

SEC. 2. Number printed and bound—distribution. The edition of each volume hereafter printed shall be three thousand, instead of ten thousand, as provided by said chapter. Two thousand of each edition shall be bound in half sheep and the remainder shall be stitched and stored for future use and so bound whenever required for sale or distribution. One hundred sets of said rosters and record shall be placed in the hands of the adjutant general and one hundred sets in the state library, for exchange with libraries of other states, the war department library, and the librarian of congress and such other institutions of other states as have extended or may hereafter extend courtesies of like character to this state; one set shall be issued to each camp of the Union Veteran's Legion, located in the state of Iowa; the remainder of the edition shall be disposed of as provided in section three of the aforesaid chapter, except as said section is modified by the provisions of this act.

SEC. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader and Des Moines Capital, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 12, A. D. 1909.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and Des Moines Capital, March 13, A. D. 1909.

W. C. HAYWARD,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 249.

IOWA STATE DRAINAGE, WATERWAYS AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

H. F. 349.

AN ACT to create the Iowa state drainage, waterways and conservation commission, and defining the powers and duties of the same.

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

SECTION 1. Commission established. There is hereby established a commission which shall be known as the Iowa state drainage, waterways and conservation commission, the members of which shall be chosen as hereinafter provided, whose term of service, powers and duties shall be as hereinafter prescribed.

SEC. 2. How appointed—duties. This commission shall be composed of seven men. They shall be appointed by the governor. It shall be the duty of this commission to investigate the entire question of the relation of the state to its waters, its forests, its soils, and its minerals. It is the intent and purpose of this bill that these investigations shall include the following:—

Art. 1. The present condition of public drainage in Iowa and the benefits which can be derived by securing the best of drainage engineering practice, the most economical administration of drainage projects, and a more economical method of financing at lower rates of interest, and show methods by which all of these benefits may be secured;

Art. 2. The present condition of all overflow of flood plain lands of Iowa, showing losses due by floods in the destruction of farm crops, the losses due by the destruction of property, in the cities, towns, and built-up districts, the losses due by the withdraw from crop cultivation of such flooded lands, and recommending the proper methods of prevention of such flood conditions;

Art. 3. The survey of at least one representative Iowa river to ascertain the available dam sites and the potential water-power and report the best method of procedure to bring about development of the water-powers of the

state, at the same time retaining the ultimate control of the water supply as a property of the state;

Art. 4. To co-operate with the United States survey provided by act of congress and investigate the possibilities of navigation upon the rivers or upon adjoining lands by canal, and to secure the aid of government experts when practicable in the several matters investigated by this commission;

Art. 5. The question of forests and their preservation and their culture in the state, and especially with reference to the influence of forests upon the flood conditions of the rivers and the erosion and waste of the soils;

Art. 6. It is the clear intent and purpose of this bill that the close interrelation of the several phases of river development shall be shown, and the necessity for a broad comprehensive treatment of our rivers shall be studied and reported upon;

Art. 7. The general question of the relation of the state to the preservation of the fertility of the Iowa soils;

Art. 8. The general question of the wise and conservative development and use of the mineral resources of the state, especially with reference to the mining of coals;

Art. 9. And the general question of the nature and condition of such lakes in Iowa as now belong to the state, the relation of lakes and streams to the preservation of such varieties of fish, birds, and native animals as are desirable, and the preservation of the peat beds which now belong to the state.

SEC. 3. **Organization—secretary—report.** It shall be the duty of this commission to meet and effect organization not later than July 1st, 1909, and to hold thereafter sessions as often as the necessities of the investigations herein contemplated shall require; to employ a secretary to perform the usual duties of such an officer; who shall have charge of all records and their preparation for publication and such other duties as the commission may direct. The commission shall prepare a complete report of all the investigations and recommendations of the commission and present the report to the governor of Iowa before the convening of the next general assembly at which time their term of service shall cease.

SEC. 4. **Commission to serve without pay—compensation of secretary—assistants.** The members of this commission shall serve without pay. By order of the commission the secretary of the commission shall receive a salary fixed by the commission not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) per annum, to be paid in equal monthly installments. He may by consent of the commission employ assistants to be paid for labor and expense as ordered by the secretary who shall for each such assistant submit to the auditor of the state a duly acknowledged itemized account of expenses incurred and salary allowed, in the same manner as directed for members of the commission. Such expense shall be paid out of the appropriation made in section 5 of this act but not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) may be so expended in any one year.

SEC. 5. **Appropriation.** For the purposes of carrying into effect the provision of this act, there is hereby appropriated from funds in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) per annum.

SEC. 6. **In effect.** This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its publication in the Register and Leader, and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 9, A. D. 1909.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Capital April 10, A. D. 1909, and in the Register and Leader April 12, A. D. 1909.

W. C. HAYWARD,
Secretary of State.