

CHAPTER 331.

AN ACT to provide for a county teachers' institute fund.

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

SECTION 1. Any applicant presenting himself for examination by any county superintendent of schools for a certificate entitling him to teach in the county superintendent's district shall, before such examination is entered upon, pay to the said county superintendent an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 2. Any person making application to any county superintendent for the issuance of a certificate based upon papers written in an examination held in another superintendent's district, under the provisions of section 450 of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes, shall, before the issuance of such certificate, pay to the county superintendent to whom the application is made an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 3. Any graduate of a high school making application to any county superintendent for the countersigning of his certificate of graduation or diploma, under the provisions of section 452a, chapter 311, laws of 1885, shall, before such certificate of graduation or diploma shall be countersigned and delivered, pay to the county superintendent to whom the application is made an examination fee of one dollar.

SECTION 4. All moneys paid to the county superintendent under the provisions of this act shall constitute an institute fund, and shall be used under the direction of the county superintendent in defraying the necessary expenses, in whole or in part, of conducting one or more teachers' institutes annually for the instruction

of the teachers in his district in the theory and art of teaching and in the branches taught in the common schools; and in compensation for lectures at such institutes by others than the conductors and county superintendent.

County superintendent to make annual statement, what to contain.

SECTION 5. The county superintendent shall annually make and file with the county clerk of the county within which he resides a statement, verified by his affidavit, giving the names of all persons examined by him since the beginning of the term he is then serving or since the date of his last statement, together with the dates when such persons were examined. He shall also embody in the same statement the names of all persons to whom certificates have been issued upon papers written in another superintendent's district and the dates when such certificates were issued, and also the names of all persons, graduates of high schools, whose diplomas he has countersigned, together with the dates of countersigning. At the expiration of his term of office the county superintendent shall file with the county clerk a sworn statement similar to those hereinbefore provided for in this section, covering the time from the close of his last regular series of examinations to the close of his term, and he shall embody in such statement a summary, giving the number of persons in each of the three classes herein named, and of all the persons so reported by him to the county clerk during his term of office; the amount of fees received by him during his term of office, the amount paid out by him, and the amount remaining in his hands. And he shall pay over to his successor in office all moneys thus remaining in his hands at the expiration of his term of office.

To account for moneys collected.

SECTION 6. All moneys collected by the county superintendent, under the provisions of this act shall be paid out each year for the purposes specified in section 4 of this act, and for no other purposes. Each payment shall be entered in a book kept by the county superintendent for that purpose, which shall be open to public inspection, and be by him delivered to

his successor in office, and shall be accompanied by a statement of the name of the person to whom the payment is made, and the character of the service rendered, or material furnished. No money shall be paid for services rendered as an instructor in any institute unless the person rendering such service shall hold a certificate signed by the state superintendent certifying that the committee on institutes of the board of regents of normal schools approves of said person as a competent institute instructor. The said committee on teachers' institutes is hereby authorized and directed to prepare annually and transmit to each county superintendent in the state, a list of persons approved by the committee for service in the institutes herein provided for.

SECTION 7. The county board shall require ^{To give bonds.} the county superintendent to give bonds with good and sufficient sureties for the proper performance of the duties prescribed by this act in an amount which shall not be less than twice the amount likely to be collected and disbursed by him annually, under this act.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 19, 1895.