

FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION
(Submitted by the legislature)
Chapter 106—Session Laws 1931

A Concurrent Resolution providing for the amendment of Section 202 of Article 15 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to future amendments.

Disapproved, March 15, 1932. 104953 to 51459.

LEGISLATIVE POWER, INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM
(Submitted by the legislature)
Chapter 107—Session Laws 1931

A Concurrent Resolution providing for the amendment of Section 25 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to the legislative power of the state, and the initiative and referendum.

Disapproved, March 15, 1932. 106770 to 50967.

INITIATED MEASURES

REDUCTION OF ASSESSED VALUATION

An Act to amend and re-enact Chapter 59 of the Laws of North Dakota for the year 1917 as amended by Chapter 220 of the Laws of North Dakota, enacted by the regular session of the legislature, for the year 1919 as amended by Chapter 298 of the Laws of North Dakota for the year 1923, the same being Section 2122a of the 1925 Supplement to the 1913 Compiled Laws of North Dakota, relating to the basis of assessment of property for taxation purposes, and to reduce such basis from seventy-five (75) per cent of the full and true value thereof to fifty (50) per cent of the full and true value thereof, and repealing all Acts or parts of Acts in conflict herewith.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

Chapter 59 of the Laws of the State of North Dakota for 1917 as amended by Chapter 220 of the Laws of North Dakota enacted by the regular session of the Legislature of 1919 and as amended by Chapter 298 of the Laws of North Dakota for 1923, being Section 2122a of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota, 1913, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 1. All property, real, personal and mixed, subject to a general property tax, not exempted by law or subject to any gross sales or other lieu tax shall be valued and assessed at fifty (50) per cent of the full and true value thereof, except farm buildings and improvements, which are hereby exempted from all taxes. Assessors and Boards of Review shall assess and return all taxable property

at its full and true value, and it shall be the duty of the County Auditor after equalization by the State Board of Equalization to make the computations necessary to reduce such assessed value to said fifty (50) per cent.

§ 2. All Acts and parts of Acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 111308 to 97733.

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PROHIBITING CORPORATION FARMING

An Act prohibiting corporation farming and relating to corporations acquiring and holding real estate not necessary in the operation of their business.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. That all corporations, both domestic and foreign, except as otherwise provided in this act, are hereby prohibited from engaging in the business of farming or agriculture, and are prohibited from acquiring or holding real estate in excess of that necessary for the conduct of their business, unless the same is acquired in the course of their business by judicial process or operation of law.

§ 2. That all corporations, both domestic and foreign, who now own or hold real estate, except such as is reasonably necessary in the conduct of their business, shall dispose of the same within ten years from the date that this act takes effect, provided that during said ten year period said corporations may farm and use said real estate for agricultural purposes.

§ 3. That any corporation, either domestic or foreign, that acquires real estate by judicial process or operation of law hereafter, except such as is reasonably necessary in the conduct of its business, shall dispose of such real estate within ten years from the date that it is so acquired, provided that during said ten year period it may farm and use same for agricultural purposes.

§ 4. That nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit cooperative corporations, seventy-five per cent of whose members or stockholders are actual farmers, residing in (on) farms or depending principally on farming for their livelihood, from acquiring real estate and engaging in cooperative farming or agriculture.

§ 5. That in case any corporation, either domestic or foreign, violates any provisions of this act and fails within the time fixed by this act to dispose of any real estate after it has acquired title to same, which is not reasonably necessary for the conduct of its business, then title to such real estate shall escheat to the county in which such real estate is situated upon an action instituted by the States Attorney of such county, and such county shall within one year

dispose of same at public auction to the highest bidder, and the proceeds of such sale, after all expenses of such procedure shall have been paid, shall be paid to the corporation that formerly owned same.

§ 6. That all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 114496 to 85932.

COUNTY OFFICERS MILEAGE REDUCTION

An Act reducing and fixing allowances for mileage and travel expense of county officials and their deputies, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in so far as they conflict herewith, and taking effect July 30th, 1932, excepting as to elective officials as to whom it shall take effect and be in force upon their election and qualification to office hereafter.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Sheriffs and their deputies, for each mile actually and necessarily travelled within this state in the performance of official duties, shall be allowed and paid only the sum of ten cents per mile when such travel is by motor vehicle or team, and the sum of five cents per mile when such travel is by rail or other common carrier within this state, and when such travel is outside this state in performance of official duties, whether by motor vehicle, rail or other common carrier, they shall be allowed and paid their actual, necessary, travel expenses.

§ 2. Hereafter, other county officials, whether elective or appointive, or any deputy of such officials, entitled by law to mileage or travel expense, shall be allowed or paid only the sum of seven cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily travelled within the county in the performance of official duties when such travel is by motor vehicle or team, and when such travel is by rail or other common carrier, they shall be allowed and paid therefor only the amount actually and necessarily expended therefor in the performance of their official duties, and in no case when such travel is by rail or other common carrier shall any such official or deputy be allowed or paid any amount exceeding the sum of five cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily travelled in the performance of official duties.

§ 3. Before any allowance for such mileage or travel expense may be paid by any county, such county official or his deputy, as the case may be, for whose travel the same is claimed, shall file with the county auditor an itemized statement verified by his affidavit, showing the mileage travelled, in what manner travelled, the days travelled and the purpose or purposes thereof, which statement and affidavit shall be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners

and such claim shall be approved by such Board before the same shall be allowed or paid.

§ 4. All Acts and parts of Acts, in so far as the same conflict with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed.

§ 5. This Act shall take effect and be in force on July 30th, 1932; excepting as to elective officials, as to whom it shall take effect and be in force upon their election and qualification to office hereafter.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 159434 to 50603.

STATE OFFICERS MILEAGE REDUCTION

An Act reducing, equalizing and fixing allowances for mileage and travel expense of state officials, elective and appointive, their deputies, assistants, clerks and other state employees, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in so far as they are in conflict herewith, and taking effect as to all except elective officials on the 30th day of July, 1932, and as to elective officials upon their election and qualification hereafter.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Hereafter, state officials, whether elective or appointive, and deputies, assistants, clerks of such officials, or other state employees, entitled by law to be reimbursed for mileage or travel expense, shall be allowed and paid for mileage and travel expenses only the sum of seven cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily travelled within this state in the performance of official duty when such travel is by motor vehicle or by team, and when any such motor vehicle or team is owned by the state or by any department or political subdivision thereof, no allowance shall be made or paid for such mileage. When travel is by rail or other common carrier the allowance for mileage and travel expense is hereby fixed at the amount actually and necessarily expended therefor in the performance of official duties, but in no case exceeding the sum of five cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily travelled in the performance of such duties. Provided that before any allowance for any such mileage or travel expense shall be made, such official, deputy, assistant, clerk or other employee shall file with the State Auditor an itemized statement showing the mileage travelled, the days when and how travelled and the purpose thereof, verified by this affidavit, which statement shall be submitted to the State Auditing Board for approval and shall only be paid when approved by said Board.

§ 2. All Acts and parts of Acts in so far as in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

§ 3. This Act shall take effect and be in force as to all except elective officials on the 30th day of July, 1932, and as to elective officials upon their election and qualification hereafter.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 153878 to 54027.

OUTLAWING CROP MORTGAGES

An Act declaring mortgages on growing and unharvested crops to be against the public policy of this state, and abolishing the same.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. That the people of this state hereby declare that mortgages on growing and unharvested crops have become and are a public nuisance and are a menace to the public health, welfare and well-being of the people of this state, and therefore against the public policy of this state.

§ 2. That all mortgages on growing and unharvested crops are abolished, and that any and all mortgages on growing and unharvested crops hereafter taken shall be held null and void and of no effect.

§ 3. That all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 102149 to 98135.

COUNTY OFFICERS SALARY REDUCTION

An Act reducing and fixing the salaries of the following county officials hereafter elected: Auditor, Treasurer, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, Register of Deeds, County Judge, State's Attorney, and Clerk of District Court, and providing for the appointment of certain deputies, clerks and assistants to such officials and fixing their salaries, and for payment of all fees to the county, and fixing the per diem and mileage of County Commissioners and repealing Section 3551a2, 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of 1913, Chapters 114 and 115 of the Laws of 1927, Chapter 108 of the Laws of 1929, Chapter 117 of the Laws of 1931, and all Acts and parts of Acts so far as in conflict herewith.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. The salary of the County Auditor, County Treasurer, Sheriff, County Superintendent of Schools, Register of Deeds, County Judge, States Attorney and Clerk of District Court shall be regulated by the population in the respective counties according to the last preceding official state or federal census from and after the date when the official report of such census shall have been published by the director of the census or such other official as may be charged with the duty of making such official publication.

§ 2. County Auditors, County Treasurers, Sheriffs and County Superintendents of Schools shall receive the following annual salaries, payable monthly, and no more, for the official services rendered by them: Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00) in counties having a population not exceeding five thousand (5,000); Thirteen Hundred Dollars (\$1300.00) in counties having a population exceeding five thousand (5,000) and not exceeding seven thousand

(7,000); Fourteen Hundred Dollars (\$1400.00) in counties having a population of seven thousand (7,000) and not exceeding eight thousand (8,000); provided, further, that in counties having a population in excess of eight thousand (8,000), there shall be an additional compensation of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each one thousand (1,000) additional population, or major fraction thereof, and, provided, further, that in no case shall the maximum salary and compensation of said County officials exceed the sum of Twenty-four Hundred Dollars (\$2400.00) per annum.

§ 3. Registers of Deeds, County Judges and Clerks of District Courts shall receive the following annual salary, payable monthly, and no more, for all official services rendered by them: Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00) in all counties having a population of five thousand (5,000) or less; Thirteen Hundred Dollars (\$1300.00) in all counties having a population of not to exceed seven thousand (7,000); in counties having a population in excess of seven thousand (7,000), an additional compensation of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each additional thousand in population or major fraction thereof; provided, however, that in no case shall such salary and compensation exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per annum; and provided further, that the aforesaid salary of County Judges shall not apply in counties having increased jurisdiction; provided further, that in counties having a population of over seventeen thousand (17,000) the County Commissioners shall appoint an assistant States Attorney or Clerk with a salary of not less than Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) per annum, and in counties having a population of less than seventeen thousand (17,000), the County Commissioners may appoint an assistant States Attorney or Clerk, whose salary shall be fixed by the County Commissioners.

§ 4. The States Attorney in each county shall receive the same salary as is herein, or as may hereafter be fixed by law, as the salary of the County Auditor of such county.

§ 5. County Commissioners shall be allowed the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per day and the actual amount necessarily expended by them for expense of travel in the performance of official duty, not exceeding the sum of Seven Cents (7c) per mile actually and necessarily travelled by motor vehicle or team, when such motor vehicle or team is not owned by the county or other political subdivision, and not exceeding the sum of Five Cents (5c) for each mile actually and necessarily travelled in the performance of official duty, when such travel is by rail or other common carrier, provided, however, that in counties having a population of nine thousand (9,000) or less, the total compensation and expenses received by any member of the board of County Commissioners shall not exceed the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$650.00) per annum.

§ 6. In counties where the County Court has increased juris-

diction and where the county has a population exceeding forty thousand (40,000), the salary of the County Auditor, County Treasurer, Sheriff, County Judge, Superintendent of Schools and States Attorney shall be Twenty-four Hundred Dollars (\$2400.00) per year, and the salary of the Register of Deeds and Clerk of the District Court shall be Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year.

§ 7. In counties where the County Court has increased jurisdiction and where the county has a population exceeding forty thousand (40,000), the number of deputies, clerks and assistants of all county officials named in this Act and the salaries of such deputies, clerks and assistants, shall be fixed from time to time, and according to the volume of business of such offices, by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners.

§ 8. The salaries fixed by this act shall be full compensation for all said officials, deputies, clerks and assistants respectively, and all fees and compensation received for any act or service rendered in official capacity, shall be accounted for and paid over by them monthly to the County Treasurer and be credited to the general fund of said county.

§ 9. As to the salaries of elective County officials this Act shall take effect and be in force upon their election and qualification hereafter. As to all other salaries this Act shall take effect and be in force on and after August 1st, 1932.

§ 10. Section 3551a2, 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws 1913, Chapters 114 and 115 Laws of 1927, Chapter 108 Laws of 1929, Chapter 117 Laws of 1931, and all Acts and parts of Acts so far as in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Approved, June 29, 1932. 144715 to 55459.

REDUCTION LEGAL NOTICE FEES

An Act to amend and re-enact Section 3540 of the 1925 Supplement to the North Dakota Compiled Laws of 1913, relating to the fees to be paid to newspapers for the publication of all legal notices and publications.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. That Section 3540 of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of 1913, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 2. The fees to be paid to newspapers for the publication of all notices and publications that are now required or hereafter may be required by law to be published by the County Commissioners or any county officer; all summons, citations, notices, orders and other documents, proceedings or processes in actions or proceedings

in the Supreme, District, County or Justice Courts of the state, which are or hereafter may be required by law to be published; all publications of every nature that are now or hereafter may be required to be published by state officers, elective or appointive; all notices of foreclosure of real estate and chattel mortgages or other liens on real estate or personal property foreclosed by advertisement; all notices and publications required to be published by cities, villages, townships, school districts and other political subdivisions of the state or by any officer thereof; and all legal notices and legal publications of whatever kind or character required by law to be published shall be as follows: Seven Cents (7c) per counted line of nonpareil or six point type for the first insertion and four cents (4c) per line of non-pareil or six point type for each subsequent insertion; or five cents (5c) per counted line of brevier or eight point type for the first insertion and three cents (3c) per line of brevier or eight point type for each subsequent insertion. All tabulated matter, leader work or work containing one column of figures shall be figured at one and one-half times the rate for straight matter on first publication, and all tabulated matter with two or more columns of figures shall be computed at double the rate for straight matter on first publication. A line shall be construed to mean twelve to thirteen ems pica, or twelve point type, in length. Wherever possible, all such legal notices and publications shall be set in single column.

§ 3. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 160399 to 66776.

SHORTENING DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX SALE NOTICE

An Act prescribing the manner and method of giving notice of sales of lands for delinquent taxes and for filing and posting lists of the names of owners and descriptions of such lands in the office of the County Auditor and posting such lists in other public places in the County and making it a misdemeanor to destroy or remove such lists and fixing the time for holding such sales, and repealing Chapter 322 Laws of 1923, being Section 2189 of 1925 Supplement to Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913, and other Laws insofar as in conflict herewith.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. At least twenty days before the second Tuesday in December of each year the County Auditor of each County shall prepare a list of all delinquent real estate taxes and shall post or cause to be posted one copy thereof in a conspicuous place in his office and one copy thereof in each of at least four conspicuous public places, such as banks, public halls or postoffices, in different parts of his County, and shall retain a copy of such list which shall at all times be on file and open to public inspection in his office. All such

lists shall be signed and certified to by the County Auditor. Such lists shall contain the name of the owner of each lot or tract, as by the records appear, the description of such lot or tract, and the total amount of tax and penalty due, in which amount as so given shall be included by the County Auditor the sum of 15c as the cost and expense of advertising each such lot or tract. It shall be the duty of the County Treasurer between the first day of November and the 15th day of November prior to the date of the sale in this Act provided for, to mail to each owner of any lot or tract of land subject to sale at the delinquent tax sale herein provided for, a notice giving the legal description of such lot or tract to be offered for sale and stating that such lot or tract will be sold for delinquent taxes unless such delinquent tax with penalty, interest and cost of advertising be paid prior to said sale. Such delinquent tax list as posted and filed shall be typewritten and whenever practical the description as to township, range, addition, subdivision and block shall be set as a subheading preceding the description of tracts and lots in such township, range, addition, subdivision or block so as to preclude the necessity of the township, range, addition, subdivision or block being typed or written separately as a part of each description. Tracts and lots shall be, as far as practical, described in such list, as to township, range, section, parts of section, subdivision, addition, block and lot, by the use of the abbreviations, initial letters, figures, etc., declared to be legal in the matter of the sale of land for taxes by Section 2215 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913 as amended by Chapter 1 of the Laws of North Dakota for the year 1915, it being Section 2215, 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913. A statement of the abbreviations, initial letters and numbers so used with the meaning thereof in such list shall precede the posted lists of lands upon which taxes are delinquent, as shall a statement that the figures given under the heading "TOTAL AMOUNT," represent the amount of all taxes and special assessments delinquent for such year, together with interest, penalty and cost of advertising the same. Only such total amount as so due upon each of the several descriptions shall be included in such list.

§ 2. The County Auditor shall give notice of the delinquent real estate tax sale in the official newspaper of the County. Such delinquent tax sale notice shall be published in such paper once a week for two successive weeks, the first publication of such notice to be made at least fourteen days prior to the date of such sale, and such notice as published shall be signed by the County Auditor. It shall contain the information that all lands upon which taxes for the preceding year remain unpaid will be sold, and shall state the time and place of such sale, which sale shall be held on the second Tuesday in December of each year. Such notice shall not contain the name of the owner of any lot or tract nor the description thereof, but it shall state that a list of all lands subject to such sale is on file

and may be examined at the office of the County Auditor of the County and that a copy of such list with names of the owners and descriptions of the lands or tracts involved and the total amount of taxes and penalty due on each such tract (in which shall be included the sum of 15c as the cost and expense of advertising each such lot or tract) has been posted in the office of the County Auditor and in four or more public places in the County and shall give the name and location of each such place. The land and lots shall be offered for sale by the County Auditor or his deputy in the order in which they appear in such list.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of the County Auditor to maintain such list as so posted in his office from the date of such posting until the conclusion of the sale of lands for the year; and any person who destroys or removes any list from the place where posted between the date of posting and the conclusion of the sale referred to, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

§ 4. The removal or destruction of any list posted as herein provided, shall not render any sale of lands therein described invalid.

§ 5. The lists herein referred to may be posted by the County Auditor or his deputy or any employee of his office or by the Sheriff or any Deputy Sheriff of the County, and proof of such posting shall be made and preserved by affidavit showing the fact, time and the places of posting such lists made by the party or parties posting the same and filed in the office of the County Auditor before the date of the tax sale referred to, and proof of the publication of the notice of tax sale shall be made by affidavit filed with the County Auditor before the date of sale to which it relates.

§ 6. Chapter 322 of the laws of North Dakota for the year 1923 being Section 2189 of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913, and all other Acts and parts of Acts insofar as in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

§ 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the 8th day of November A. D. 1932 and shall apply to all delinquent tax sales for the year A. D. 1932 and subsequent years.

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 127095 to 89195.

REDUCTION SALARIES JUDGES DISTRICT COURT

An Act amending and re-enacting Section 9 of Chapter 167 of the Laws of North Dakota for 1919 being Section 769a9 of the 1925 Supplement to Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913, and reducing the annual salary of each District Judge, hereafter appointed or whose term of office commences after this Act takes effect, from \$4,000.00 to \$3,500.00 per year and providing for the payment of his actual traveling expenses and subsistence while holding Court inside his own district but outside the county in which he resides and the time when such payments shall be made.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

Section 9 of Chapter 167 of the Laws of North Dakota for 1919 being Section 769a9 of 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 769a9. Each District Judge of this State hereafter appointed or whose term of office commences after this Act takes effect shall receive an annual salary of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) and his actual travelling expenses which shall include subsistence while holding Court inside his own District but outside the County in which he resides, which salary and expenses shall be payable monthly in the manner now provided by law for the payment of Judge's salaries.

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 176044 to 54451.

REDUCTION SALARIES JUDGES SUPREME COURT

An Act amending and re-enacting Section I, Chapter 224 Laws of 1917 it being Section 719, 1925 Supplement to Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913 and reducing the annual salary of each Judge of the Supreme Court hereafter appointed or whose term of office commences after this Act takes effect from Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5500.00) to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00) per year.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

Section I of Chapter 224 of the Laws of 1917 it being Section 719 of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota 1913 is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 719. Each Judge of the Supreme Court hereafter appointed or whose term of office commences after this Act takes effect, shall receive an annual salary of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00).

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 179662 to 52521.

REDUCTION SALARIES STATE OFFICIALS, ETC.

An Act reducing and fixing the salaries or compensation of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor and each Commissioner of Railroads, to be elected at the general election to be held November 8, 1932, and all subsequent elections, and reducing and fixing the salaries or compensation of all appointive state officials and members of all appointive state boards, bureaus and commissions provided for by law, and reducing and fixing the salaries or compensation of all deputies, assistants, secretaries, clerks and employees of all state officials, state boards, bureaus and commissions, defining the persons and classes of persons whose salaries are reduced or fixed, specifying the time when this act shall take effect, and repealing all acts or parts of acts insofar as they conflict herewith.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. The Governor shall receive an annual salary of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00); the Lieutenant Governor shall receive an annual salary of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00); the Attorney General shall receive an annual salary of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00); the Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor, and the Commissioner of Insurance shall each receive an annual salary of Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00); and each Commissioner of Railroads shall receive an annual salary of Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00).

§ 2. The salaries or compensation of all appointive state officials, including members of all appointive state boards, bureaus and commissions, now provided for by law, and the salaries or compensation of all deputies, assistants, secretaries, clerks and employees of all state officials, state boards, bureaus and commissions are hereby reduced and fixed as follows: The salaries or compensation of all persons mentioned in this section, which are now fixed by law, are hereby reduced and fixed at an amount equaling eighty per cent of the amount at which the salaries of such persons were paid or fixed as of the month of January, 1932, whether such salaries or compensation are fixed or computed on an annual, monthly or per diem basis; the salaries or compensation of all persons mentioned in this section which are not fixed by law shall in no event hereafter exceed an amount equaling eighty per cent of the amount at which such salaries not fixed by law were paid or computed as of the month of January, 1932, whether such salaries or compensation are fixed or computed on an annual, monthly or per diem basis, and until otherwise changed by the proper authority such salaries are hereby fixed at eighty per cent of the amount computed or paid as of the month of January, 1932; provided, that the salary or compensation of no deputy, assistant, secretary, clerk or employee shall exceed the salary or compensation of the state officer or member

of the state board, bureau or commission by or under whom such deputy, assistant, secretary, clerk or employee is employed or acts; and provided further that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed as prohibiting or preventing the legislature from abolishing or consolidating any or all Offices, Boards, Bureaus or Commissions now provided for by law or from eliminating the provision of any law fixing the amount of salary or compensation of any official, member of any Board, Bureau or Commission, or any deputy, assistant, secretary, clerk or employee, or from reducing below the amounts provided by this Act the salary or compensation of any person or persons.

§ 3. The terms elected and elective state officials shall include all state officials specified in Section 1 hereof. The terms appointed or appointive state officials and members of appointive state boards, bureaus and commissions and the terms deputies, assistants, secretaries, clerks and employees shall include all such persons whose office or employment is held by virtue of any appointment or employment however made, other than an election by the voters of the state, whether or not such office or employment is created by an act of the Legislature.

§ 4. In the event any section or portion of this act should be held invalid or inapplicable to any person or class of persons, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining sections or portions or the application of the provisions of this act to any other persons or classes of persons.

§ 5. As to the salaries and compensation of elective state officials, this act shall apply to all elected at the general election to be held in November, 1932, and at all subsequent elections. As to the salaries and compensation of all other persons than elective state officials, this act shall take effect and be in force on and after December 1, 1932.

§ 6. All salaries provided in this act shall be full compensation for all official services, and all fees received or charged by any such official or person for any act or service rendered in any official capacity shall be accounted for and paid over by them monthly to the State Treasurer and be credited to the general fund of the state.

§ 7. All acts and parts of acts insofar as they are in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 166871 to 60269.

ABOLISHING STATE TAX SUPERVISOR

An Act to repeal Chapter 69 of the Laws passed by the special session of the 16th Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota begun the 25th day of November, A. D. 1919 and concluding the 11th day of December, 1919, the same being Sections 2092d1 to 2092d5 both inclusive, of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota, 1913, and abolishing the office of Tax Supervisor.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Chapter 69 of the Laws passed by the special session of the 16th Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota begun and held at Bismarck the 25th day of November A. D. 1919 and concluding the 11th day of December 1919, the same being Section 2092d1 to 2092d5, both inclusive, of the 1925 Supplement to the Compiled Laws of North Dakota, 1913, is hereby repealed and the office of Tax Supervisor is hereby abolished.

§ 2. Within five days after this act takes effect each Tax Supervisor of this State shall deposit with the State Tax Commissioner all records, files and data belonging to or pertaining to his office as such Tax Supervisor.

§ 3. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after the 1st day of December A. D. 1932.

Approved, Nov. 8, 1932. 154662 to 60096.

ABSENT VOTERS BALLOT

An Act to amend Chapter 136 of the 1931 Session Laws of the State of North Dakota.

Disapproved, March 15, 1932. 76135 to 65707.

FIVE YEAR MORATORIUM

A Measure providing for a five year partial moratorium.

Disapproved, June 29, 1932. 111745 to 92266.

THREE YEAR MORATORIUM

A measure providing for a three year partial moratorium.

Disapproved, Nov. 8, 1932. 142562 to 103156.

PERMITTING CROP MORTGAGES

An Act permitting the mortgaging of crops, providing certain restrictions with reference thereto, and repealing all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.

Disapproved, Nov. 8, 1932. 123566 to 111198.