

# TEXT BOOKS.

## CHAPTER 109.

[S. B. No. 132.]

### PROVIDING FOR FREE TEXT BOOKS.

AN ACT to Provide for Free Text Books and School Supplies for the Use of the Pupils in the Public Schools of North Dakota.

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

§ 1. POWER OF SCHOOL BOARDS.] The school board of any city, town or district in the State of North Dakota is hereby authorized and empowered to select, adopt or contract for the text books and other supplies needful for the use of the school or schools under its charge; and the said board shall have power to purchase the text books selected or contracted for, and provide for the loan, free of charge, or sale at cost, of such text books to the pupils in attendance at such schools or school, as provided for in Section 2 of this act.

§ 2. PROPOSITION SUBMITTED TO ELECTORS.] Upon the petition of a majority of the qualified electors the school board of any city, town or district, shall submit at the next annual school election to the legal voters thereof the question of providing free text books and other school supplies for the use of the pupils attending the schools under its charge. In case a majority of the legal voters present and voting shall vote in favor of free text books and other school supplies, the school boards of such city, town or district so voting shall purchase, at the expense of such city, town or district, text books and other school supplies used in the public or common schools, and said text books and supplies shall be loaned to the pupils of said public schools, free of charge, subject to such rules and regulations as to care and custody as the said school board may prescribe.

§ 3. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, An emergency exists in that the next annual school election occurs prior to July 1st, 1895; *Therefore*, This act shall be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 18, 1895.