

to enable the State official veterinarians to care for such matters when called upon, that this act should take effect prior to July 1, 1893; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 10, 1893.

VITAL STATISTICS.

CHAPTER 133.

[H. B. No. 108.]

COLLECTION OF VITAL STATISTICS.

AN ACT to Provide for the Collection of Vital Statistics.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. STATISTICS, HOW COLLECTED—WHAT INCLUDED.] The health officer of each city, within the limits of such city, and superintendent of the county board of health of each county in this State, in his county outside of such city, shall obtain and register the following facts concerning the births and deaths occurring therein, separately numbering and recording the same in the order in which he obtains them, designated in separate columns, viz: In the registry of births, the date of birth, the name of the child (if it have any), the sex and the color of the child, the names and places of birth of the parents, and the date of the record; in the registry of deaths, the date of death (the name of the deceased), the sex and color, and the condition, whether single, widowed or married (the age and place of birth), the names and places of birth of the parents, the disease or cause of death, and the date of the record. The county auditor of each county shall furnish each health officer within his county, at the expense of the county, a book in which to register the facts concerning the births and deaths as above provided. And the superintendent of each county board of health shall keep his records in the office of the county judge of said county.

§ 2. NOTICE OF BIRTH OR DEATH—BY WHOM GIVEN.] Parents shall give notice to such health officer of the births and deaths of their children; every householder shall give like notice of every birth and death happening in his house; the oldest person, next of kin, shall give such notice of the death of his kindred; the keeper, or other proper officer, of every workhouse, poorhouse, reform school, jail, prison, hospital, asylum, or other public or charitable institution, shall give like notice of any birth or death happening among the persons under his charge.

§ 3. DUTY OF ATTENDANT—BIRTH OR DEATH.] Any physician having attended a person during his last illness, shall, within five days after the decease of such person, furnish for registration to such health officer a certificate of the duration of the last illness, the name of the deceased, his age, the disease of which the person died, and the date of his decease; and any physician or midwife having attended a case of confinement, shall, within five days thereafter, furnish for registration to said health officer, a certificate of the date of birth, sex and color of the child, with the names, dates and places of birth of the parents.

§ 4. CITY HEALTH OFFICER—MONTHLY REPORT—FEES.] The health officer of each city shall, on or before the fifth (5) day of each month, transmit to the superintendent of the board of health of the county in which said city is situated upon blanks furnished him by the county auditor, a certified copy of the registry of births and deaths which have occurred within said city during the calendar month immediately preceding. For obtaining, registering and returning the facts herein required, such health officer shall be entitled to receive from the county treasurer of his county twenty-five (25) cents for each birth or death so obtained, registered and reported.

§ 5. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH—FEES.] The superintendent of each county board of health shall, on or before the tenth day of each month, transmit to the Superintendent of the State Board of Health, upon blanks furnished him by the State Board of Health, a certified copy of the registry of births and deaths which have occurred in said county within the calendar month immediately preceding. For obtaining, registering and returning the facts herein required, such health officer shall be entitled to receive from the county treasurer of his county, twenty-five (25) cents for each birth or death so obtained, registered and reported.

§ 6. BLANKS.] It shall be the duty of the State Board of Health to prepare and furnish to such health officers suitable blanks and instructions for making the returns herein provided for. And the Superintendent of the State Board of Health shall, on or before the fifteenth day of January of each year, issue to the health officer of each city and county a certificate showing the amount due to them respectively, for obtaining, registering and reporting the births and deaths aforesaid.

§ 7. COUNTY AUDITOR AND TREASURER—DUTIES.] The county auditor of each county upon the presentation to him of the aforesaid certificate of the Superintendent of the State Board of Health shall issue and deliver to the health officer named in such certificate, his warrant upon the county treasurer for the amount in said certificate stated to be due to such health officer. And the county treasurer, upon the presentation of such warrant, shall pay the same to the person entitled thereto out of the general fund of the county treasury.

§ 8. APPROPRIATION.] To cover all clerk hire, stationery and incidental expenses of the State Board of Health under this act, the sum of twelve hundred (1,200) dollars shall be and is hereby annually appropriated.

§ 9. REPEAL.] Section 5 of Chapter 63 and Sections 3 and 4 of Chapter 137 of the Laws of 1885, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

§ 10. VIOLATION—PENALTY.] Any person who shall neglect or refuse to do any act or perform any duty required by this act, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars nor less than five dollars.

Approved, March 17, 1893.

WATER WORKS.

CHAPTER 134.

[S. B. No. 66.]

SALE OF WATER WORKS OWNED BY MUNICIPALITY.

AN ACT Relating to the Sale of City, Town and Village Water Works.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. SPECIAL ELECTION TO DETERMINE SALE.] When any city, town or village shall own the water works system of such city, town or village, the city council nor the authorities of any town or village shall not have authority to sell or dispose of such water works system, mains, pumping stations nor any part thereof, unless the proposition to sell the same shall first have been submitted to the legal voters of such city, town or village at a special election called for that purpose, and such sale shall have been authorized by a majority vote of all the votes cast at such election; *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall prevent the city council of any city from selling or disposing of any machinery, material or other property belonging to any such system, that may have become inadequate or insufficient for the purpose for which the same was intended to be used.

§ 2. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved, March 6, 1893.