

## CHAPTER 4.

GOVERNOR MAY DIRECT ATTORNEY GENERAL TO APPEAR FOR COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS IN CERTAIN CASES.

H. F. 517.

AN ACT to authorize the governor to direct the attorney general to appear in certain cases, for and on behalf of the counties, cities, towns, and other municipalities and officers and contractors thereof and to employ additional legal assistance in such cases and providing for payment therefor. [Additional to chapter one (1), title two (II) of the code relating to the executive department.]

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

**SECTION 1. Validity of patents on bridge or culvert construction involved—how paid.** The governor, whenever he deems such action to be in the interest of the public, shall have power to direct the attorney general to appear for and on behalf of any county, city, town or other municipality of this state or for and on behalf of any officer thereof or contractor therewith, whenever any such county, city, town or other municipality or officer or contractor is a party to any action or proceeding in any court wherein is involved the validity of any alleged patent on any matter or thing entering into highway, bridge or culvert construction, or on any parts thereof, and may employ such legal assistance in addition to the attorney general as he may deem necessary and may pay for the same out of any fund in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated. Whenever the attorney general is so directed by the governor it shall be his duty to comply therewith.

**SEC. 2. In effect.** This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader, and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 16 A. D. 1913.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital April 19, 1913.

W. S. ALLEN,  
*Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 5.

SETTLEMENT OF ALL LIABILITIES OF THE STATE GROWING OUT OF SALE OF CERTAIN SCHOOL LANDS.

H. F. 564.

AN ACT making provisions for the settlement of all liabilities of the state growing out of the sale of certain lands of the Des Moines river, improvement grant as school lands. [Additional to section eighty-one (81) of the code, relating to the sale of certain lands.]

WHEREAS, prior to 1860 certain contracts had been entered into between school fund commissioners, acting under the directions of the superintendent of public instruction, an officer of this state, and citizens of the state, for the sale and purchase of a part of the school lands of the state, known as the 500,000 acre grant, and