

## CHAPTER 20.

*An Act to amend Chapters 12 and 29 of the Revised Statutes.*

March 4, 1854.

## SECTION

1. School taxes how collected.
2. Amendment.

## SECTION

3. How Commissioners to apportion school funds.
4. Duty of Collector.

*Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:* That in case of the return of lands to the Register of Deeds by the Clerk of any School District for the non-payment of any taxes which said District is authorised by law to assess, the Register of Deeds is hereby authorised and required to proceed in the same manner to collect said tax as he is by law required to proceed in the case of lands returned by the County Collector for the non-payment of county taxes; and the money so collected shall be deposited with the County Treasurer and by him shall be placed to the credit of the District to which it belongs, subject to the draft of the Trustees of said District. And when such monies shall be so deposited, it shall be the duty of the Register of Deeds to immediately give notice thereof to the Trustees of the School District for which such moneys were collected. Provided, that if any lands shall be bid in by the Register of Deeds for and in the name of the County, said Register shall make due return thereof to the Board of County Commissioners, and the Commissioners upon such return shall issue a county order to the Trustees of said school district, payable out of any moneys in the County Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

School taxes  
how collected.

Sec. 2. That subdivision five, section ten of chapter 29, be amended to read as follows:

To make return to Register of Deeds of all unpaid District Taxes, in the same manner and in all respects, as the County Collector is required, in sections 42, 43 and 44 of chapter 12, to make return of unpaid County Taxes.

Amendment.

Subdivision six of same section to read as follows:

To retain a copy of all reports made to the Board of County Commissioners, relating to the affairs of the District.

Sec. 3. That section eleven of chapter twenty-nine be amended to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of the County Commissioners, at their annual meeting of January of each year, to make an apportionment of the school funds in the County Treasury among the several School Districts in which a school has been taught for three months the preceding year, in their respective counties in proportion to the number of persons in the District over the age of four, and under the age of twenty-one years, and certify the amount due to the Trustees of each District; which amount shall be subject to the draft of said Trustees; in favor of any person to whom such moneys may be due, for services as teacher or teachers of said District; *Provided*, That if in any District where the number of scholars returned does not exceed twelve, a school has been taught for six weeks the preceding year, or for three months within the two preceding years, such District shall be entitled to receive its proportion of the school fund: *Provided, also*, that if a new District has

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been organized during the preceding year, it shall not be necessary that a school should have been taught in it that year, to entitle it to receive its proportion of the school fund.

Duty of County Collector.

SEC. 4. *Provided*, that it shall be the duty of all County Collectors to keep a correct account of all monies collected by them for school purposes, and on paying the same to the County Treasurer it shall be the duty of said Treasurer to give a receipt stating that such money is received as belonging to the school fund, and said money shall remain in the County Treasury for School purposes, and it shall not be lawful for the Treasurer to pay it out for any other purpose.

N. C. D. TAYLOR,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
S. B. OLMSTEAD,  
*President of the Council.*

APPROVED—MARCH fourth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

W. A. GORMAN.  
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
St. Paul, March 30, 1854. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original act on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSSER,

*Secretary of Minnesota Territory.*

CHAPTER 21.

March 4, 1854.

*An Act to amend Section 16, Article 8, of the Revised Statutes.*

SECTION,  
1. Amendment—Coroners may appoint deputy.  
2. Eligibility of Sheriffs.

SECTION  
3. Fees per diem, &c.  
4 Register of Deeds to keep suitable books.

Amendment.

*Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota,* That section 16, of article 8, of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended as follows;

Coroners may appoint deputy.

The Coroners in the several counties in this territory, are hereby authorised to appoint deputy coroners, who shall be appointed in writing, and shall, before entering upon the duties of the office, take and subscribe an oath faithfully to perform the duties of their said office, which oath shall be endorsed on the appointment, and recorded in the office of the clerk of the district court of the proper county, and the persons so appointed shall have the same powers that are hereby conferred on coroners.