1897; making an appropriation and declaring an emergency;" approved March 16, 1901.

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

SECTION 1. That section one of an act entitled "An act creating a Bureau of Labor, defining its duties, abolishing the office of Assistant Labor and Factory, Mill and Railway Inspector, repealing chapter XXIX of the laws of 1897; making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency," approved March 16, 1901, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 1. A Commissioner of Labor ^{Amendment—} shall be appointed by the Governor, and said Commissioner ^{Governor to appoint.} of Labor, by and with the consent of the Governor, shall have power to appoint and employ such assistants as may be necessary to discharge the duties of said Commissioner of Labor; and said Commissioner of Labor, together with the Inspector of Coal Mines, shall constitute a Bureau of Labor. On the first Monday in April in 1897, and every four years thereafter, the Governor shall appoint a suitable person to act as Commissioner of Labor, and as Factory, Mill and Railroad Inspector, who shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualified.

SEC. 2. That section eight of said act, approved March 16, 1901, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 8. The salary of the Commissioner of ^{Salary.} Labor, provided for in this act shall be eighteen hundred (1800) dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed his actual and necessary traveling and incidental expenses; and any assistant of said Commissioner of Labor shall be paid for each full day service rendered by him, such compensation as the Commissioner of Labor may deem proper, but no such

assistant shall be paid to exceed four (\$4.00) dollars per day, and his actual and necessary traveling expenses.

Passed the House March 1, 1905.

Passed the Senate March 3, 1905.

Approved by the Governor March 6, 1905.

CHAPTER 84.

(H. B. No. 129)

PROVIDING FOR THE PROTECTION OF EMPLOYES OF FACTORIES AND MILLS.

AN ACT providing for the protection and health of employes in factories, mills or workshops, where machinery is used, and providing for suits to recover damages sustained by the violation thereof, and prescribing a punishment for the violation thereof, and repealing an act entitled, "An act providing for the protection of employes in factories, mills or workshops where machinery is used, and providing for the punishment of the violation thereof," approved March 6, 1903, and repealing all other acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.

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

SECTION I. That any person, firm, corporation or association operating a factory, mill or workshop where machinery is used shall provide and maintain in use, belt shifters or other mechanical contrivances for the purpose of throwing on or off belts on pulleys while running, where the same are practicable with due regard to the nature and purpose of said belts and the dangers to employes therefrom; also reasonable safeguards for all vats, pans, trimmers, cut-off, gang edger, and other saws, planers, cogs, gearings, belting, shafting, coupling, set screw, live rollers, conveyors, mangles in laundries and machinery of other or similar description, which it is practicable to guard, and which can be effectively guarded with due regard to the ordinary use of such machinery and appliances, and the dangers to employes therefrom, and with which the employes of any such factory, mill or workshop are liable to come in contact while in the performance of their duties; and if any machine, or any part thereof, is in a defective condition, and its opera-

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