CHAPTER 110.

LIBRARIES FOR THE USE OF TEACHERS, PUPILS AND OTHER RESIDENTS IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

S. F. 240.

AN ACT to establish libraries for the use of teachers, pupils, and other residents in all school districts. [Amendatory of chapter 14, title XIII, of the code, relating to the systems of common schools.]

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

SECTION 1. Library fund. The treasurer of each school township and each rural independent district in this state shall withhold annually, from the money received from the apportionment for the several school districts, not less than five nor more than fifteen cents, as may be ordered by the board, for each person of school age residing in each school corporation, as shown by the annual report of the secretary, for the purchase of books as hereinafter provided. When so ordered by the board of directors, the

provisions of this section shall apply to any independent district.

SEC. 2. Purchase of books—distribution. Between the third Monday of September and the first day of December in each year the president and secretary of the board, with the assistance of the county superintendent of schools, shall expend all money withheld by the treasurer as provided in section one of this act, in the purchase of books selected from the lists prepared by the state board of educational examiners as hereinafter provided, for the use of the school district; in school townships the secretary shall distribute the books thus selected to the librarians among the several sub-districts, and at least semi-annually collect the same and distribute others.

SEC. 3. State board of educational examiners to prepare lists of books. It is hereby made the duty of the state board of educational examiners to prepare annually or biennially lists of books suitable for use in school district libraries, and furnish copies of such lists to each president, secretary, and each county superintendent, as often as the same shall be published or revised, from which lists the several presidents and secretaries and county superintendents shall select and purchase books.

SEC. 4. Record book. It shall be the duty of each secretary to keep in a record book, furnished by the board of directors, a complete record of

the books purchased and distributed by him.

SEC. 5. Librarian. Unless the board of directors shall elect some other person, the secretary in independent districts and director in subdistricts in school townships shall act as librarian and shall receive and have the care and custody of the books, and shall loan them to teachers, pupils, and other residents of the district, in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the state board of educational examiners and board of directors. Each librarian shall keep a complete record of the books in a record book furnished by the board of directors. During the periods that the school is in session the library shall be placed in the school-house, and the teacher shall be responsible to the district for its proper care and protection. The board of directors shall have supervision of all books and shall make an equitable distribution thereof among the schools of the corporation.

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CHAPTER 111.

COUNTY UNIFORMITY OF TEXT BOOKS.

S. F. 116.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-eight hundred and thirty-one (2831) of the code, relating to county uniformity of text-books.