

the offending person, company, or corporation shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each and every day's failure or neglect to remove said connection and to cut off the current.

Powers of chief inspector.

The chief inspector of electrical work is hereby authorized and empowered, with the approval of the Commissioners, to cause said connection to be removed and the current cut off upon such failure of the offending person, company, or corporation, and to refuse to permit said connection to be replaced and the current to be used until the wiring shall be put in proper and safe condition.

Effect.

SEC. 5. That this Act shall take effect ninety days from and after the approval thereof.

Approved, April 26, 1904.

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[S. 4375.]

[Public, No. 163.]

CHAP. 1603.—An Act To amend section twenty-four of the Act approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, entitled "An Act to amend the laws relating to American seamen, for the protection of such seamen, and to promote commerce."

American seamen.
Protection of, etc.
Vol. 30, p. 763,
amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so much of paragraph (a) of section twenty-four of the Act approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, entitled "An Act to amend the laws relating to American seamen, for the protection of such seamen, and to promote commerce," as reads "If any person shall demand or receive, either directly or indirectly, from any seaman or other person seeking employment as seaman, or from any person on his behalf, any remuneration whatever for providing him with employment, he shall for every such offense be liable to a penalty of not more than one hundred dollars," is hereby amended to read "If any person shall demand or receive, either directly or indirectly, from any seaman or other person seeking employment as seaman, or from any person on his behalf, any remuneration whatever for providing him with employment, he shall for every such offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be imprisoned not more than six months or fined not more than five hundred dollars."

Receiving remuneration for procuring employment for, a misdemeanor.

Penalty.

Effect, July 1, 1904.

SEC. 2. That this Act shall take effect on and after July first, nineteen hundred and four.

Approved, April 26, 1904.

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[Public, No. 164.]

CHAP. 1604.—An Act To extend the time for completion of the East Washington Heights Traction Railroad Company.

District of Columbia.
East Washington Heights Traction Railroad Company.
Time extended for construction.
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amended.
Proviso.
Failure to complete.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time within which the East Washington Heights Traction Railroad Company is required to complete and put in operation its railway be, and the same hereby is, extended for the term of eighteen months from the passage of this Act: *Provided,* That failure to complete any portion of the routes as provided in the charter of said company within the time herein limited shall operate to repeal the authority to build such portion and shall not repeal the charter of said company; and that any connecting company may lease or purchase the portion of said routes which is completed within the said eighteen months.

Lease, etc., by other companies.

Amendment.

SEC. 2. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, April 26, 1904.