

mittee of both branches, is charged with an investigation requiring the personal attendance of witnesses for the purpose of giving testimony, or producing papers in evidence, any person may be compelled to appear before such committee, as a witness, by serving upon him, in the same manner that a subpoena is required by law to be served, in a civil case, in the District Court, an order naming the time and place he is required to appear, signed by the presiding officer of the House appointing the committee; or, if a joint committee, by the presiding officer of either House, and attested by the Secretary or Clerk of that branch of the General Assembly over which the officer presides who issues such order.

May compel attendance of witnesses—how.

SEC. 2. Witnesses shall be entitled to the same compensation, for attendance, in obedience to this Act, before an investigating committee, as provided by law for witnesses before the District Court, but shall not have the right to demand payment of their fees in advance.

Compensation.

SEC. 3. This Act shall be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Daily State Register and Iowa Daily Statesman, newspapers published in Des Moines.

Publication.

Approved January 29, 1866.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa Daily State Register on the 8th day of February, 1866, and in the Iowa Daily Statesman on the 6th day of February, 1866.

JAMES WRIGHT, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 4.

DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN LAWS.

AN ACT to provide for the early distribution of certain laws.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the State Printer be required to print in quarto sheets two thousand [2,000] copies of each Act passed by this General Assembly and published in the Iowa State Register, immediately after the publication aforesaid; and transmit the same to the Secretary of State; provided the aggregate cost of printing shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars [\$250.00].

Transmit to Sec. State.

Cost net to exceed \$250.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of State shall within ten days after the receipt of the printed sheets from the

Sec. State to distribute—how.

State Printer proceed to distribute the same by mail to the clerks of the District Courts of the several counties in the State, *pro rata*, according to population. But each county shall receive at least ten copies.

Clerk District Court—laws filed by.

SEC. 3. It is hereby made the duty of the clerks of the District Courts, of the several counties in the State to file, from time to time, as they may receive them, the printed laws in sheets, as aforesaid; five [5] copies for the use of the District Court, and the county officers; and to distribute the remaining copies to the several Justices of the Peace within their respective counties.

To distribute.

Publication.

SEC. 4. This Act being deemed by the General Assembly of immediate importance shall be in force from and after its passage and publication in the Daily State Register and Iowa Homestead, published at Des Moines.

Approved January 29th, 1866.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa Daily State Register on the 8th day of February, 1866, and in the Iowa Homestead on the 13th day of February, 1866.

JAMES WRIGHT, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 5.

SHERIFFS MAY ADMINISTER OATHS.

AN ACT to authorize Sheriffs to administer oaths in certain cases.

Sheriff may administer oaths.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That Sheriffs and their Deputies, shall have power to administer oaths in all cases of the appraisement of property, on an attachment or execution or any proceeding connected therewith, and also, to administer oaths in all other cases, where Sheriffs are authorized by law to select commissioners or appraisers or empanel jurors for the purpose of appraising, or of viewing premises or property.

When.

Approved January 29th, 1866.