

§ 16. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.
Approved March 8, 1899.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

CHAPTER 94.

[S. B. 131.]

PROVIDING FOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

AN ACT Providing for a Geological Survey of North Dakota.

Whereas, Recognizing the vast importance to a commonwealth of the development of its mineral resources, the United States government has granted to the State of North Dakota several thousands of acres of land, and

Whereas, In accepting this grant from the government the state has appointed a state geologist to make investigations and to aid in the development of these resources but has never provided means with which to carry on this work, and

Whereas, In order to show the good faith of this state to the federal government in accepting this land grant and in order to make known the mineral resources of the state that capital may be induced to develop the same, the state geologist is hereby directed to begin a careful geological survey of various parts of the state, and to publish whatever reports may be needed to bring to the attention of the public the mineral resources of North Dakota;

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

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) biennially to meet the expenses of traveling and other necessary expenses connected with a geological survey of the state in accordance with a previous act providing for a geological survey.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas*, an emergency exists inasmuch as there are no funds with which to begin this work; therefore, this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved February 24, 1899.