

legislature which will cure any abuses, if any are found to exist, in the sale of schoolbooks in this state. Be it further

*Resolved*, That said committee so appointed shall by a majority vote of the members thereof have full power to discharge the duties assigned by this resolution, to subpoena and examine witnesses, to take testimony, to order and require the production of books and papers necessary for a thorough investigation by said committee; that each member of said committee shall have power to administer oaths to persons appearing before it; that said committee shall have power to employ such stenographers, clerks and other assistants as it may deem necessary, and to fix the compensation of such persons as it shall employ; that said committee shall have power to hold such meetings at such places and at such times as it shall deem most expedient. Be it further

*Resolved*, That each member of said committee shall be reimbursed by the state for his actual and necessary expenses incurred while in the performance of duties hereby assigned, but shall receive no compensation for time devoted to the work of said committee.

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[No. 89, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 69.

Relating to the biennial report of the state forester.

WHEREAS, The biennial report of the state forester does not present for the use of the legislature any of the financial transactions of that department; and

WHEREAS, It is most important that the cost of the lands purchased and the expenditures made in the several branches of the state forester's work shall be available for legislative use; therefore be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring*, That the state forester be, and he is hereby directed to furnish to this legislature as soon as convenient, and hereafter publish in his biennial report, a statement of the several amounts received and the sources from which received, and a statement showing the classified expenditures of his department in each of the lines of work undertaken by him; the number of acres of land bought, the number of acres held under option or contract, together with the names of the persons, firms or corporations from whom purchased, in all cases, and the commission paid or agreed to be paid, if any, with the section, town, and range where located, and the price per acre paid for the same, and the last assessment thereon; the number of acres sold, and the price received therefor, and the cost thereof, with the year of purchase; the

number of acres of land donated, and by whom donated; the total number of acres owned by the state, and the total amount invested therein; and all such other facts as shall fully disclose the entire financial transactions of this department; the information to be furnished so as to show separately the said amounts for each of the several counties in the state.

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[No. 28, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 70.

To amend article IX of the constitution, by adding thereto four new sections.

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That article IX of the constitution be amended by adding thereto four new sections to read: Section 4. The fee to all lands now or hereafter owned or held by the state and which now are or hereafter may become a part of the state forest reserve shall forever remain in the state.

Section 5. The fee to all lands bordering on any meandered or non-meandered stream, river, pond, or lake, navigable in fact for any purpose whatsoever, which now are or which hereafter may be owned or held by the state to the extent of one chain on every side thereof, together with such additional area as the legislature may by law provide for any public use or purpose, including water power and reservoir uses and purposes, shall forever remain in the state, and any leases of said lands shall reserve to the people the right of access to such lands and all rights necessary to the full enjoyment of such waters.

Section 6. In all grants or conveyances of land hereafter made by the state to individuals or corporations the state expressly reserves all mineral rights, water power rights, rights of flowage, and reservoir rights; and such rights in all lands now or hereafter owned or held by the state shall never be alienated.

Section 7. The right to cut and remove timber or the right to mine and remove minerals from any lands now or hereafter owned or held by the state shall never be granted to private persons or corporations except by affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members-elect of both houses of the legislature.