

state insurance account an amount equal to such award the full amount of the award shall notwithstanding this fact, be promptly paid by the state treasurer above provided.

**Sec. 4. Ten per cent of insurance funds appropriated for carrying out provisions of act.**—For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated ten per cent of all sums credited by the state treasurer to said state insurance account above mentioned. The commissioner of insurance may employ any of the employees in the department of insurance and such other assistants as may be found necessary, and fix the compensation of such other assistants, which compensation together with the expenses of such assistants and the commissioner and his employes shall be paid out of the state insurance account upon proper vouchers approved by the commissioner of insurance.

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CHAPTER 550—H. F. No. 896.

*An Act providing for the appointment of a superintendent of education, fixing his term of office, defining his duties and powers, providing for the appointment of his assistants and other employes, abolishing the office of superintendent of public instruction, and repealing Sections 1373, 1374, 1375, 1376 and 1377. Revised Laws of 1905.*

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

**Section 1. Superintendent of education, etc.**—The general supervision of public schools is vested in a state superintendent to be known as the superintendent of education, and in the various county, city and district superintendents, the state high school board and its inspectors.

**Sec. 2. To be appointed by governor—Assistants, etc.**—A superintendent of education shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The first superintendent so appointed shall serve until January 20, 1915, and subsequent appointees shall hold for a term of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Vacancies in said office shall be filled by like appointment for the remainder of the term. He shall have an office in the capitol, where he shall file and keep all papers, reports and public documents made or sent to him, and a record of all his official business. He shall appoint a deputy who shall perform his duties when absent or disabled, and three other assistants, a rural school commissioner and supervisor of school libraries, each of whom shall perform such duties as the superintendent may require. He may employ other necessary assistants and clerks and fix their compensation not to exceed moneys appropriated therefor.

**Sec. 3. Traveling expenses from contingent fund.**—The superintendent and other persons appointed by him shall receive their necessary expenses for traveling and other incidental expenses incurred in connection with their official duties, to be paid from the contingent fund or from other appropriations made for such purposes.

**Sec. 4. Duties—Powers—Reports.**—Besides exercising general supervision over public schools and public education agencies in the state, the superintendent of education shall prescribe rules for the several classes of public schools receiving special state aid. He shall classify and standardize rural and other public schools and prepare for them outlines and suggestive courses of study. He shall, under the laws prescribed therefor, issue all certificates to those employed as teachers and supervisors in public schools.

For the purpose of considering matters affecting the interests of public education, he shall, upon notice, meet the several county and city superintendents and school principals at such times and places in the state as he shall deem most convenient and beneficial. On or before December 1 of each even-numbered year, he shall prepare and submit to the legislature, through the governor, a report containing:

1. An abstract of the reports of the several county superintendents showing such facts and giving such information as the said superintendent may require relative to public schools, including enrollment, attendance, and classification of pupils in public schools.

2. A statement of the condition of public schools and of public and other institutions of learning reporting to him.

3. The amount of moneys received and expended each year for public schools and public education, specifying the amount received from each source and the amount expended for each purpose.

4. The number, kind, and name of public schools of each class receiving state aid, and the estimated amount of aid for the ensuing two years, together with such facts relating to these schools as will show their progress and work.

**Sec. 5. To prepare uniform system of records for public schools.**—The superintendent of education shall prepare a uniform system of records for public schools, require reports from county and other superintendents and principals of schools, teachers, school officers, and the chief officers of public and other educational institutions, to give such facts as he may deem of public value. He shall establish and carry into effect a uniform system of accounting by public school officers, and he shall have authority to supervise and examine the accounts and other records of all public schools.

**Sec. 6. Prepare rules, and examine plans, etc.**—He shall prescribe rules and examine all plans and specifications for the erection, enlargement and change of school buildings, which plans and specifications shall first be submitted to him for approval before contract is let, and no new school building shall be erected or any building enlarged or changed until the plans and specifications have been submitted to and have been approved by the superintendent of education. He shall include in such rules those made from time to time by the state board of health, relative to sanitary standards for toilets, water supply and disposal of sewage in public school buildings. In all other respects the authority to make rules for public school buildings shall be vested in the superintendent of education. Under such rules and procedure as the superintendent or the high school board shall prescribe, he may condemn school buildings and sites which are unfit or unsafe for use as such.

**Sec. 7. Present office abolished.**—Upon the appointment, confirmation and qualification of the superintendent of education, herein provided for, the office of superintendent of public instruction shall be abolished and shall cease and terminate and all duties and powers prescribed by law for the superintendent of public instruction, and not inconsistent with this act, shall be vested in and performed by the superintendent of education.

**Sec. 8. Sections repealed.**—Sections 1373, 1374, 1375, 1376, and 1377, Revised Laws of 1905, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

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#### CHAPTER 551—H. F. No. 901.

*An Act to amend Section 880, Revised Laws of 1905 as amended by Chapter 400 of the General Laws of 1907 relating to notice of rates of taxation.*

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

**Section 1. Notice to be published in a newspaper—Rates to be printed on back of receipts.**—That Section 880, Revised Laws of 1905 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**Section 880.** On receiving the tax list from the auditor, the treasurer shall, if directed by the county board, give three weeks published notice *in a newspaper* specifying the rates of taxation for all general purposes and the amounts raised for each specific purpose, *and shall cause to be printed on the back of all tax receipts and tax statements a tabulated statement of said rates of taxation and amounts.* If so directed by the county board, he shall visit places in the county as he deems expedient