- 5 editor, except that the secretary of state shall remain custodian of documents and other publications the same as of the laws.
- SEC. 10. Distribution of documents. The document editor shall biennally require the several state officers, boards, commissions, departments, institutions and societies required to make reports for pub-
- 4 lication to prepare and submit to him for approval and use a mailing
- 5 list for the several reports, which list shall include such libraries, insti-
- 6 tutions, companies, public officers and persons as have actual use for 7 the report or that request the same. To this list the state document
- 8 editor shall add such names as he finds proper, and to determine who
- 9 has actual need of the state reports, documents and publications he
- 10 shall take such steps as will advise the public generally of the reports
- published by the state and the nature of the material therein made
- 12 available.
  - SEC. 11. Assistance. The executive council shall have authority to supply the state document editor with such assistance as in its opinion may be necessary from time to time.
- 1 SEC. 12. Conflicting acts. All acts or parts of any act in conflict 2 with this act are hereby repealed in so far as they conflict with this 3 act.

Approved April 9, A. D. 1915.

## CHAPTER 112.

## MEANDERED LAKES AND LAKE BEDS.

S. F. 2.

AN ACT to repeal the law as it appears in chapter two-B (2-B) title fourteen (XIV) of the supplement to the code, 1913, relating to the drainage, sale, and leasing of meandered lake beds within the state, and for the conservation of Iowa lakes and lake beds, and to provide for an examination and classification of said lakes and a report thereon to the next general assembly.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Repeal. The law as it appears in chapter two-B 2 (2-B), title fourteen (14), of the supplement to the code, 1913, be and
- 3 the same is hereby repealed; provided, however, that this repeal shall
- 4 not apply to any lake or lake bed, which, under authority of the execu-
- 5 tive council has been already drained or in the draining of which the
- 6 sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) has been in good faith expended
- 7 or to lakes where the lake bed was, prior to January 1, 1915, sold by
- 8 the state under the provisions of said chapter, but no such excepted
- 9 lake bed shall be hereafter sold by the state or leased for more than
- 10 one year.

- SEC. 2. Inspection—reports. The highway commission shall inspect and investigate the various lakes of the state effected\* by this act and classify them into three classes as follows, to wit:
- 1. Lakes which should be preserved.

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- 5 2. Lakes which should be drained, the state retaining ownership 6 of the lake bed.
  - 3. Lakes which should be ordered drained, and the lake beds sold. Said inspection and investigation shall be made and completed prior to January 1st, 1917, and full written report made for submission to the thirty-seventh general assembly upon convening and not later than January 15th, 1917, which report shall contain the findings and recommendations of said commission covering the following matters:
    - 1. As to lakes to be preserved, a general statement as to the lake, the improvements required and the estimated cost thereof.
- 2. As to lakes to be drained, the state reserving title, a general statement as to acreage of lake bed, cost of drainage and estimated value when drained and reasons for drainage rather than preservation.
- 3. As to lakes to be drained and beds sold, a general statement as to acreage, cost of drainage, value when drained, estimated price at which same should be sold and reasons for drainage and sale rather than preservation or drainage, the state retaining title.
- SEC. 3. Engineers—expenses. The highway commission is here-1 by authorized to use any employees of the engineering department of 3 the State Agricultural College at Ames or of the engineering department of the State University of Iowa at Iowa City when such employees 4 are not in the judgment of said highway commission required at said 5 6 colleges, in making such inspection and investigation and in making 7 any surveys required in such inspection and investigation and in preparing the report above mentioned. Students of said institutions may be permitted to aid in said work. The highway commission may 8 9 appoint as chief in charge of said work, any of said employees or the 10 state engineer and any other competent employee of the state may be 11 designated to aid in said work when in the judgment of said com-12 mission not elsewhere needed and this provision shall take precedence 13 over all other provisions of law as to specific employment. When any 14 of the persons herein designated are engaged in said work at a place 15 other than at the place of regular employment, their actual expenses 16 shall be audited by the executive council and paid by the state from 17 18 the general fund.
- SEC. 4. **Publication clause**. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall become effective upon publication in the Des Moines News and the Register and Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa."

Approved April 9, A. D. 1915.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines News April 12, 1915, and in the Register and Leader April 14, 1915.

W. S. Allen, Secretary of State.

<sup>[\*</sup>Affected evidently intended.]