Important Acts of the Thirty-Second General Assembly

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IMPORTANT ACTS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Among the more important general provisions passed by the Thirty-second General Assembly, and most of which went into effect July 4, 1907, there should be named the following:

Chapter 48, for the government of cities of a population exceeding twenty-five thousand by commission, with provision for the initiative, referendum and recall, and for a civil service commission.

Chapter 50, requiring candidates for nomination by political parties to file sworn statements of disbursements made in furtherance of candidacies.

Chapter 51, providing for the nomination of party candidates, convention delegates, and the election of party committeemen by primary elections.

Chapter 71, providing against the issuing of capital stock of a corporation for pecuniary benefit for any consideration except its par value in money, unless the corporation shall first obtain leave of the Executive Council of the State; application for such leave must be accompanied by a statement of the amount of stock proposed to be issued and the property or other consideration proposed to be accepted in exchange therefor.

Chapter 73, preventing the contribution by corporations to the expense of political campaigns, or the solicitation of funds therefor from corporations.

Chapter 76, providing an Iowa standard fire insurance policy.

Chapter 79, providing against the incorporation of any insurance company for a smaller capital stock than one hundred thousand dollars actually paid up.

Chapter 86, providing against the admission of any fraternal beneficiary insurance company to do business in the State unless its assessment rates are at least equal to those approved by the national fraternal congress.

Chapter 102, classifying railroads by earnings of four thousand dollars and upwards per mile; three thousand and under four, and less than three thousand, and providing the
maximum legal passenger rate per mile for the respective classes to be two, two and one-half and three cents per mile.

Chapter 111, providing such a freight rate over connecting railroad lines between points within the State as would be the rate were the points on the same line.

Chapter 112, providing against the issuance of free transportation by common carriers.

Chapter 116, declaring express companies to be common carriers and empowering the Board of Railroad Commissioners to fix, regulate and enforce rates.

Chapter 147, establishing a State sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis.

Chapter 148, authorizing the State educational board to issue State certificates to teachers graduated from higher institutions of learning.

Chapter 149, empowering the validation by the State educational board of teachers' certificates issued by the departments of other states.

Chapter 160, defining warehousemen and authorizing and regulating the issuance, negotiation and transfer of warehouse receipts.

Chapter 161, preventing divorcees from marrying within one year from and except by permission granted in the decree or where the parties desire to re-marry.

Chapter 170, providing a penalty for the desertion of wife or children.

Chapters 176 to 180, inclusive, providing for pure drugs and pure food.

Chapter 192, establishing a board of parole and providing indeterminate sentences for crime.

Among the appropriation measures of most general interest are the following:

Chapter 221, for the compiling of a supplement to the Code of 1897 to embrace all laws subsequent thereto.

Chapter 223, providing for the compilation of a roster of all Iowa soldiers and sailors and marines in the war with Mexico, the Rebellion, Spanish-American, Philippine and border wars.

Chapter 226, providing for the placing of a statue of James Harlan in the national statuary hall.