

Chap. 98.

Published, July 16, 1857.

AN ACT to provide for auditing the accounts of the Revisers.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

§ 1. The Secretary of State is hereby directed and authorized to audit the accounts of the persons appointed under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to provide for a revision of the General Laws of the State of Wisconsin," approved October 13, 1856, for services performed under the provisions of said act from time to time, when presented by said Revisers upon the certificate of said Revisers, stating the number of days actual service rendered by each, and to draw warrants upon the State Treasurer for the amounts audited, and a sufficient sum of money is hereby appropriated out of any monies in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay such warrants.

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audit accounts of
Revisers.

§ 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, March 9, 1857.

Chap. 99.

Published, July 20, 1857.

AN ACT to change the fiscal year of the State of Wisconsin, and to amend an act relating to printing, approved April 19, 1852.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

§ 1. Section thirty-one of Chapter nine of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so that the fiscal year of this State shall hereafter commence on the first day of October in each year, and close on the thirtieth day of September next succeeding.

Fiscal year
changed.

§ 2. At the close of each year aforesaid all officers required by any law of the State to make annual reports to the Governor, to be communicated by him to the Legislature, shall, within ten days thereafter, complete and deposit the same with the Governor, who shall within three days thereafter deliver said reports to the contractor or person authorized to do the public printing of the State in the English language.

Duties of State
Printer.

§ 3. Upon the receipt of said reports the said Printer shall print in pamphlet form and deliver to the Superintendent of Public Property, to be by him delivered to the Legislature on the first day of its next ensuing session. five thousand copies of each of said reports for the use of the Assembly and three thousand copies for the use of the Senate. It shall be the duty of said Superintendent of said work is done in accordance with contract and to his acceptance; to carefully count the printed copies of said reports, and to give a receipt to said Printer for the number actually received, from which receipt or voucher his account shall be settled by the Printing Committee of the two Houses of the Legislature in accordance with the contract prices for said work. All said reports shall be neatly printed, folded, stitched, trimmed and bound in paper covers prior to any delivery or acceptance as aforesaid.

§ 4. If any said Printer shall neglect or fail to complete and deliver said printed reports, or either of them, to the Superintendent of Public Property on or before the first day of the Session of the Legislature next ensuing, he shall forfeit and pay a penalty of fifty dollars per day for each day's delay thereafter, which said forfeiture or penalty shall be deducted from his bill for said work in any settlement made for the same either with any Printing Committee or with the Secretary of State.

§ 5. It shall be the duty of said Printer to print and deliver to the Legislature, or to either House thereof, during its Sessions, all bills, memorials or joint resolutions, not exceeding twelve pages in length, ordered printed by either, within forty-eight hours after receiving the same, and on a failure to complete said printing within the time specified in this section, he shall forfeit and pay a penalty of ten dollars per day for each day's delay in printing any such bill, memorial or joint resolution aforesaid, to be deducted from his bill for printing in the manner provided by section four.

§ 6. It shall be the duty of said Printer, during every session of the Legislature, to print and deliver to the House ordering the same, all reports of committees or other documents, within a reasonable time after the same are ordered printed, which time shall be computed at the rate of two days for each form of sixteen pages of pamphlet work covered by such printed matter where the number of copies ordered is one thousand or less, and four days when the number exceeds one thousand; *Provided*, That this construction shall not apply to reports ordered printed and covered. In such cases one day additional shall be allowed for each thousand copies so ordered. In case of default or delay in printing and delivering any of said reports as aforesaid, said printer shall be liable to the same penalty per day that is provided in the last preceding section. Further duties.

§ 7. It shall be the duty of said Printer during every session to print and deliver in pamphlet form to each member of the two Houses, and to each State department, ten copies of every general law passed at such session from time to time during the same, or so many of said acts as shall pass and be approved prior to the last week of the session, and the balance of said acts within ten days after its close; and all such copies of laws not printed prior to adjournment shall be mailed to each member by the Superintendent of Public Property at the expense of the State, and the postage account thereof is hereby authorized to be audited by the Secretary of State by warrants drawn on the State Treasury.

§ 8. The general and local laws and the journals and accompanying documents of each session shall be bound in cheap cloth or paste board binding, in suitable form for preservation, and the name or title of each volume or document, and the year of its publication shall be stamped on back of the same, either in gold, leaf, or ink, as may be directed by the Secretary of State. Upon the completion and delivery of the same the Superintendent of Public Property shall envelope and mail to each University, College, Union School and Academy in the State, one copy of each of said volumes of laws, journals and documents for the sole use of the Libraries of said Institutions, and the bill for postage or freight thereon shall be certified to the Secretary of State, who shall audit the same in the manner provided by section seven of this act; *Provided*, The number of

Further duties.

copies so distributed shall not exceed one hundred full sets in any one year. The general laws of each session shall be printed and delivered within the time now fixed by law, and whenever there is or may be an extra or adjourned session, the laws passed shall be printed and bound as distinct and separate volumes, and shall be completed and delivered within thirty days after the adjournment of the same, and for each days delay thereafter the Printer shall forfeit ten dollars per day, to be deducted from his bill in the manner provided by section four of this act.

Superintendent of
Public Property
to receipt for

§ 10. Upon the presentation to the Secretary of State of the receipt of the Superintendent of Public Property, certifying that any documents or volumes ordered printed by the Legislature have been delivered subsequent to the adjournment of the Legislature, the said Secretary of State is hereby authorized to audit the accounts for the printing of the same to an amount not exceeding seventy-five per cent. of the whole bill, and to draw his warrant on the treasury for the payment of the same; *Provided*, He shall be satisfied that such account is made out in accordance with the terms of said Public Printer.

§ 11. There is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum of money sufficient to pay all sums authorized to be audited by the Secretary of State in the preceding sections.

§ 12. All acts of the Legislature heretofore passed in relation to binding, and all acts and parts of acts of any existing laws conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

§ 13. This shall take effect and be in force immediately after its passage and publication.

Approved, March 9, 1857.