

CHAPTER 121.

BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

S. F. 808.

AN ACT to amend section two thousand six hundred twenty-five (2625) of the code relative to superintendent of public instruction and his reports.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Biennial report. Section two thousand six hundred twenty-five (2625) of the code is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

"Provided, however, that he shall make a report during the year 1906, which said report shall cover the period only from the date of his last biennial report, and shall report to the governor biennially thereafter."

Approved March 30, A. D. 1906.

CHAPTER 122.

THE QUALIFICATIONS OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT; THE EXAMINATION AND CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS AND THE CLASSIFICATION AND REGISTRATION OF TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES.

S. F. 80.

AN ACT to repeal sections twenty-six hundred thirty-two (2632), twenty-seven hundred thirty-four (2734), twenty-seven hundred thirty-five (2735), twenty-seven hundred thirty-six (2736), twenty-seven hundred thirty-seven (2737) of the code, and sections twenty-seven hundred thirty-four (2734), twenty-seven hundred thirty-six (2736), twenty-seven hundred thirty-seven (2737), of the supplement to the code, and to define the qualifications of county superintendents; to provide for the examination and certification of teachers for the public schools; the classification of teachers' certificates, and the registration of the same.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Repealed. There is hereby repealed sections twenty-six hundred thirty-two (2632), twenty-seven hundred thirty-four (2734), twenty-seven hundred thirty-five (2735), twenty-seven hundred thirty-six (2736), twenty-seven hundred thirty-seven (2737) of the code, and sections twenty-seven hundred thirty-four (2734), twenty-seven hundred thirty-six (2736), twenty-seven hundred thirty-seven (2737) of the supplement to the code, and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

SEC. 2. County superintendent—qualifications—deputy. The county superintendent, who may be of either sex, shall be the holder of a first grade certificate as provided for in this act, or of a state certificate or a life diploma and shall, during his term, be ineligible to the office of school director or member of the board of supervisors. If for any cause he is unable to attend to his official duties, he may appoint a deputy, who may act in his stead, except in visiting schools and trying appeals. He shall serve as the organ of communication between the superintendent of public instruction and school township, district or independent district authorities, and transmit to them or the teachers thereof all blanks, circulars or other communications designed for them. He shall visit the different schools in his county at least once during the school year and at such other times as he may be requested by a majority of the directors of any school corporation, and give personal instruction to the pupils for at least one fourth of the day. The county superintendent shall on the first Monday of each month file with the county auditor an itemized and sworn statement of actual traveling expenses incurred during the previous month in visiting schools and in attending educational

meetings within his county, and such expenses shall be paid by the county board of supervisors, but the total amount paid for any month shall not be more than twenty dollars.

SEC. 3. Examinations. On the last Friday and Wednesday and Thursday preceding in the months of January, June, July and October, the county superintendent shall meet and, with such assistants as may be necessary, examine all applicants for a teacher's certificate. Such examinations shall be held at the county seat, in a suitable room which shall be provided for that purpose by the board of supervisors; but the county superintendent may at his discretion cause to be held at the time of any regular examination an additional examination at some other place in the county. The questions used in such examinations shall be furnished by the educational board of examiners, who shall cause the same to be printed, and the examinations shall be conducted strictly under rules prescribed by the board.

SEC. 4. Subjects. The examination for the first grade certificate shall include competency in and ability to teach orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, grammar, history of the United States, didactics, elementary civics, elementary algebra, political economy, elementary economics, elementary physics, elements of vocal music, physiology and hygiene, which in each division of the subject shall include special reference to the effects of alcohol, stimulants and narcotics upon the human system.

SEC. 5. Special certificates. That a special certificate may be issued for any subject, or any group of subjects, taught in the public schools of Iowa, under such regulations as the board of examiners may adopt. A special certificate shall be issued for a term of three years and shall be renewable under the same conditions as apply to the renewal of first grade certificates. It shall state the names of the subjects for which it is issued, and shall not be valid for the teaching of any other subjects.

SEC. 6. Record kept. A record shall be kept by the county superintendent of all examinations taken within his county, with the name, age and residence of each applicant, and the date of the examination.

SEC. 7. First grade certificate—renewal. Applicants who have taught successfully for at least thirty-six weeks, or who have completed a course of study in an approved college or normal school and whose examination entitles them to the first grade certificate, shall receive the same for a term of three years from the date thereof, and such certificates shall be renewable without examination provided the applicants shall show by examination or otherwise that at least one line of professional inquiry has been successfully conducted during the life of the certificate, it being made the duty of the board to forward with each certificate subject to renewal, outlines setting forth various lines of professional study. It is provided further that each application for renewal shall be accompanied by such proof of successful experience and professional spirit as the educational board of examiners may require.

SEC. 8. Second grade certificate—renewal. Applicants whose examination entitles them to the second grade certificate only, shall receive the same for not to exceed two years, with the privilege of one renewal without further examination, under the same rules as govern the renewal of first grade certificates.

SEC. 9. Third grade certificate. Applicants whose examination entitles them to the third grade certificate only, shall receive the same for six months, provided that the county superintendent may at his option extend such certificate to the first day of the July following its issue. A third grade certificate shall not be renewed and not more than two such certificates shall be issued to the same person.

SEC. 10. Applicants without experience. Applicants who have had no experience in teaching, but whose examination entitles them to the first grade, shall receive a second grade certificate for two years, provided that when they have taught successfully under such certificate for not less than thirty-six weeks, they shall be entitled to receive a first grade certificate on the conditions herein provided for a renewal of a certificate.

SEC. 11. Certificates renewed—conditions. Any person who has held a first grade certificate or a special certificate in any county of this state for one or more years prior to the taking effect of this act, may have the same renewed by the board of examiners, provided said person has taught continuously during the preceding school year, and provided further, that the members of the school board of the school corporation and the county superintendent of the county where such person has been employed and, if in a graded school, the principal or superintendent under whom such person has taught, certify to the success of the applicant in teaching and in government, and unite in recommending the applicant as a teacher of efficiency, scholarship and professional spirit. Under like recommendations the holders of second grade certificates with first grade per cents may have such credit given in lieu of the examination as the board may determine.

SEC. 12. Qualifications of applicants. Before admitting any one to the examination, the county superintendent must be satisfied that the person seeking a certificate is of good moral character, of which fact he may require proof, and is in all respects other than in scholarship possessed of the necessary qualifications as an instructor.

SEC. 13. Examination papers graded—certificates issued. As soon as the examination is completed the county superintendent shall forward to the superintendent of public instruction, a list of all applicants examined, with the standings of each in didactics and oral reading, and his estimate of each applicant's personality and general fitness, other than scholarship, for the work of teaching. He shall at the same time forward to the superintendent of public instruction the answer papers written, with the exception of those in didactics. Under the supervision of the educational board of examiners, the paper[s] shall be graded and the scholastic qualifications determined. The result of such examination of persons who pass the same shall be entered upon a certificate provided by such board, and shall be transmitted to the county superintendent of the county in which the person entitled thereto resides.

SEC. 14. Competent readers—clerical help. Immediately following each examination authorized by this act, the board of examiners shall call to their assistance a sufficient number of competent readers previously selected by the board, ten of whom shall be county superintendents. The county superintendents so chosen shall be known as head readers and shall also constitute a review board in cases of doubt. They shall also make a list of applicants from each county, nearest the passing mark for a third grade certificate. The head readers shall receive necessary traveling expenses only. All other readers shall receive actual traveling expenses to and from the capitol and not to exceed fifty cents an hour for time actually employed in reading and marking answer papers. Such additional clerical help as may be required may be employed by the board at not to exceed thirty cents per hour for time actually employed.

SEC. 15. Expenditures certified and paid. All expenditures authorized by this act shall be certified by the superintendent of public instruction to the executive council, who shall cause the auditor of the state to draw warrants therefor upon the treasurer of state, but not to exceed the fees paid into the treasury under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 16. Application fee. Each applicant for a certificate shall pay a fee of one dollar, one-half of which shall be paid into the state treasury on

or before the first day of the succeeding month, and one-half shall be paid into the county institute fund.

SEC. 17. Registration fee. No person shall teach in any public school in this state whose certificate has not been registered with the county superintendent of the county in which such school is located. A registration fee of one dollar shall be charged for each year, or part of the year, for which the certificate or diploma is registered. All registration fees shall be paid into the county institute fund.

SEC. 18. Third grade certificates, when not to be registered. In case a sufficient number of life diplomas, state certificates, first grade certificates, special certificates and second grade certificates are held in any county to supply the schools thereof, it shall not be incumbent on the county superintendent to register third grade certificates.

SEC. 19. Special examination—provisional certificates. When a sufficient number of licensed teachers cannot be secured to fill the schools of any county, the board of examiners may, upon the request of the county superintendent, appoint a special examination for such county to be conducted in all respects as a regular examination and the answer papers to be forwarded to the president of the board as required in regular examinations, and thereupon provisional certificates may be issued by the educational board of examiners.

SEC. 20. Certificates, where valid—revocation. All certificates provided for in this act shall be valid in any county within the state, when registered in such county, but a provisional certificate shall be valid, upon registration, only in the county in which it is issued and shall be issued for the same time and subject to the same extension as a third grade certificate, but no person shall be entitled to receive more than one provisional certificate, except upon the approval of the county superintendent. Any certificate or diploma issued by the board may be revoked for any cause which would have authorized or required a refusal to grant the same, or in case the holder thereof violates any of the provisions of this act.

SEC. 21. Revocation of certificate—charges—trial—appeal. When in the judgment of the county superintendent there is probable cause for the revocation of a certificate or diploma held by any teacher employed in his county, or when charges are preferred, supported by affidavits charging incompetency, immorality, intemperance, cruelty or general neglect of the business of the school, the county superintendent shall within ten days transmit to such person a written statement of the charges preferred and set the time and place for the hearing of the same, at which trial the teacher shall be privileged to be present and make defense. If in the judgment of the county superintendent there is sufficient grounds for the revocation of the certificate or diploma, he shall at once issue in duplicate an order revoking the certificate or diploma, and the same shall become operative, and of full force and effect ten days after the date of its issue, one copy of the order to be mailed to the holder of the certificate and the other to be mailed to the superintendent of public instruction. Provided that the person aggrieved by such order shall have the right to appeal to the superintendent of public instruction within ten days from the date of such mailing and in case of appeal the revocation shall not be effective until the same is affirmed, after full hearing, by the superintendent of public instruction. Provided further, that in the case of life diplomas or state certificates of what ever class, the revocation shall not be effective until affirmed by the educational board of examiners after full review by said board.

SEC. 22. List of persons holding certificates and attending normal institute. The county superintendent shall annually, on the first Monday of September, file with the president of the educational board of examiners a list of all persons who for the preceding year have held

certificates and have attended the normal institute, with the number of days attendance of each. A similar report of summer school attendance shall be secured by the president of the board. In any subsequent examination or renewal the board may give such credit for institute or summer school attendance as it may determine, any rule adopted to apply equally to all similar cases.

SEC. 23. **In effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force on and after October 1, 1906.

Approved April 5, A. D. 1906.

CHAPTER 123.

BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

S. F. 801.

AN ACT to amend section two thousand six hundred forty-one (2641) of the code, relative to the reports of the state university.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Biennial report.** Section two thousand six hundred forty-one (2641) of the code is hereby amended by striking from the eighth line thereof the word "odd-numbered", and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "even-numbered".

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CHAPTER 124

PROVIDING FOR A NEW COURSE OF STUDY AT STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS.

H. F. 880.

AN ACT to provide for the establishment of a course of practical and scientific instruction and investigation in the art of clay working and ceramics including the manufacture and use of cements and allied industries in the Iowa state college of agriculture and mechanic arts. [Additional to chapter four (4) of title thirteen (XIII) of the code, relating to the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts.]

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Department of ceramics.** That the trustees of the Iowa state college [of agriculture] and mechanic arts be, and they are hereby required to establish in said college a department of ceramics for the technical and practical education of clay workers, cement manufacturers and users and other allied pursuits in all branches of those arts which exist in this state or which can be profitably introduced and maintained in this state from the mineral resources thereof; including the geology and properties of clays, cement materials, fuels, and other minerals required, and the testing of the products thereof; also the manufacture of fire brick, pressed brick, paving brick and of glazed and enameled brick of all kinds, of sewer pipe, drain tile, fire proofing and terra cotta, of pottery, porcelain, china, and other specialties; also including the details of the manufacture and uses of cement and the details of other allied industries.

SEC. 2. **Investigation of clays, cement materials and mineral products.** Be it further enacted, that the said college shall provide as a part of its engineering experiment station work for the investigation of clays, cement materials, fuels, and other mineral resources of the state with especial reference to their economic uses, and for the publication and dissemination of information useful to such industries and for the testing the products thereof.

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