

HALLS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

CHAPTER 165.

[H. B. No. 219—L. L. Twichell.]

AUTHORIZES CITIES, VILLAGES, TOWNSHIPS AND SCHOOL BOARDS TO PAY RENTALS OF HALLS USED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

AN ACT Authorizing and Empowering City Councils, City Commissioners, Village Trustees, Township Supervisors and School Boards to Pay the Rental of Halls and Auditoriums, when Used for Public Purposes, and to Provide by Taxation Therefor.

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

§ 1. AUTHORITIES MAY PAY RENTAL OF HALL AND PROVIDE FUNDS THEREFOR, BY TAXATION.] The city council, city commission, village trustees, or township supervisors, of any city, village or township, or the school board of any school district, are hereby authorized and empowered to pay the rental of any hall or auditorium when the same shall be used for any public meeting or purpose, and no charge is made for admission thereto, and may annually provide by taxation a sum sufficient for defraying any such expense for rental as they may anticipate for the coming year, *provided*, however, that this Act shall not apply to any city where there exists a public hall owned by a municipality, suitable for the purpose.

§ 2. MAY PAY RENTAL OUT OF OTHER FUNDS UNTIL TAX AVAILABLE.] Until such funds so provided shall become available, it shall be lawful for the council or city commission of any city, the trustees of any village, the supervisors of any township, or the school board of any school district, to pay out of funds on hand, not otherwise appropriated or required, such sums as they may deem a fair rental for any hall or auditorium when used for a public meeting as above provided.

§ 3. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, an emergency exists in that such officials are not now authorized or empowered to pay the rental of any hall or auditorium when used for public purposes, therefore this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 2, 1915.