

NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS.

CHAPTER 138.

[H. B. No. 291—Stevens of Burleigh.]

NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT ACT REPEALED.

AN ACT Repealing Chapter 88 of the Revised Codes of 1899, Relating to Negotiable Instruments in General.

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

§ I. REPEAL. EXCEPTIONS.] Chapter 88 of the revised codes of 1899, relating to negotiable instruments, is hereby repealed; provided, that all actions that are now pending under the provisions of said chapter shall in no manner be affected by this repeal.

Approved March 11, 1905.

NEWSPAPERS.

CHAPTER 139.

[H. B. No. 201—Streeter.]

LEGAL NEWSPAPERS.

AN ACT to Amend Section 1804 of the Revised Codes Prescribing the Requirements of Newspapers Qualified to Do Legal Printing.

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

§ I. AMENDMENT.] That section 1804 of the revised codes be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1804. REQUIREMENTS OF NEWSPAPERS QUALIFIED TO DO LEGAL PRINTING. TWO COPIES OF EACH ISSUE TO BE FILED WITH STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.] Before any newspaper in this state shall be qualified to publish any legal notice, or any matter required by law to be printed or published in some newspaper in the state, or any public notices for any county, city or other municipality within this state, such newspaper must have been established at least six months, and hereafter for one year, at least one page of the same actually printed at the place designated in the date line, and have been in regular and continuous circulation during that time with a bona fide

subscription list of at least one hundred and fifty regular and continuous subscribers. Such newspaper must contain at least four pages of five columns to the page, said columns to be not less than eighteen inches in length and twelve ems pica in width, with not less than four columns of reading or news matter; or must contain eight pages of four columns to the page, or its equivalent, the columns thereof to be not less than twelve inches in length; provided, that in counties where there is no newspaper published having the above prescribed qualifications, any newspaper at the county seat of said county shall be entitled to publish such legal notices even though it may not have been established six months; provided, further, that in counties in which no newspaper is published any notices required by law to be published may be published in a newspaper printed in an adjoining county having a general circulation in said county. It shall be the duty of the owner or publisher of every legal newspaper in the state to send to the state historical society of North Dakota, to such address as shall be designated by the secretary thereof, two copies of each issue of such newspaper.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists in that it is desirable that the state historical society shall be furnished with files of all state publications, beginning at once, therefore this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved March 11, 1905.

OFFICERS.

CHAPTER 140.

[H. B. No. 220—Johnson of Ward.]

WHEN OFFICERS SHALL QUALIFY.

AN ACT to Amend Section 354 of the Revised Codes of North Dakota, 1899, Relating to Offices and Officers, and the Qualification of Officers.

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

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That section 354 of the revised codes of North Dakota, 1899, be, and the said section is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 354. WHEN OFFICERS SHALL QUALIFY.] Except when otherwise specially provided, all state, district, county and precinct officers shall qualify on or before the first Monday in January next succeeding their election, or within ten days thereafter, and on said first Monday of January or within ten days thereafter, enter upon the discharge of the duties of their office; provided, that county auditors