thistle is destroyed on agricultural land; Provided, that the expense of such cutting, pulling and destruction of such sow thistle shall not exceed one hundred dollars for each one hundred and sixty acre tract in each year when found growing upon agricultural land, and where found growing upon any state road, public highway or railroad right of way such expense shall not exceed the reasonable and necessary cost of such work.

Provided further, that when said perennial sow thistle is growing upon land owned by a non-resident of the county in which said land is situated, and such owner has no agent known to the Weed Commissioner in such County, said notice shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the land where the same can be seen by the traveling public.

Provided further, that when such sow thistle shall be destroyed by the Weed Commissioner, his deputies or employees, upon any state road the cost and expense of such service shall be paid by the county in which such state road is situated.

§ 2. PENALTY.] Any person violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$25.00.

§ 3. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 10, 1925.

STATE EXAMINER

CHAPTER 195

(H. B. No. 88-Rulon.)

DUTIES STATE EXAMINER

An Act To Amend and Re-enact Section 225 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the Year 1913, as Amended by Chapter 127 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for the Year 1919, Relating to the Duties of the State Examiner.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Section 225 of the Compiled Laws of 1913, as amended by Chapter 127 of the Session Laws of North Dakota for the year 1919, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 225. DUTIES.] It shall be the duty of the State Examiner to examine at least once a year, and as much oftener as he in his discretion may deem advisable, the books and accounts of the Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Clerk of the Supreme Court, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor, Department of University and School Lands, Supply Department of the National Guard, Board of Administration, State Tax Commissioner, County Treasurers, County Clerks, County Judges, Registers of Deeds, County Superintendents of Schools, Sheriffs and County Auditors. Fees for such examinations to be charged by the State Examiner only for the examination of books and accounts of City Auditors, City Treasurers, County Treasurers, County Clerks, County Judges, Registers of Deeds, County Superintendents of Schools, Sheriffs and County Auditors at the rate of ten dollars a day for the time actually employed by himself or his deputies, in such examination. Such fees to be paid into the State Treasury as provided by law for other fees collected by his office; provided, that on petition of thirty-five per cent of the electors of any school district, as determined by the number of votes cast at the last general election held therein, or at the request of the Mayor or President of the Board of City Commissioners of cities, it shall be the duty of the State Examiner to examine and audit personally, or by a duly qualified deputy, within thirty days after receipt of such petition or request, the books, records and accounts of the Treasurer and Clerk of any school district, or of any City Auditor and City Treasurer, as the case may be. Fees for such services shall be paid by such district or city at the rate of ten dollars per day for the time actually employed in making said examination and audit, and said fees shall be paid into the State Treasury as provided by law for other fees collected by the State Examiner.

§ 2. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved February 24th, 1925.