

fifty thousand dollars, (\$1,350,000) upon the assessed value of property for the year A. D. 1894, and one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$1,250,000) upon the assessed value of property for the year A. D. 1895 in lieu of the two-mill tax.

SEC. 2. The state board of equalization shall annually compute the rate per cent, required to produce not less than the above amounts, anything in any other act providing a different manner of ascertaining the amount of revenue to be required to be levied for state purposes to the contrary notwithstanding; and when so ascertained the auditor of state shall certify to the county auditors the proper rate per cent thereof, and also such definite rates for other purposes as are now or may hereafter be provided by law, to be levied and collected as state taxes; and all laws or parts of laws in conflict are hereby repealed.

Approved March 23rd, 1894.

#### CHAPTER 115.

AN ACT creating a commission to revise and codify the laws of Iowa and defining its duties and providing for the publication and distribution of its report.

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

SECTION 1. That a non-partisan commission consisting of five persons, two of whom shall be appointed by the house of representatives, one by the state senate and two by the supreme court, be and is hereby constituted for the purpose of revising and codifying the laws of Iowa and reporting necessary and desirable changes to the Twenty-sixth General Assembly. Each of said commissioners shall be learned in the law and three of them shall have been engaged in the actual and continuous practice of the law for the ten years last past.

SEC. 2. The said commissioners to be appointed by the house and senate, shall be selected before the final adjournment of the Twenty-fifth General Assembly, and the others shall be selected before the first day of June, A. D. 1894.

SEC. 3. Before entering upon the discharge of their duties, the members of said commission shall severally take and subscribe to an oath to be filed with the secretary of state to support the constitution of the United States and of the state of Iowa, and to faithfully and impartially perform the duties required of them by this act, according to the best of their knowledge and ability.

SEC. 4. Said commission shall carefully revise and codify the laws of Iowa, and shall rewrite the same and divide them into appropriate parts and arrange them under appropriate titles, chapters and sections; omit all parts repealed or obsolete, insert all amendments and make the laws complete. Said commission shall have power to transpose words and

Power to trans- pose words, paragraphs and numbers.	sentences, arrange the same into sections or paragraphs and number them, change the phraseology and make any and all alterations necessary to improve, systematize, harmonize and
Omission.	make the laws clear and intelligible. They shall omit from said revision all laws of a local or temporary character, those relating to the apportionment of the state into congressional, senatorial and representative districts, and all references to decisions, notes or their own report, or that of any former commission.
Date of enter- ing upon duties	SEC. 5. Said commission shall enter upon the discharge of its duties on or before the first day of September, A. D. 1894, and its report showing what changes have been made, what statutes omitted and what amendments and further legislation it may deem necessary, shall be completed and printed before the first day of November, A. D. 1895. Each member-elect of the Twenty-sixth General Assembly shall be provided by the secretary of state with at least two copies of said report.
Date of com- pletion.	
Report.	
Compensation of members of commission.	SEC. 6. Each member of said commission shall be allowed ten dollars (\$10.00) per day for each and every day of not less than six hours necessarily and actually employed in the discharge of the duties of said commission, together with all necessary traveling expenses, to be evidenced by vouchers duly verified and filed with the secretary of state.
Traveling expenses.	
Clerk or steno- grapher employed.	SEC. 7. Said commission shall have the power to employ a clerk or stenographer at an expense of not more than five dollars per day and expenses when actually necessary in the discharge of the duties of the commission. The executive council shall audit all bills connected with the said commission, and when approved, the secretary of state shall draw orders on the auditor of state for the amounts so shown. The auditor in turn shall issue orders on the state treasurer, who shall pay the same out of any funds not otherwise appropriated.
Executive council to audit all bills.	
Vacancies in commission.	SEC. 8. Vacancies in said commission on account of death, removal from the state, refusal or inability of any member to act, or for any other cause, shall be filled by the supreme court.
Publication clause.	SEC. 9. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be enforced [in force] from and after its passage and publication in the Iowa State <i>Register</i> and Des Moines <i>Leader</i> , newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 19, 1894.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State *Register* March 27, and the Des Moines *Leader* March 23, 1894.

W. M. MCFARLAND, *Secretary of State*.