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## CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT to revise the general statutes.

[This act is published in separate volume in accordance with the provisions of chapter 3, laws of 1878, extra session.]

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## CHAPTER 3.

AN ACT to provide for the publication and distribution of the revised statutes.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. The printing and publication of the revised statutes shall be done under the supervision of such persons, not exceeding two, as the justices of the supreme court shall appoint for that purpose; said justices shall fix their compensation, and may allow them compensation for necessary clerk hire and actual necessary expenses, and may authorize any necessary incidental printing to be done therewith. The persons so appointed shall attend personally to the printing of said statutes, shall read and correct the proof, shall append the marginal notes to the several sections, as they appear in the report of the revisers, with any necessary alterations or corrections, and references to the decisions of the supreme court down to and including the forty-second volume of the reports of the said decisions. They shall insert in said statutes, where necessary, suitable sub-heads to conveniently refer to the matter of the sections thereunder. They shall prefix to the volume of the revised statutes, a table of contents of the chapters, the constitution of the United States, and its amendments, omitting the names of the signers, the constitution of this state and its amendments, omitting the names of the signers, with marginal references to the decisions of the supreme court thereon, omitting sections ten and twelve of article fourteen, and the resolutions appended to the constitution, and inserting a brief abstract of the portions so omitted. They shall append to the volume the act of congress approved August sixth, A. D. 1846,

Printing and publication to be done under supervision of commissioners to be appointed by Justices of Supreme Court

Powers and duties of commissioners.

Sub-heads.

Constitution of the United States, of this state, and table of contents to be prefixed.

Act of Congress authorizing adoption of

Constitution and State Government to be appended; also naturalization laws, and how judicial proceedings may be authenticated.

The statutes of the U. S. relating to the election of Senators and Representatives to be included.

Table showing chapters expressly repealed.

Further duties of persons appointed to superintend printing of statutes.

Index and words of reference.

To be printed in one large royal octavo volume, on quality of paper herein described.

Binding.

entitled "An act to enable the people of Wisconsin Territory to form a constitution and state government, and for the admission of such state into the Union;" the laws of the United States in relation to the naturalization of aliens, and which prescribe the mode in which public acts, records and judicial proceedings in each state of the United States shall be authenticated, so as to be received in evidence. The statutes of the United States relative to the election of senators and representatives in congress shall also be included in connection with chapter eight of the revised statutes, except their titles shall be omitted from the volume. Section four thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight of the revised statutes shall be omitted, and in lieu thereof shall be inserted a table showing the numbers of the chapters of former laws therein expressly repealed, with the year of their passage, which table shall be presumptive evidence of the repeal of the chapters contained in such table.

**SECTION 2.** The persons so appointed shall correct any manifest errors in printing, spelling, punctuation, or other typographical errors which may be found in the revised statutes, not affecting substance or changing sense, and shall correct all errata reported by the revisers with the bill, and not corrected by amendments submitted by the joint committee on revision, and all errors noted by the said committee. They shall prepare suitable headings for the pages, so that, as printed, the lines on the top of the pages on the left hand shall indicate the general subject of the title or chapter, and those on the right hand, the particular matter of the chapter. They shall also prepare an index and append to the volume, in which the principal words of reference shall be in capitals and the matter underneath in brevier type. Such index shall refer both to the numbers of pages and sections of the volume.

**SECTION 3.** The revised statutes shall be printed in one large royal octavo volume, the text to be in new small pica type, the marginal notes to be in nonpareil type, and shall be printed upon pure rag paper, supersized and calendered, and weighing not less than sixty five pounds to the ream, and of good quality; and the volumes shall be bound in good, durable, substantial law book style, the printed page to be of the size reported by the revisers in their printed report, and the printing, binding and lettering to be done, in all respects, equal in kind and workmanship, to a speci-

men volume to be designated by the justices of the supreme court as a standard volume, in accordance with which the work shall be compared and executed. The persons appointed to supervise the printing, shall have power to reject any page, part of page, form or part of form, or plate or part of plate, which does not in every respect conform to the requirements of this act, or to such standard volume, in their judgment, and may require a reprint thereof, or new plate, which shall be furnished at their requirement without additional cost or extra charge to the state, and a failure on the part of the printer or contractor to comply with any direction of such person so appointed, in regard to such printing, stereotyping or binding, shall work a forfeiture of the contract and of all moneys due thereon, so far as relates to the matter of printing said statutes.

Power to reject unsatisfactory work.

SECTION 4. The copy furnished to the state printer or contractor shall be compared with the original statutes by the persons employed to supervise the printing, and shall be so furnished as rapidly as possible after the passage of this act. The several banking laws adopted by the people, and printed in said revision, shall be compared with the original acts and amendments, and printed in conformity therewith. The state printer shall cause the proof to be read at least twice before furnishing the same to the supervising persons so appointed, as aforesaid, and shall furnish as many proofs, revises, corrected proofs and revises, as may be required, either in book form or galley, as they may require. Such persons shall perform their duties as required in this act, with such dispatch as to enable the printer to complete the delivery of the printed volumes at the times fixed therefor in this act.

Copy to be compared.

Banking laws to be compared with original enrolled bills.

Proof.

SECTION 5. The said revised statutes shall be printed by the state printer, who shall print and deliver to the secretary of state twelve thousand copies of the same; at least six thousand copies of the same shall be delivered on or before the fifteenth day of October next, and the remainder on or before the first day of November next. The commissioners of public printing are hereby authorized and directed to procure stereotype plates of said volumes, at a cost of not to exceed one dollar and twenty five cents per page, and to contract with said printer for the binding of said books in the manner hereinbefore provided, at a cost for binding of not to exceed ninety cents per copy: *provided*, that in said contract said printer shall agree and bind himself, un-

To be printed by state printer.

Time of delivery.

Stereotype plates to be procured.

Obligations of state printer.

der such provisions and upon such covenants, and with such additional security, as said commissioners may deem necessary to secure faithful performance, that he will faithfully comply with the requirements of this act, and such contract, in respect to the printing, binding, stereotyping and delivery of said volumes. In estimating the press-work upon said volume the medium sized paper shall be adopted as the standard token, and the work computed upon that basis.

**Presswork —  
how estimated.**

**Commissioners  
of Public Print-  
ing to contract  
for paper, and  
to issue same  
to state printer  
as provided by  
law.**

**SECTION 6.** The printing commissioners are hereby required in the manner now required by law, to contract for a quality of book paper of a standard of excellence, durability and finish, kind and quality, specified in section three of this act; and to issue the same to the state printer as may be required for the purposes of this act, under the rules and regulations now provided by law for other classes of state printing. The contract for the stereotype plates shall provide for the delivery to the state of said plates after such printing of said edition is completed, and they shall be deposited in some secure place in the state capitol, and preserved to meet any future orders.

**Stereotype  
plates of stat-  
utes to be de-  
posited in cap-  
itol.**

**Superintend-  
ent of Public  
Property to pro-  
vide room and  
stationery for  
use of superin-  
tendents of  
printing stat-  
utes; Secretary  
of State to per-  
mit them to  
take enrolled  
bills under cer-  
tain limitations**

**SECTION 7.** The superintendent of public property shall furnish to said persons appointed to supervise said printing, a suitable room in the capitol, and all needed stationery, for the performance of their duties under this act; the secretary of state shall furnish them, immediately after their appointment, two copies of the original act, and shall permit them to take, for the purpose of comparison, any enrolled bill or the original statutes deposited in his office, for the purpose of comparison, and shall designate some clerk of his office to take custody of the same, and assist in such comparison.

**Distribution of  
revised statutes**

**SECTION 8.** Upon delivery of the said printed volumes, the secretary of state shall turn them over to the superintendent of public property, who shall distribute two copies to each of the justices of the supreme court, one copy to each circuit, county and municipal judge, two copies to each of the judges of the district courts of the United States in this state, for the use of said courts, one copy to the Milwaukee library association, one copy to each of the revisers of the statutes, one copy to each of the state officers, and one copy to be kept in each state office in the capitol, twenty copies to the state library, one copy to each member and officer of the legislature of 1878; and such further distribution as is now provided by law to town, city,

county and village officers, shall be made as fast as said books are delivered. Of the volumes remaining in his hands the superintendent shall sell to any residents of this state desiring the same for his own use, on application, one copy, at a price not less than cost price, nor in excess of the same, but shall retain sufficient copies thereof for the uses required by law.

SECTION 9. As soon as practicable, and during the progress of such printing, the secretary of state shall cause to be printed from the same plates used in printing said statutes, as far as practicable, one hundred copies of said statutes, which edition of one hundred copies, shall include the chapters and sections directed to be omitted from the general edition of such statutes hereinbefore provided for; and such printing shall be and is hereby declared to be a publication of said revised statutes and of the whole thereof, and such printing of said limited edition provided for by this section shall be completed and delivered to said secretary on or before the first day of November, A. D. 1878; and said secretary shall, also, cause two copies of said complete statutes to be printed on bond paper and kept in his office properly bound, and such copies shall be certified to by him, and when so bound, certified and deposited in his office, the same may be used as and for the original act and the official record copies thereof. No publication of said statutes in the official state paper, nor in any other manner than as required by this act, shall be made.

One hundred copies of complete statutes to be printed, two copies of which shall be printed on bond paper and certified to by Secretary of State and deposited in his office as original copy of same

SECTION 10. If the state printer shall fail or refuse to accept said work upon the terms of this act, and to enter into such additional contract, within six days after the passage of this act, then the commissioners of public printing shall immediately thereafter advertise for ten days, in two newspapers published in the city of Madison, two newspapers published in the city of Milwaukee, and one newspaper published in each of the cities of Chicago, St. Louis and New York, for proposals for stereotyping the revised statutes and delivering to the superintendent of public property, at the capitol, in the city of Madison, free of express or transportation charges, by the fifteenth day of October, 1878, twelve thousand copies of the revised statutes, together with the stereotyped plates from which they shall be printed. Such advertisement shall state the time when proposals for bids will cease to be received, and when the bids will be examined and the contract let. At the time so stated, the bids shall be opened and the contract

In case of failure of state printer to accept terms of this act, Commissioners of Public Printing to advertise for proposals for doing the work in this act required.

Nature of advertisement.

shall be let to the lowest bidder, upon his giving the bond and executing the contract herein provided. The contract, if let in the manner provided in this section, shall reserve the copyright to the secretary of state, in trust for the state of Wisconsin, and shall provide for the stereotyping and delivery of twelve thousand copies of the revised statutes, in all respects as provided in this statute, and that the contractor shall furnish to all the people of the state desiring to purchase the same, for the period of five years from the date of the contract, copies of the revised statutes at the price per volume therefor to be paid by the state for said twelve thousand copies, including said stereotyping, at the place designated for such delivery within this state by the purchaser, and free of express or other transportation charges. Such contractor shall, at the time of the execution of such contract, execute and deliver to the state a bond in the penalty of twenty thousand dollars, with at least two sufficient sureties, conditioned for the faithful execution of the contract as herein provided, which contract and bond shall be prepared by the attorney general, shall be attached together, shall be executed and approved by said commissioners as to form and as to the sufficiency of the sureties in such bond, and when executed, such contract and bond shall be deposited with the treasurer. On the delivery of said stereotyped plates and said twelve thousand copies of said statutes, furnished to the satisfaction of the said persons appointed to supervise the printing thereof, the secretary of state, on being so certified by them as to the fact, shall draw his warrant upon the treasurer in favor of, and for the amount due state printer or the contractor, under his contract or contracts therefor.

Appropriation  
for the pur-  
poses of this  
act.

SECTION 11. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to defray the expenses authorized by this act. The said justices shall, as soon as possible, after the passage of this act, appoint such persons, who shall at once enter upon their duties, and proceed with the same as expeditiously as practicable. The compensation of the persons so appointed, and their clerk hire, shall be paid upon the written allowance of the justices of the supreme court, signed by the chief justice.

SECTION 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved June 7, 1878.