CHAPTER 130

S. B. No. 86—(Committee on Ways and Means)

VERIFICATION OF CASH IN THE HANDS OF COUNTY TREASURER

- An Act requiring verification of cash and bank balances in hands of County Treasurer, and repealing all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. Verification of Cash.] It is hereby made the duty of each county auditor in the State to verify by actual count at least once each month, all cash or cash items in the hands of the County Treasurer and to reconcile as of the same date the bank balances as shown by the records of the respective depositories with the ledger accounts kept by the Treasurer.
- § 2. REPEAL.] All Acts or parts of Acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved March 5, 1943.

CRIME

CHAPTER 131

H. B. No. 235—(Bergesen)

ABANDONMENT OR NONSUPPORT OF CHILD

- An Act making it a criminal offense for a parent or other person legally responsible for the care or support of a child to abandon such child; providing for penalty; repealing all Acts in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § I. ABANDONMENT OR NONSUPPORT OF CHILD.] Every parent or other person legally responsible for the care or support of a child who is under the age of sixteen years and unable to support himself by lawful employment who wholly abandons such child or willfully fails to furnish food, shelter, clothing, and medical attention

reasonably necessary and sufficient to keep the child's life from danger and discomfort and his health from injury, is guilty of a felony. The fact, if it be a fact, that either parent may have secured a decree of divorce awarding the custody of such child shall in no manner relieve either parent from the requirements and penalty of this Act, except that compliance with the terms of such decree for support of such child shall be deemed a compliance herewith.

§ 2. [EMERGENCY.] This Act is hereby declared to be an emergency and shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 6, 1943.

CHAPTER 132

H. B. No. 153-(Nelson, Wolf of Morton, and Starck)

SEXUAL INTERCOURSE WITH FEMALE INMATE, WARD, OR PAUPER, FELONY

- An Act Amending and Re-enacting Section 9577 of the Compiled Laws for 1913 making it a felony for an official or an employee in any penal, correctional or eleemosynary institution to have sexual intercourse with an inmate of such institution in which such officer or other person is employed; making it a felony for a guardian or person administering public relief or welfare to induce a female ward under his care to have illicit sexual intercourse with him, by threatening to withhold from such female or her family, the necessities of life, or threatening physical violence; providing penalty.
- Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:
- § 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 9577 of the Compiled Laws for 1913 be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:
- § 9577. Sexual Intercourse With Female Inmate, Ward, or Pauper, Felony. Penalty.] Every male person who has illicit sexual intercourse with any female person who is an inmate in any penal, correctional or eleemosynary institution in this state, and every person, who, when guardian of a minor or when administering public relief or welfare, has illicit sexual intercourse with a female who is a ward or pauper under his care, or who is in a position where she receives the necessities of life through or from him, or upon his recommendation, is guilty of a felony, and upon conviction, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term of not less than one, nor more than fifteen years.

Approved March 18, 1943.