

Sec. 2. VOTING DISTRICTS—HOW FORMED.) The board of county commissioners of each county in the state shall, at its first session after the taking effect of this Act, divide its county into voting districts and establish the boundaries of the same. The entirety of civil townships, cities or villages as voting districts shall be preserved when possible, except when such preservation would be in conflict with the provisions of this Act. In such case the civil township, city or village, except as hereinafter provided, shall be divided into two or more voting districts, but in no case shall a voting district be composed of parts of two civil townships, or part of a township and city or village, except as hereinafter provided. No voting district shall contain more than five hundred electors. The board of county commissioners of each county in this state shall, at its first session after the taking effect of this Act, in dividing the county into voting districts, use as a basis for determining the number of electors residing in any given territory, the total number of electors within such territory who voted at the general election held in November, 1922. If, at such election, or at any election hereafter held more than five hundred votes are cast in any voting district, it shall be the duty of the inspector in such voting district, to report such fact to the board of county commissioners, which board shall, at its next regular meeting, divide such voting district into two districts as nearly equal to each other in voting strength as may be. If, at the last election before the taking effect of this Act, more than three hundred votes were cast in any voting district in any city or village, or if, at any future election, more than three hundred votes are cast in any voting district in any city or village, the county commissioners upon request, officially expressed, of the city council or other governing body in any voting district or city or village, may divide such district into two voting districts as nearly equal to each other in voting strength as may be.

Approved February 9th, 1923.

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## FAIRS

### CHAPTER 217.

(S. B. No. 70—Bond.)

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#### NORTH WEST AGRICULTURAL, LIVE STOCK AND FAIR ASSOCIATION.

An Act to Incorporate and Establish the North West Agricultural, Live Stock and Fair Association, and Making an Appropriation therefor.

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

Sec. 1. PURPOSE OF AND LOCATION PERMANENTLY FIXED AT MINOT.) For the purpose of promoting and improving the con-

dition of agriculture, live stock breeding, horticulture, mechanical manufacturing and household arts, a North West Agricultural, Live Stock and Fair Association Fair or exposition shall be held annually at or adjacent to the city of Minot in the state of North Dakota, subject to the conditions hereinafter named, and the location of the North West Agricultural, Live Stock and Fair Association, as herein provided, is hereby declared to be permanent.

Sec. 2. CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH BY THE WARD COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.) If the Ward County Fair Association now existing and conducting a fair at Minot, N. Dak., by proper resolution duly passed by it and approved by the County Commissioners of Ward County, to the effect that it accepts all the conditions of this act, then and in that event such Association shall become entitled to receive the appropriation hereinafter named upon the conditions set forth in this act, and therefore to be called The North West Agricultural, Live Stock and Fair Association, and this without forfeiting or otherwise affecting its rights to such county aid as may now or hereafter be provided. The said Association may acquire the title to not less than seventy acres of land at or adjacent to the city of Minot in said state, and such Association may, and it is hereby empowered and authorized, to convey the title of the land so held and acquired by it unto the State of North Dakota, which property, when so conveyed, shall be held by the State of North Dakota for the following purposes and no other: For the purpose of exhibiting thereon, under the management of such Association, or its successors, annually, the agricultural, stock breeding, horticultural, mining, mechanical, industrial and other products and resources of the State of North Dakota including proper exhibits of the arts, sciences and all other public displays pertinent to and dependent upon exhibitions and expositions of human art, industry and skill. The said Association may use such portion of its funds as may be necessary for the acquisition of title to the land so held or to be purchased by it for use as fair grounds, and the balance thereof shall be and constitute a fund towards the construction of buildings and other permanent improvements thereon.

Sec. 3. CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF GROUNDS.) The custody and control of the premises upon which said fair is located shall be vested in the North West Agricultural, Live Stock and Fair Association, and the general offices thereof shall be located and maintained either upon the premises so acquired or at some suitable place in the City of Minot, and said Association is hereby authorized, required and empowered to maintain its said offices as aforesaid wherein shall be contained the property and records of such Association, and the entire care, custody, man-

agement and control of said premises and the structures thereon shall be vested in said Association.

Sec. 4. GOVERNOR AND ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ACCEPT TITLE. FAILURE OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS, LAND REVERTS TO ORIGINAL OWNERS. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.) When the State of North Dakota accepts the title to the land so acquired by said Association, which acceptance shall be made by the Governor and Attorney General, thereupon, and not before such time, shall the deed of conveyance of said property to the state be accepted and recorded. Should the state of North Dakota cease to appropriate the sum of at least \$2,500.00 annually in connection with said fair, then the title of said premises shall revert to and become the property of the Association that transferred the same to the state; provided, further, that the state shall never become liable for any of the debts and liabilities of said Association save as appropriations shall be made therefor from time to time by the Legislative Assembly. The provisions of this article shall not become binding upon the state as to said fair association until such association shall adopt and file with the Secretary of State an irrevocable bylaw consenting to the provisions hereof and providing that its board of directors shall consist of eleven persons; and that said Association shall appoint an advisory committee consisting of the Governor, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor and State Auditor together with one resident freeholder from each judicial district of the state; which said committee is privileged to attend the meetings of the Association, and is at all times to be fully advised in regard thereto.

Sec. 5. APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.) The board of directors of said Fair Association shall appoint an executive committee consisting of five members who shall keep an accurate account of the expenditures and all monies appropriated to it by the state, and all other receipts and expenditures, and shall collect, arrange and collate all the information available in relation to the nature and preparation of soils, the cultivation and growth of crops, the breeding and management of stock, the application and character of manure and fertilizer, the introduction of new cereals and other grains, and other agricultural subjects, and report the same together with a statement of their doings and such account of their expenditures to the Governor on or prior to the first day of January of each year following the holding of a fair; such report to be audited by the Governor, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor and the State Auditor, and by the Governor laid before the Legislative Assembly. All monies hereby appropriated shall be paid over to the treasurer of the Association upon the order of the president, attested by the secretary.

Sec. 6. GENERAL APPROPRIATION.) There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,500.00 annually to be expended by and under the supervision of the directors of said association thereafter.

Sec. 7. CONDITIONS BINDING ON THE STATE.) The provisions of this article shall not become binding or effective upon the state as to such Association until the Association shall adopt a by-law expressly accepting and agreeing to all of the conditions hereof and file a certified copy of said by-law with the Secretary of State.

Approved March 2nd, 1923.

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## FARMERS' INSTITUTES

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### CHAPTER 218.

(H. B. No. 205—Larson.)

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#### FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Chapter 119 of the Session Laws of 1917, Relating to Farmers' Institutes.

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

Sec. 1. AMENDMENT.) Chapter 119 of the Session Laws of 1917 is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 1. The President of the Agricultural College, the Dean of the Department of Agriculture and the Director of the Extension Department of such College at Fargo shall constitute the Board of Directors of Farmers' Institutes. It shall be their duty to engage such lecturers as may be deemed necessary and conduct at least fifty farmers' institutes each year, the same to be of such a nature as to instruct the farmers of the state in maintaining the fertility of the soil, the production and improvement of cereal and forage crops in the state, principles of breeding as applied to domestic animals, the making and handling of dairy products, the destruction of noxious weeds and injurious insects, forestry, and the growing of various fruits, feeding and management of live stock, and especially such instruction as will tend to promote the best marketing conditions, home life, and comfort of the farming population.

They shall be allowed in addition to their regular salary their actual and necessary traveling expenses when engaged upon