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CHAPTER 595.

AN ACT to provide for publishing a new edition of certain reports of the adjutant general and other official state papers, letters, and documents made during and relating to the Civil War, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

SECTION 1. A new edition of the reports of the adjutant general of the state and other official state papers, letters, and documents made during and relating to the Civil War is hereby authorized to be edited and printed under the editorial supervision of the chairman of the history commission, the private secretary to the governor, and the adjutant general. The editors shall have the liberty to omit such portions as are no longer deemed of historic value and may include in such report by way of notes or otherwise such letters and reports relating to said Civil War period now on file in the several state offices, to the end that all valuable historical papers, letters, messages, and documents of such period be made accessible to the public in convenient form.

SECTION 2. As soon as the copy for such publication is prepared the same shall be printed by the state printer and bound in such form and in such numbers not to exceed twenty-five hundred as shall be determined by the editors, subject to the approval of the governor, each public library, each public educational institution maintaining a library, each elective state officer, each member of the legislature, each supervising editor shall, through the usual channels, be supplied with a copy and twenty-five copies to the state historical society; the remainder of the edition printed shall be retained in the custody of the superintendent of public property, to be sold at cost price including cost of delivery to the individual.

SECTION 3. The editorial work, as far as same can be, shall be done by persons already in the employ of the several departments, but compensation to the chairman of the history commission for services and expenses when allowed by the governor shall be audited and paid as other accounts and claims are allowed and paid.

SECTION 4. A sum not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars to carry out the provisions of this act is hereby appropriated out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved July 7, 1911. •