BRANDS

CHAPTER 27.

(H. B. No. 7.-Bauer.)

BRAND INSPECTORS.

An Act Providing for the Appointment of County Brand Inspectors: defining the duties of railways in the shipment of certain stock: Penalty.

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

- § 1. The County Commissioners of each county in the State may, in their discretion and for such period of time in each year as they may see fit, appoint some competent person or persons to inspect all horses, cattle or mules shipped out of each county, such persons so appointed to be known as County Brand Inspectors.
- § 2. Such person or persons so appointed as County Brand Inspectors, shall, upon appointment, qualify by filing with the County Auditor the oath of office provided by law for other county officers.
- § 3. The County Auditor of each County in which County Brand Inspectors are appointed, shall, as soon as such inspectors have qualified, notify all local agents or all railway or railroad companies operating in or through such county of the names and post office addresses of such inspectors.
- § 4. Such County Brand Inspectors, upon notice of any consignor, shall immediately, prior to the loading of any shipment of horses, cattle or mules, at the stockyards or loading platform from which such shipment is to be made, inspect the brand or other identifying marks upon each and every head of horses, cattle or mules about to be shipped.
- § 5. Upon making of such inspection of any shipment of horses, cattle or mules, as aforesaid, such inspector shall forthwith issue to such consignor a certificate showing such inspection, and shall immediately file with the sheriff of such county a report of such inspection, showing the consignor, consignee, the number and kind of such horses, cattle and mules, together with the brands or other identifying marks upon such horses, cattle or mules, and in case such animals bear no brands or particular identifying marks, as full a description of each animal as possible.
- § 6. Each County Brand Inspector, so appointed, as provided herein shall receive from the consignor requesting such inspection, the

sum of fifteen cents per animal; provided that in no case shall such compensation be or exceed the total sum of fifteen dollars for each separate shipment or consignment by each individual shipper or consignor or less than Two Dollars from one consignor.

- § 7. It shall be unlawful for any railroad or railway company operating in or through any county in the state of North Dakota in which such Brand Inspectors have been appointed, to accept for shipment from any point within the county, any horses, cattle or mules, until a certificate of inspection signed by a County Brand Inspector is filed with such company or its agent, by the consignor.
- § 8. In all civil actions involving the title to or possession of any horses, cattle or mules shipped out of the county, a certified copy of the County Brand Inspector's Report shall be received in all courts of this state as prima facie evidence of the facts therein recited.
- § 9. Any violation of any of the sections of this act is hereby made a misdemeanor and any one violating any of the provisions of said act, shall upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of not to exceed One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars.
- § 10. Repeal.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- § 11. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, an emergency exists this act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and immediately after its passage and approval.

Approved March 9, 1921.

CHAPTER 28.

(H. B. No. 48.—Bauer.)

BRANDS.

An Act to amend and re-enact Section 9997 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913, as amended by Chapter 143, of the Session Laws of 1917, Relating to Butcher's Reports of Branded Animals Killed.

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

- § 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 9997 of the Compiled Laws of the State of North Dakota for the year 1913, is hereby amended and re-enacted so to read as follows:
- § 9997. Report to Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor. Penalty. Any butcher in this State who shall kill, within this State any head of meat cattle upon which there is a brand, shall keep a record thereof showing from whom such animal was purchased, when and where purchased, and the place of residence of the person from whom

purchased, the sex and age of the animal to the best of his knowledge, and a description of any and all brands thereon, which record shall be open to inspection during business hours by the State's Attorney, or person authorized by him, of the county in which such butcher or person killing said cattle shall reside. It shall be the duty of every butcher killing branded cattle within this State to make a verified report to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor on the first day of each and every month, the facts required to be made of record by this section, upon blank forms which shall be provided for that purpose by said Commissioner and furnished to butchers upon application therefor without cost. Any person engaged in the business of killing any of the animals mentioned in this section and selling the meat thereof, either at retail or wholesale, shall be deemed a butcher. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Approved February 18, 1921.

CHILDREN'S CODE COMMISSION

CHAPTER 29.

(H. B. No. 31.—Burkhart and Starke.)

CHILDREN'S CODE COMMISSION.

An Act Creating a Children's Code Commission; fixing the membership thereof, defining its powers and duties; and making an appropriation therefor.

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

- § 1. There is hereby created and established a Children's Code Commission to consist of seven members appointed by the Governor as hereinafter provided.
- § 2. Upon taking effect of this act, and within thirty days thereafter, the following organizations, or the executive committees thereof, shall each nominate and submit to the Governor the names of members of their organization, from which nominations the Governor shall select the members of this commission. The organizations from whose membership the nominations shall be made as hereinbefore provided are State Conference of Social Work, State Federation of Women's Clubs, State Medical Association, State Bar Association and State Educational Association, State Federation of Labor and Member of the State Minimum Wage Department.