

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF BINDING TWINE IN THE
STATE PRISON IN IOWA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State treasury not
2 otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), or as much
3 thereof as may be necessary for the following purposes, to wit:

Sec. 2. That the Board of Control be and is empowered to build buildings on the grounds
2 of the prison at Anamosa in accordance with their best judgment for the manufacture of
3 binding twine, and the daily capacity of the plant and machinery shall be from twenty to
4 thirty thousand (20,00 to 30,000) pounds daily, and shall buy all machinery and erect the same
5 to carry out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 3. That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State treasury not
2 otherwise appropriated, the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) after the
3 date of January 1, 1905, to stock said plant with material. Said appropriation shall be a
4 revolving appropriation and shall consist as a working capital; shall manufacture binding
5 twine and sell to the farmers of the State of Iowa at cost, including in cost, all material and
6 fifty (50) cents per day for convict labor. The price for binding twine manufactured at the
7 State Prison at Anamosa, shall be fixed by the Warden and Board of Control each year as soon
8 as practicable, and not later than March first (1st), and shall be sold only to farmers or actual
9 consumers thereof, in quantities necessary for their own use up to and including the first (1st)

10 day of May of each and every year, and shall be sold only for cash or such security as the
11 Warden or Board of Control may approve.

Sec. 4. The balance left on hand May first may be disposed of in bulk. All the twine on
2 hand on the first day of May of any year for which no order has been given by farmers or ac-
3 tual consumers, except one hundred thousand pounds(100,000)to be kept to fill subsequent direct
4 orders, may, after said date, be disposed of by the Warden or Board of Control of the State
5 Prison in bulk to any citizen of this state applying therefor, at the price fixed by the Warden
6 or Board of Control, but only on the conditions hereinafter mentioned.

Sec. 5. TERMS OF SALE IN BULK. The Warden or Board of Control shall require from any
2 such person applying to obtain such twine, a written agreement that he will resell such twine to
3 actual consumers, who desire the same for their own actual use, and that he will not sell such
4 twine in bulk to any other dealer, or attempt to evade the provisions of this act. Such person
5 shall further agree that he will so resell such twine to actual consumers at a price not greater
6 than one cent per pound above the price paid therefor, with the cost per hundred of transporta-
7 tion from the State Prison to the place of such resale added.

Sec. 6. INTEREST OF STATE IN TWINE UNTIL RESOLD ACCORDING TO TERMS. And for the pur-
2 pose of enforcing such contract, the State shall have a contingent interest in the twine so dis-
3 posed of in bulk until the same is resold as herein provided, and the title of such purchaser from
4 the State shall become complete and he be relieved of further accountability under this act, only
5 when he has fully complied with his said contract as to the manner and terms of such resale.
6 Such purchaser shall also be required by said Warden or Board of Control to keep such State
6 Prison twine separate from any other twine he may have on hand for sale, and to keep a cor-
7 rect record of the date, amount and name of purchaser on all sales thereof made by him,
8 which record shall be open at all times to any member of the Board of Control, State Prison
9 officials or the county attorney of the county of his residence.

Sec. 7. In the sale, distribution and disposition of the twine, the Warden of the State
2 Prison or Board of Control, shall apportion and divide the same throughout the several agri-
3 cultural counties of the State, as near as may be, according to the acreage therein of grain
4 requiring the use of binding twine. If any twine remains on hand unsold after July first
5 (1st) in any year, the same may be sold absolutely to the first applicant therefor.

Sec. 8. VIOLATION OF THIS ACT, HOW PUNISHED. Any wilful violation of the provisions

2 of this act on the part of said persons entering into contract with said Warden or Board of
3 Control for the sale of said binding twine, shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-
4 five (25) or more than three hundred (300) dollars.

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.