

provided. Notice thereof shall be given by mail or telegram to each bank in this state not later than the day following the effective date thereof.

SECTION 2. An emergency having existed on March 2, 1933, and now existing in the affairs of all banks in this state, which, if allowed to continue, will seriously affect the depositors and creditors of such banks and the public welfare and safety, the action of the governor in declaring each and all of the days between Friday, March 3, and ending at midnight on Thursday, March 16, 1933, legal holidays and that during said period and on each of the said days all banks in this state be closed, and the action of the governor thereafter in modifying said declaration, and the action of the banking review board and the commissioner of banking with respect thereto, and any and all action by them within the purview of this act prior to the publication of this act, are hereby confirmed and validated; but nothing herein contained shall prevent modifications of any such action in accordance with this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall apply to national banking associations only to the extent permitted by law.

SECTION 4. The banking review board is empowered to make such rules and regulations as it shall deem necessary in order to carry out the provisions of this act.

SECTION 5. Any statute of this state in conflict with such proclamation, declaration, direction or limitation or in conflict with any plan or arrangement approved hereunder shall be deemed inapplicable thereto.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved March 10, 1933.

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CHAPTER 30.

AN ACT to create sections 220.20 to 220.23 of the statutes, relating to the issuance of bank, state, and municipal scrip in emergencies, and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Four new sections are added to the statutes to read: 220.20 BANK SCRIP IN EMERGENCIES. (1) Whenever the

governor shall determine that an emergency exists in the affairs of the banks which, in the interests of the depositors and creditors and the general welfare of the state, requires the banking business of such banks to be conducted, in whole or in part, on a credit basis, the banking review board may authorize the commissioner of banking to print and issue scrip for the transaction of the banking business of such banks during such emergency. Such scrip shall be allotted to the state banks and trust companies on such terms and conditions as the banking review board and the commissioner of banking may deem advisable, and shall be secured by such assets of the banks as the board and the commissioner find to be adequate to insure their redemption at par when the banking review board shall find the use of scrip to be no longer necessary. The banking review board and the commissioner of banking shall adopt rules and regulations governing the distribution of scrip to the depositors and other creditors of the banks and trust companies.

(2) The banking review board and the commissioner of banking shall also have authority in emergencies to authorize clearing house associations to issue scrip for the use of member banks, upon conditions and under rules and regulations approved by the board and the commissioner.

(3) No clearing house association, bank, or trust company shall issue or distribute to its depositors and other creditors any scrip except as authorized by the banking review board and the commissioner of banking pursuant to this section.

(4) The commissioner of banking shall forthwith take possession of the property and business of any bank or trust company which shall fail to redeem at par any scrip which it has issued and distributed after the banking review board shall have declared the emergency requiring the issuance of such scrip to have ended. Upon taking possession of such bank, the commissioner shall liquidate its business and property, as provided in section 220.08. All assets of such defaulting bank not pledged prior to the issuance of such scrip, shall be subject to a first lien for the redemption thereof.

(5) Any scrip issued pursuant to this section shall be receivable at par in payment of any taxes, special assessments or other obligations due the state or any of its political subdivisions.

220.21 STATE SCRIP. The governor, with the approval of the emergency board, may in emergencies when the banking business of any or all of the public depositories is transacted on a scrip basis, direct the commissioner of banking to issue scrip to the state treasurer for payment of salaries and other obligations of the state in such amounts as may be necessary, but not exceeding the aggregate balance of the state deposits in sound banks operating on a scrip basis, as determined by the banking review board and the commissioner of banking. The governor, with the approval of the emergency board, shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing the amounts and conditions on which such scrip may be issued and distributed.

220.22 COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL SCRIP. In emergencies, when money on deposit in public depositories by counties and other municipalities are unavailable because of the stabilization of such depositories, such counties and municipalities may issue scrip for the payment of salaries and other obligations in amounts not exceeding the aggregate of such unavailable balances. The banking review board and the commissioner of banking shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing the amounts and conditions on which such scrip may be issued and distributed.

220.23 PENALTY FOR UNLAWFUL ISSUANCE. Any person who shall utter, print or distribute any paper instrument or document of any kind for use as scrip under the provisions of sections 220.20 to 220.23, which has not been authorized as provided in these sections, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding ten years and by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved March 10, 1933.

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CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT to create section 206.50 of the statutes, relating to emergency powers of the commissioner of insurance with approval of the governor.

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