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CHAPTER 236.

AN ACT to require records to be kept and statements made relative to mining operations in this state.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Lessee of mine to make monthly statement to lessor. SECTION 1. When there shall be no agreement between the parties to any mining lease, license or permit, to mine or remove ore from any lands in this state, regulating the method of reporting the amount of ore taken, it shall be the duty of the person, firm or corporation mining and removing such ore or ores, to keep proper and correct books, and therefrom to make and deliver by or before the fifteenth day of each month to the lessor, owner or person entitled thereto, a detailed statement covering the operations of the preceding month. Such statement shall show the total amount of tons or pounds of each kind of ore produced; if sold, then to whom sold, giving the date of sale, date of delivery to any railroad company, naming such company, and the station where delivered or billed for shipment; the name and address of the purchaser; the price per ton at which sold and the total value of each kind of ore so sold. Such books shall be always open to any owner, lessor, licensor or stockholder, if such owner, lessor, or licensor is a corporation, and to any person or stockholder interested in any such mining operations, for the purpose of inspection and taking copies thereof or abstracts therefrom.

Penalty. SECTION 2. Any person, firm, joint stock company or corporation, and every officer, agent or employee of any thereof, who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or who shall make any false or incomplete entries on any such books or statements, shall, upon conviction, thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 23, 1905.