

## CHAPTER 114.

CONSOLIDATION OF THE MISCELLANEOUS PORTION OF STATE LIBRARY  
WITH THE HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT.

S. F. 218.

AN ACT for the consolidation of the miscellaneous portion of the state library with the historical department, and defining the duties and fixing the salaries of the librarian, assistant, and the curator, and making an appropriation for the support of the state library. [Amendatory of chapter 17, title XIII, of the code, relating to the state library and historical collections.]

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

**SECTION 1. Consolidation—board of trustees.** That the board of trustees of the Iowa state library and the board of trustees of the Iowa historical department be, and the same are hereby, empowered and directed to consolidate the miscellaneous portion of the Iowa state library (exclusive of the law section), or so much thereof as shall be regarded by said board as advisable, with the historical department; the aforesaid consolidation to take effect on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and one, or at any such later date as said trustees may direct; and that on and after January first, nineteen hundred and one, the board of trustees of the Iowa state library and the board of trustees of the Iowa state historical department shall cease to exist as such, and the aforesaid boards shall by this act become the board of trustees of the state library and the historical department of Iowa, and the newly constituted board shall thereafter be charged with all the duties and responsibilities imposed upon the boards afore mentioned and possess all the powers thereof.

**SEC. 2. State librarian—curator—assistant librarian—reports.** That after such consolidation the state librarian shall have general charge of the historical department and of the consolidated and law libraries. The curator of the museum and art gallery shall have charge of the museum, the art gallery, the newspapers, and historical periodicals. The assistant to librarian shall have charge of the law library, under the direction of the state librarian. The above officers shall serve out the terms for which they shall have been appointed, at the expiration of which their successors shall be appointed by the board of trustees, and shall hold their respective offices for the term of six (6) years. The state librarian shall submit to the governor biennially a report giving the history of said consolidated libraries for the preceding two years, accompanied by a like report by the curator of the museum and art gallery.

**SEC. 3. Furniture and fixtures.** The executive council is authorized to procure the furniture and fixtures made necessary by such consolidation and pay for the same out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

**SEC. 4. Assignment of rooms.** The board of trustees shall have the control of the respective departments above named, and shall assign rooms to be occupied by each of said officers.

**SEC. 5. Appropriations.** There shall be annually appropriated, from any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ten thousand dollars for the use of the state library and historical department and museum, and the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars for the separate use of the law department, the money to be expended under the direction of the board of trustees of the state library and historical department; and the existing appropriations of five thousand dollars for the state library and six thousand dollars for the historical department shall be discontinued upon the consolidation aforesaid.

**SEC. 6. Salaries—bonds.** From and after the taking effect of this act, the salary of the state librarian shall be the sum of two thousand (2000) dollars per annum; the salary of the curator of the historical department

shall be the sum of sixteen hundred (1600) dollars per annum, and the salary of the assistant librarian shall be the sum of twelve hundred (1200) dollars per annum. After the consolidation provided for in this act becomes effective, the state librarian shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars, and the curator of the museum and art gallery, and the first assistant librarian, each in the sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned upon the faithful performance of their respective duties, to be approved by the board of trustees. The aforesaid salaries to be paid monthly out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SEC. 7. **In effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 12, 1900.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader March 13, 1900.

G. L. DOBSON,  
Secretary of State.

### CHAPTER 115.

#### COMPENSATION OF STATE LIBRARIAN AND ASSISTANTS.

S. F. 318.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-eight hundred and eighty-one (2881) of the code, relating to the compensation of the state librarian and his assistants.

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

SECTION 1. **Compensation of assistant librarians.** That section twenty-eight hundred and eighty-one (2881) of the code be amended as follows: By striking from the third line of said section the words "six hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one thousand." By striking from the fourth line of said section the words "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "eight hundred." By striking from the fifth line of said section the words "four hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seven hundred."

SEC. 2. **In effect.** 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 Des Moines Leader, papers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 6, 1900.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, April 7, 1900.

G. L. DOBSON,  
Secretary of State.

### CHAPTER 116.

#### LIBRARY COMMISSION AND FREE PUBLIC AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

S. F. 32.

AN ACT to create a library commission and promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries and public school libraries in the state of Iowa, and to appropriate money therefor. [Additional to title XIII, of the code, relating to education.]

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

SECTION 1. **State library commission—term—chairman.** The governor shall appoint four persons, at least two of whom shall be women, who, with the state librarian and superintendent of public instruction and president of the state university, shall constitute a state library commission. The first members appointed by the governor shall be appointed for terms of two, three, four and five years from the first day of July, 1900, and all subsequent appointments shall be for terms of five years, except appointments to fill vacancies. The commission shall annually elect a chairman.