

CHAPTER 61.

[S. B. No 174—Davis.]

PREMIUMS ON BONDS AND INSURANCE.

AN ACT Repealing Section 7 of Chapter 235 of Session Laws of 1911,
Relating to the Payment of Premium on Bonds and Insurance.

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

§ 1. Section 7 of Chapter 235 of Session Laws of 1911, is hereby repealed.

§ 2. **EMERGENCY.]** An emergency exists in that unnecessary expenditures are made by the state of North Dakota for premiums on bonds and insurance policies. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 11, 1913.

BUDGET

CHAPTER 62.

[S. B. No. 293—Williams.]

ANNUAL COUNTY BUDGET.

AN ACT to Provide for the Preparing of an Annual County Budget.

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

§ 1. It shall be the duty of every officer in charge of any institution, office or undertaking supported wholly or in part by the county, to file with the county auditor, on or before March 15th, of each year, on suitable blanks furnished by him, an itemized statement of the amounts of moneys which, in the opinion of such officer, will be required for the proper maintenance, extension or improvement of such institution, undertaking or office for the fiscal year next ensuing. The local officers who have charge of any poor relief which is supported wholly, or in part, by the county, shall in like manner furnish the county auditor with statements of the estimated amounts required from the county for poor relief during the ensuing financial year. It shall be the duty of the county auditor to furnish each officer or person required to make a statement with suitable blank forms, on or before March 1st of each year.

§ 2. DUTY OF AUDITOR.] It shall be the duty of the auditor to furnish each county commissioner, on or before the first meeting of the board of county commissioners in April, with a tabulated statement showing the several amounts asked for, for each institution, office and undertaking, and a brief explanation of the reasons therefor. Such tabulated statement shall be accompanied by a statement showing estimates of income from each and every source, and such other data as the county auditor may deem necessary for the full comprehension of said tabulated statement.

§ 3. At the April meeting of each year, the board of county commissioners in each county of this state shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a statement:

1. Showing in detail the proposed undertaking of the county and the relative importance of each such undertaking.

2. Showing detailed estimates of the cost of the proposed undertakings.

3. Showing detailed estimates of the cost of the whole operation of the county government for the ensuing fiscal year, and the cost of each principal detail or line of endeavor of each such operation.

Also a statement showing:

1. The amounts appropriated for each such estimate for the ensuing fiscal year.

2. The amount of revenues applicable to meet expenditures and the sources of such revenue.

3. The amounts necessary to be raised by taxes for each purpose and the total amount for all purposes.

Such statement shall be published at least once in at least one newspaper in the county during the month of May.

In order to prepare the estimates and tabulations herein provided for, the county commissioners may require every officer or board which has charge of any county institution, undertaking or office, to furnish any information in relation to the affairs of their respective offices, undertakings or institutions, that the board may deem necessary, and the board may also employ such experienced accountants as may be necessary, whose compensation shall be fixed by the board.

Approved March 12, 1913.

CHAPTER 63.

[H. B. No. 163—Norheim.]

STATE BUDGET.

AN ACT to Provide for the Preparing of a State Budget.

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

§ 1. STATEMENT OF DESIRED APPROPRIATIONS TO BE FILED WITH THE STATE AUDITOR.] Not less than forty days before the beginning of each regular session of the legislative assembly, the State Auditor shall send to the head of each administrative department of the state government, and to each officer, board or commission in charge of any educational, charitable, penal or other institution or undertaking supported wholly or in part by appropriation from the state treasury, a suitable blank form to be filled out by such head of such department, officer, board or commission, with an itemized statement of the amounts of money which, in the opinion of said department, officer, board or commission, will be required for the proper maintenance, extension or improvement of the department, institution or undertaking in his or their charge during the two fiscal years next ensuing. The officers, boards and commissions receiving such blank forms shall return them, properly filled out, on or before December 10th, to the State Auditor, together with statement of purpose for which any appropriation is desired at the ensuing session of the legislative assembly by such officer, department, board or commission. The State Auditor may also from time to time, and in his discretion require any department, board or commission to report to him as to such other fiscal affairs as the Auditor shall deem necessary for the proper compilation provided for by Section 3 of this Act.

§ 2. CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE. STATEMENTS TO BE FILED. STATEMENTS TO BE PUBLIC RECORDS.] Any person having a claim against the state which requires action by the legislative assembly, shall file with the State Auditor a statement of the amount of such claim, together with a brief statement of the facts upon which it is based, not later than December first, preceding the meeting of the legislative assembly.

All reports and statements filed with the State Auditor under the provisions of this Act shall be public records.

§ 3. DUTIES OF THE STATE AUDITOR AS TO TABULATION OF STATEMENTS.] Within five days after the opening of each regular session of the legislative assembly, the State Auditor shall furnish the Governor and to each member of the

legislative assembly, a tabulated statement in printed form, showing the several amounts asked for, the total for each department, institution or undertaking, the grand total, and a brief explanation of the purpose of or reasons for each proposed appropriation, as given by each department. Such tabulated statement shall also be accompanied by a statement showing the estimates of income from each and every source, and such other data as the Auditor may deem necessary and proper for the full comprehension of such tabulation.

Approved March 14, 1913.

CHAPTER 61.

[S. B. No. 235—Joint Committee on Education.]

APPROPRIATION REQUESTS TO BE PRINTED.

AN ACT to Provide for the Submission and Printing of the Requests for Appropriations and Proposed Legislation in Advance of the Meeting of the Legislature.

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

§ 1. **REQUIRED OF BOARDS.]** The boards of trustees of the State University at Grand Forks, the Agricultural College at Fargo, the State Normal Schools, the Normal and Industrial School at Ellendale, the Science School at Wahpeton, and the School of Forestry at Bottineau, shall prepare and submit to the state board of education on or before November 15 preceding each biennial session of the legislature, in duplicate form, a carefully itemized statement of the needs of the institutions under the direction of the above boards for the biennial period.

§ 2. **CONTENTS OF STATEMENTS.]** (a) The statements shall show estimated receipts from all sources, and the estimated expenditure for maintenance, not including expenditures for buildings and other permanencies for the biennial period.

(b) The statements shall also show the appropriations necessary for buildings, other permanencies, such maintenance as is needed over and above estimated income, and the specific amounts asked for in the form of appropriations for such purposes.

(c) It is further provided that the legislature shall make no appropriations for purposes not presented in the general requests of the institutions at the time required in section 1.

§ 3. **PUBLICATION.]** Upon receipt of these statements from the boards enumerated in section 1 of this Act the governor shall immediately have the same printed in one

pamphlet and distributed to members and members-elect of the legislature not later than December 15th.

§ 4. LEGISLATION.] All persons, institutions and educational interests shall so far as possible submit to the state board of education on or before November 15th preceding the assembling of the legislative assembly any desired legislation affecting education or amendments to the existing school laws, which, together with any comments on the same that the board of education may care to make, shall be published, and copies thereof presented to the members of the legislature as hereinbefore provided in section 3 of this Act.

Approved March 11, 1913.

CATTLE AND HORSE THIEVES

CHAPTER 65.

[H. B. No. 408—Batzer.]

CATTLE AND HORSE THIEVES.

AN ACT to Repeal Section 9202 of the Revised Codes of 1905, as Amended by Chapter 43 of the Session Laws of 1907, and Section 9203 of the Revised Codes of 1905.

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

§ 1. REPEAL.] Section 9202 of the Revised Codes of 1905, as amended by Chapter 43 of the Session Laws of the year 1907, and Section 9203 of the Revised Codes of 1905, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, the said law above repealed provides for a reward of one hundred dollars to be paid to the person or persons for the arrest and conviction of cattle and horse thieves; and, whereas, there is no appropriation made with which to pay said rewards, and it appearing from the records of the auditor of the state of North Dakota that there are claims in the sum of sixteen hundred dollars on file in his office for the arrest and conviction of cattle and horse thieves, and the legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota having refused and neglected to appropriate money to pay such rewards; therefore, to prevent a further injustice to the people of the state of North Dakota, an emergency exists, and this act shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 13, 1913.