

certified by the Bureau; and shall prescribe regulations governing the transportation into, storage and use within such mines of illuminating and lubricating oils and other illuminants for any purpose intended.

SEC. 123. Any person who shall sell for use in any mine, or any employee who shall use, or any operator or mine foreman who shall permit to be used in any mine in this State, any oil or other illuminant other than as prescribed by this act or regulations thereunder, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; and it shall be the duty of the district mine inspector, whenever he suspects that this act has been violated, to take test samples of any illuminant and subject the same to the test prescribed by the Bureau under this act.

TITLE VI—DANGEROUS CONDITIONS IN MINES.

CHAPTER XVIII—*Dangerous Gases in Mines.*

SEC. 124. Accumulations of gas shall not be removed from a mine or part of a mine by brushing or the use of water; and any operator, mine foreman or fire boss who shall knowingly permit the same to be done, or workmen who shall so offend, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SEC. 125. The operator shall immediately notify the district mine inspector upon the discovery of any large body of explosive gas in any mine, whether explosions have occurred or not; and shall direct and see that steps are immediately taken to remove such gas, by properly directed air currents carrying adequate ventilation up to the faces from which the gas exudes, or by other appropriate means. No open flame shall be permitted in the affected portion of such mine, and full precautions against accidents shall be taken.

SEC. 126. The mine foreman shall see that every mine generating explosive gas is kept free of standing gas in working places or roadways. Unless securely and safely sealed, under regulation of the Bureau, any accumulation of explosive or noxious gas shall be removed from worked-out or abandoned portions of any mine as soon as possible after its discovery; and until such gases have been removed no person who may be endangered by the presence of such gases and who is not engaged in removing the same, shall be allowed to remain in the affected portion of such mine. All dangerous places and the entrances to worked-out and abandoned parts of such mines