

## A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SCHOOL FOR THE INSTRUCTION  
AND TRAINING OF TEACHERS OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

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

SECTION 1. That a school for the special instruction and training of teachers for common  
2 schools of this state is hereby established at Garden Grove in Decatur county.

SEC. 2. The school shall be under the management and control of a board of directors,  
2 consisting of six members, no two of whom shall be from the same county. They shall be  
3 elected by the general assembly, two for two years, two for four years, and two for six years;  
4 and the general assembly shall elect two members of said board every two years for the full  
5 term of six years as the terms of office of the respective classes expire. Their term of office  
6 shall commence on the first day of June following their election. No member of the board  
7 shall be a teacher in the school, or receive other compensation for his services than a reim-  
8 bursement of his actual expenses, to be certified to by him, and paid out of the state treas-  
9 ury. Any vacancy occurring in the board shall be filled by the appointment of the gov-  
10 ernor.

SEC. 3. The board shall convene at the call of the superintendent of public instruction,  
2 on or before June 15, 1882, and having each qualified according to law, shall organize by the  
3 election of a president and vice-president from their number, and a secretary and a treas-  
4 urer, who shall be persons not members of the board. The secretary shall receive such com-  
5 pensation as may be fixed by the board, not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars and  
6 actual traveling expenses. The treasurer shall receive no compensation, but shall receive  
7 reimbursement of actual expenditures.

SEC. 4. The board shall require a bond, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars, of the  
2 treasurer, with proper and sufficient sureties, conditioned for the safe keeping of funds com-  
3 ing into his hands. He shall receive and disburse all moneys hereby appropriated, and any  
4 other funds, as the board may provide. The board may require of any other officer or em-  
5 ploye, who may be authorized to receive or pay out money, a like bond.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the board, in every necessary manner, with the means at  
 2 their disposal, to provide for and carry out the object for which the school is established.  
 3 For that purpose they shall employ competent and suitable teachers and other employes.  
 4 They shall direct, use and control all the property of the state coming into their hands for  
 5 that purpose. They shall control and direct the expenditure of all moneys. They shall  
 6 make all necessary rules for the management of the school and the government thereof, and  
 7 shall provide for the admission of pupils from the several counties of the state in proportion  
 8 to their respective population, and upon the appointment of respective boards of supervisors,  
 9 or as the board may direct. They shall establish and publish uniform rules for the admission  
 10 of pupils thereto, and such rules shall provide for equal rights in said school to all the  
 11 teachers in the state, but they shall require in all cases satisfactory evidence of the good  
 12 character of the pupil. They shall also further require all pupils, upon their admission to  
 13 the school, to sign a statement of their intention in good faith to follow the business of  
 14 teaching in the schools of the state. It shall also be the duty of the board to make all pos-  
 15 sible and necessary arrangements, with the means at their disposal, for the boarding and  
 16 lodging of pupils, but the pupil shall pay the cost of the same. They shall require each  
 17 pupil to pay a fee for contingent expenses, amounting to not more than one dollar per  
 18 month. The school shall be open during such part of the year as the board shall determine,  
 19 but the sessions shall continue at least twenty-six weeks.

SEC. 6. The board of directors, provided for herein, shall take possession of the build-  
 2 ings and grounds known as the Garden Grove Normal School property—which has been  
 3 conveyed in fee simple to the State of Iowa—and open a school in said building on or  
 4 before September 10, 1882, for the use and instruction of pupils.

SEC. 7. The following sums are hereby appropriated for the maintenance thereof: For  
 2 salaries of teachers and employes, six thousand dollars; for contingent expenses, one thousand  
 3 dollars. The amount appropriated shall be paid in equal quarterly payments, commencing  
 4 September 1, 1882.

SEC. 8. The said board shall make, at the end of each school year, to the superintendent  
 2 of public instruction, a detailed report of their proceedings during the year. Their report  
 3 shall also contain the number of teachers employed in the school, with the compensation of  
 4 each; the number of pupils, classified; the amount of receipts and expenditures, and the  
 5 items thereof, with such other information and recommendations as they may deem expe-  
 6 dient; which report shall be embodied in the superintendent's report to the general as-  
 7 sembly.

SEC. 9. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force from and after  
2 its publication in the *Iowa State Register* and *Iowa State Leader*, newspapers published at  
3 Des Moines, Iowa.