CHAPTER LXXXIV.

Feb'y 18, 1870.

An Act to unite School District Number Seventeen, in Wright County, and School District Number Thirty-three, in Stearns County, and form the same into an Independent School District, and to ratify the action of the legal voters in organizing such Independent School District, and of the School Directors under said Organization.

- SECTION 1. The action of the legal voters of said school districts are hereby legalized and confirmed—name of said School District.
 - 2. Corporate rights.
 - Board of Education to fix rates of taxation—duties of Auditors of said counties
 —when Clerk to report number of children between the ages of five and twen
 iy-one years.
 - 4. When act to take effect, -

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

Action of voters legalized—name of said school district.

Section 1. That the action of the legal voters of school district number seventeen, in the county of Wright, and of school district number thirty-three, in the county of Stearns, at the annual meeting held in such districts, on the twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, in organizing, erecting and consolidating said districts into an independent school district, and in the election of school directors therefor; and the organization of said directors as a board of education, and their acts as such board, are all and singular, hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid; and the said two school districts are hereby declared to be united and created into an independent school district, and the said school directors, and their successors, are hereby declared to be a body corporate, by the name of "The Board of Education of the Clearwater Independent School District."

SEC. 2. Said independent school district shall hereafter

stand upon the same footing as independent school dis- corporate rights. tricts which are organized under title three, of chapter thirty-six, of the general statutes of Minnesota, and shall have and exercise all the powers, rights, authority and franchises, and perform the same duties as if so organized; and shall in all things hereafter be governed by the provisions of said title three, as if organized thereunder, ex-

cept as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 3. The board of education of the Clearwater independent school district, whenever it shall vote any taxes upon the taxable property of said district, and of taxable—du-whenever it shall be necessary to raise money by taxation, when to report pursuant to the provisions of section sixty-nine, of said number of children between five chapter thirty-six, of the general statutes, or for any other and twenty-one. purpose, instead of reporting to the county auditors of Stearns and Wright counties the amounts so to be raised. shall itself fix the rate or number of mills on the dollar. which may in its judgment be necessary to meet the same, making due allowance for probable delinquencies; and such rates shall be certified to the county auditors of said counties, instead of the amounts of moneys voted, and such auditors shall levy such rates upon the property in said districts within their respective counties, as other taxes are levied; and the same shall be collected with other taxes and paid over to the treasurer of said board of No tax shall be invalid by reason of being in excess of the amount voted for the purpose for which the tax was levied, but such excess in all cases shall be applied to the payment of teachers' wages, in the future, or to the payment of the incidental expenses of schools, as the board may deem advisable. The report of the clerk required by section sixty-five, of said chapter, shall specify the names of all persons, male and female, residing in the district on the first day of September preceding his report, between the ages of five and twenty-one years, and the number of those who have attended school during the year, in such manner that those residing in each of said counties, shall appear separate in such report; and shall make his reports to the county auditors of both of said counties.

This act shall take effect from and after its when act to take SEC. 4. passage.

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