

statement of the time for which appointment is made shall be delivered to the commissioner within ten days after the date the appointment was made."

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CHAPTER 331—H. F. No. 1363

An act authorizing the creation of an interim committee to investigate all problems of education in Minnesota, to make such recommendations as the facts may warrant, and providing for an appropriation for such purposes.

WHEREAS, the changing social, industrial and economic conditions and the modern communication and transportation developments have greatly changed the educational needs of the state; and

WHEREAS, the cost of education, which has been steadily increasing, demands a thorough study with the aim of co-ordinating said costs with taxation; and

WHEREAS, the problems of education in Minnesota are not sectional but involve the entire state and must rest in their solution upon facts and analyses covering the entire state; now therefore

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Educational interim committee established.—There is hereby created and established an interim committee on education to study the educational system of the state and problems relating thereto, which committee shall consist of three representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, three senators to be appointed by the committee on committees of the Senate, and one member to be appointed by the governor of the State of Minnesota.

It shall be the duty of the interim committee to carry on such studies and investigations as it shall deem proper pertaining to the educational needs of the people of Minnesota; to assemble information relative to the educational system of the state including all types and levels of educational institutions and agencies; to assemble information relative to the educational, financial, taxation and legal problems involved in the program of public education including nursery

school, kindergarten, elementary, secondary, higher, professional, vocational and adult education; to study existing distribution of higher educational institutions in the state of Minnesota, public and private, and to consider the functions they perform together with the relation between their programs and the occupational and professional trends within the state; to assemble information regarding the number and status of the persons in Minnesota over 16 years of age, their distribution, economic and social background and needs in regard to vocational or professional training, and need for personal financial aid in carrying on further study; to study the advisability of codifying existing educational statutes; to consider the adequacy with which the needs of the people of the state as found through its studies are met through existing public and private educational facilities and to frame suggestions for meeting those needs with greater adequacy; and to study other relevant matter that its wisdom and judgment may dictate or which its investigation may prove necessary, such as the general problem of state aid and effective units of administration, all in order that said committee may have a thorough basis in fact for the formulation of a state-wide plan for the educational training of the citizens of Minnesota; and to make such recommendations to the 1941 legislature as it may deem necessary.

It shall meet for the purpose of organization at a time and place to be determined by the governor. The members of the committee shall be paid necessary expenses of subsistence and travel in going between their places of residence or business and the place of meeting. The committee shall choose its own chairman. It shall also have the power to appoint, employ, and fix the compensation of a secretary and to provide such other assistance as it may require; to procure office space and to pay a fair rental therefor; to prepare a printed report to the legislature, and to pay other expenses necessarily incurred in the prosecution of its work.

The board of regents of the university of Minnesota, and the state board of education, the state teachers' college board and the various school boards of the state of Minnesota are hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with the interim committee herein created and to furnish such information and assistance as may be required by the interim committee.

For the purpose of this act said committee is authorized to hold hearings, and to sit at such times and places as it may deem advisable; to require by subpoena or otherwise the at-

tednance of such witnesses and the production of such books, papers and documents as it deems advisable; to administer oaths and take testimony and to make expenditures not exceeding the amount hereinafter specified; to employ counsel if it deem such employment necessary, stenographic assistance to report the testimony taken at the hearings to be held by the committee, and such other assistance as it deems advisable.

Every person who, having been summoned as a witness by authority of said committee, shall refuse or neglect, without lawful excuse, to attend pursuant to such summons, or who, having appeared, wilfully refuses to be sworn or to produce, upon reasonable notice, any material and proper books, papers or documents in his possession or under his control, shall be liable to the penalties prescribed by Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 38 and 10003.

Sec. 2. Appropriation for expenses.—There is hereby authorized to spend a sum not to exceed \$15,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry on the work contemplated by this act, which sum is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be immediately available.

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CHAPTER 332—H. F. No. 1368

An act authorizing the state auditor to deliver to the Watonwan County Historical Society the warrants, receipts and orders pertaining to the capture of the Younger brothers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. State Auditor to turn certain records over to Watonwan County Historical Society.—The state auditor is hereby authorized and directed to turn over and convey to the Watonwan County Historical Society the warrants, receipts and orders now lodged in his office pertaining to the Younger brothers and a reward for their capture.

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