

hereby authorized and directed to certify to the Sioux City and St. Paul Railroad Company any and all lands which are now held by the state of Iowa in trust for the benefit of said railroad company in accordance with the provisions of section 2, of chapter 144 of the laws of the eleventh general assembly.

Lands to be  
certified to S.  
C. & St. P. Co.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in The Iowa State Register, and The State Journal, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Publication  
cause.

Approved March 13th, 1874.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published at Des Moines in *The Daily State Journal* March 19, and in *The Daily Iowa State Register* March 21, 1874.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER XXXV.

LEASING THE CONVICT LABOR AT THE PENITENTIARY.

AN ACT to Provide for leasing the Convict Labor in the Iowa Penitentiary, after the Expiration of the Lease now in force. S. F. 97.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the governor be directed to appoint three citizens of the state, who are hereby constituted commissioners on behalf of the state of Iowa, with full power and authority to enter into a contract or lease with such person or persons and upon such terms as they may deem of interest to the state, leasing or hiring the labor of the convicts in the penitentiary at Fort Madison for a period of time not exceeding five (5) years, reserving to the state the right to remove convicts to any other penitentiary: *Provided,* That the number shall not be reduced below three hundred, if there are that number of convicts; and said commissioners are hereby authorized and required to enter into a written agreement or contract with the person or persons with whom they contract, in which the term and stipulation of the contract shall be clearly set forth.

Governor to  
appoint com-  
missioners.

Labor to be  
leased.

Right to re-  
move con-  
victs, in ex-  
cess of 300, to  
any other  
penitentiary,  
to be  
reserved.  
Terms of con-  
tract.

SEC. 2. The commissioners shall require the person or persons, to whom they shall hire or lease the labor of the convicts, to give a bond to the state in at least double the amount of each quarterly payment for such labor, with security to be approved by the executive council, for the faithful performance of the provisions of the contract and the payment of the full amount due from the contractor or contractors quarterly for such labor.

Contractors to  
give bond.

SEC. 3. Said commissioners shall each take and subscribe an oath faithfully to discharge their duties under this act, which oath shall be reduced to writing, signed by said commissioners, and filed in the office of the secretary of state.

Commission-  
ers to take  
oath.

Their acts to be approved by exec. council. Minimum price of labor. SEC. 4. That all the acts of said commissioners shall be approved by the executive council before they shall be binding on the state, and that the labor of said convicts shall not be leased for less price than sixty (60) cents per day for any term of time.

Pay of commissioners. How paid.

SEC. 5. Said commissioners shall receive four dollars per day while actually employed in the discharge of their duties, and their actual traveling expenses, said amount to be paid by the warden of said penitentiary out of the general support fund.

Publication clause.

SEC. 6. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in *The Iowa State Register* and *State Leader*, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 14th, 1874.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published at Des Moines, in *The Iowa Daily State Leader* March 25, and in *The Daily Iowa State Register* March 31, 1874.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER XXXVI.

### TOWN OF ATLANTIC LEGALIZED.

S. F. 232.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Atlantic, Iowa, and the Election of Officers for said *Incorporation*, and to Legalize the acts of the de facto Officers.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The citizens of the town of Atlantic, in the county of Cass and state of Iowa, did apply by petition to the circuit court of said county for the appointment of commissioners to submit to the legal voters of said town the question of incorporating the same; and

WHEREAS, Said court, at the October term, 1869, did appoint five commissioners, who afterwards did call an election, and submitted said question to the legal voters thereof; and

WHEREAS, At said election a large majority of the votes polled were in favor of incorporating said town; and

WHEREAS, Said commissioners did afterwards call an election for the election of officers of said *incorporation*, at which election there were elected a mayor, recorder, treasurer, marshal, and five trustees; and

WHEREAS, The officers of said *incorporation*, thus elected, did order another election within said town for the election of officers for said *incorporation*; and

WHEREAS, The officers of said town have from year to year, at the proper time, ordered the election within said town for the election of officers for said *incorporation*; and

WHEREAS, The election last aforesaid was held on the 2d day of March, 1874, and a full set of corporate officers were elected thereat; and