pool, billiards, bowling or cards are played, to allow any person under the age of eighteen years or any person attending a local high school, to play any of the games mentioned or to be allowed to visit any of said places, unless accompanied by parent or guardian; provided, that where bowling is conducted in a place where no intoxicating liquors are sold or consumed, minors under the age of eighteen years and over the age of fourteen years may be allowed to bowl and to visit such bowling alley, upon presentation to the owner or manager of such bowling alley of a written authorization so to do, signed by the parent or guardian of such minor.

Any person found guilty of violating this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 2, 1945.

STATE GOVERNMENT

CHAPTER 288

S. B. No. 208
Introduced by Delayed Bills Committee

EMPLOYEES, ATTORNEY GENERAL LICENSE DEPARTMENT

- An Act Authorizing the attorney general to appoint inspector, investigators, clerks, and bookkeepers for the licensing department and fixing their salaries.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. The attorney general shall be authorized to appoint a state inspector, four deputy inspectors and investigators, and a chief clerk who shall be bookkeeper and stenographer, to aid in carrying out the purpose of this act, and such other clerks and deputies as may be necessary for the proper administration of the licensing department. All of whom shall hold office during the pleasure of the attorney general, and all of whom shall give bond to the State of North Dakota in the sum of five thousand dollars. Such bond to be issued in the State Bonding Fund, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties and the accounting for the license fees collected by them. The attorney general shall fix their salaries, provided the salary of the state inspector shall not exceed twenty-six

hundred dollars a year, each deputy inspector and investigator not to exceed twenty-four hundred dollars, and the chief clerk not to exceed twenty-four hundred dollars a year. The chief clerk under the direction of the attorney general shall have charge of the office, including the receiving and disbursement of all money. The state inspector under the direction of the attorney general shall have charge of the inspections, investigations, and law enforcements and shall direct the work of the deputy inspectors and investigators, and each inspector and investigator shall possess all the powers of police officers anywhere in the state, shall have authority to visit and inspect any of the places herein mentioned, and as police officers to make arrests for violation of any laws of this state and shall be authorized to investigate and conduct investigations of any immoral or corrupt practices or violation of laws of this state and places being conducted contrary to law or constitution of this state.

Approved March 13, 1945.

CHAPTER 289

H. B. No. 83
Introduced by State Affairs Committee

LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

- An Act Relating to the creation of a Legislative Research Committee, prescribing its powers and duties, and appropriating money therefor.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota;
- § 1. There is hereby created a legislative committee, which is hereinafter referred to as the "Legislative Research Committee" or the "Committee." The legislative committee shall consist of 5 senators and 6 representatives to be chosen biennially before the close of each regular legislative session. In the House of Representatives such committee members shall be chosen in the same manner as the members of other committees from the list of 9 members recommended by each political faction and shall be divided equally between such factions. In the Senate such committee members shall be chosen by the Lt. Governor three (3) from the majority faction and two (2) from the minority faction, such committee members to be chosen from a list of seven (7) members recommended to him by each such faction. Any vacancy occurring when the legislature is not in session shall be filled by the selection of another member of the legislature, said selection to be made by the remaining Senate or House members of the committee, de-

pending upon which body has the vacancy. Each senator and each representative chosen to serve on the committee shall serve until the closing day of the term to which he or she was elected.

- § 2. In addition to the other applicable provisions of this act the committee shall have the power and right to study, consider, accumulate, compile and assemble information on any subject upon which the legislature may legislate, and upon such subjects as the legislature may by concurrent or joint resolution authorize or direct, or any subject requested by a member of the legislature; to collect information concerning the government and general welfare of the state and of its political subdivisions; to study and consider important issues of public policy and questions of general interest; to study and promote uniformity of legislation in the United States upon subjects upon which uniformity is desirable and to confer with the commissioners or similar groups appointed for the same purpose by any other state in drafting uniform laws to be submitted for the approval and adoption by the several states and through such member or members as the committee may appoint to meet annually with the conference of commissioners on uniform state laws for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States and join with it in such measures as may be deemed most expedient to advance the objects of such conference. It shall take over and perform the powers and duties of the Post War Planning Board. It shall prepare proposed bills and resolutions for consideration of the succeeding legislature. The committee may as it deems advisable call to its assistance other members of the legislature and it may create committees consisting of its own members, or one or more of its own members and one or more other members of the legislature and delegate by written resolution to such committees such of its powers and rights as it may deem advisable. Any member of the legislature shall have the right to attend any meeting of the committee, and may present his views on any subject which the committee may at any particular time be considering.
- § 3. Each department, board, commission, agency, officer or employee in the state government shall furnish such information and render such assistance to the committee as the committee may from time to time request.
- § 4. The committee, or any sub-committee appointed by it, may sit at such time and place as it may deem advisable, but the committee shall meet at least once in each quarter year and shall meet at any time upon the call of the chairman or a call signed by 7 members of the committee. At any meeting of the committee 5 members shall constitute a quorum and a majority of such quorum shall have authority to act in any matter falling within the jurisdiction of the committee.

- § 5. The governor may send messages to such meetings of the committee as he may deem advisable.
- § 6. The committee shall select a chairman and a vice chairman from its own members and may prescribe its own rules of procedure. It may appoint a secretary who need not be a member, and shall appoint a research director who shall be paid such salary as the committee may determine. The committee may employ such other persons and obtain the assistance of such research agencies as it may deem necessary. The committee is authorized to accept and use any funds made available to it through the terms of any agreement that it may make with any agency whatsoever for the accomplishment of the purpose of this act. Expenditures of funds made available to the committee by legislative appropriation shall be made only upon the authority of resolutions duly passed by the committee.
- § 7. The committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and a record of all its transactions and shall at the beginning of each biennial legislative session, and may at any other time, make a report of its activities and recommendations to the members of the legislature and to the governor.
- § 8. The committee may require that any recommendation for legislation that is to be presented by any department, board, commission, agency, officer, official or employee of the state desiring the consideration of the committee, be presented to it at least 60 days in advance of any regular session.
- § 9. The recommendations of the committee shall be completed and made public, at least 15 days, prior to any session of the legislature at which such recommendations are to be submitted; and a copy of said recommendations shall be mailed to each member elect of the legislature, to each elective state officer, and to the state law library.
- § 10. The members of the committee and the members of any sub-committee of the committee, shall be compensated for the time spent in attendance at sessions of the committee and of its sub-committees at the rate of \$5 per day and shall also be paid their actual expenses incurred in attending said meetings and in the performance of their official duties.
- § 11. If any provision of this act shall be held invalid, the remainder of this act shall not be affected thereby.
- § 12. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund to the Legislative Research Committee the sum of \$25,000.00 for the biennium ending June 30, 1947, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Approved March 9, 1945.

CHAPTER 290

S. B. No. 59 Introduced by Senator Page

SPECIAL ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERALS, APPOINTMENT

- An Act Amending and re-enacting Section 54-1208 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 relating to the appointment, by the attorney general, of special assistant attorneys general.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 54-1208 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:
- 54-1208. Special Assistant Attorneys General; Appoint-MENT; REVOCATION; COMPENSATION.] The attorney general also, when he deems it necessary, may after consultation with the head of the State Department of institution affected appoint special assist-. ant attorneys general, and no state officer, head of any state department, whether elected or appointed, or state department shall employ legal counsel, and no person shall act as legal counsel, in any matter, action or proceeding in which the state or any state department is interested or is a party, except upon appointment by the attorney general. The appointment shall be in writing. The powers conferred upon such special assistant attorneys general shall be the same as are exercised by the regular assistant attorneys general, when such powers are not limited specifically by the terms of such appointment. Any such appointment shall be revocable at the pleasure of the attorney general. It may be made with or without compensation, and when compensation is allowed by the attorney general for services performed, it shall be paid out of the funds appropriated therefor.
- § 2. All acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved March 12, 1945.

CHAPTER 291

S. B. No. 51 Introduced by Senator Shure

STATE CENSUS

- An Act Amending and re-enacting Section 54-2601 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, relating to taking of census in this State, and declaring an emergency.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. AMENDMENT:] That Section 54-2601 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:
- 54-2601. WHEN ENUMERATION OF INHABITANTS TO BE TAKEN.] An enumeration of the inhabitants of this state, and of each county, city, village, and township thereof shall be taken in the year nineteen hundred fifty-five, and during every tenth year thereafter, under the direction of the secretary of state.
- § 2. EMERGENCY.] This act is hereby declared to be an emergency act and shall be in full force and effect from its passage and approval.

Approved March 12, 1945.

CHAPTER 292

H. B. No. 205

Introduced by Representatives Stormon and Sharpe

STATE TREASURERS CHECKS, CANCELLATION

- An Act Providing for the cancellation of State Treasurer's checks more than six years old and deposit to general fund and subsequent payment.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § I. STATE TREASURER'S CHECKS: CANCELLATION: DEPOSIT TO GENERAL FUND.] The State Treasurer, at the beginning of each fiscal year, shall prepare a list of the checks drawn on various depositaries which are more than six years old which remain outstanding and unpaid and shall show the number, date, payee (with address of payee if available), amount, bank on which drawn and fund against which said check was drawn. A copy of such list shall

then be used as an authority for writing a receipt of the total of such check or checks and shall credit such amount to the General Fund. One copy of such receipt with list of checks affected shall be provided to the State Auditor.

§ 2. Subsequent Payment.] In the event any such check or checks is at any subsequent time presented for payment, the holder thereof shall execute a voucher for the amount, to which shall be attached the original check or other satisfactory evidence of ownership of such check. The voucher when approved by the State Auditor and State Auditing Board shall be paid by a State Auditor's warrant drawn on the General Fund.

Approved March 10, 1945.

TAXATION

CHAPTER 293

S. B. No. 134
Introduced by Judiciary Committee

APPEALS FROM DETERMINATION OF TAX COMMISSIONER

- An Act Repealing Section 57-3841 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 relating to appeals from the determination of the tax commissioner to any court.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. Repeal.] Section 57-3841 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby repealed.

Approved March 12, 1945.