

NEW LAWS ENACTED BY FORTYETH SESSION NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE

LONGEST SESSION ON RECORD IS BROUGHT TO CLOSE AFTER NINETY DAYS OF STRENUOUS WORK BY HOUSE AND SENATE MEMBERS

MORE THAN THREE HUNDRED BILLS HAVE BEEN PASSED

Movie Censorship and the Twenty-two Million Dollar Appropriation Bills are Held Up Until the Last Moment—Debate on these Measures Delays the Final Adjournment for Several Days

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A brief digest of the laws and resolutions enacted by the 40th Session of the Nebraska Legislature. Laws followed by the word "Emergency" took effect on approval by the Governor and are now in full force and effect. All other laws become effective three calendar months after final adjournment of the Legislature therefor approximately July 28th, 1921.

SENATE FILES

S. F. 2—Extends workmen's compensation laws to peace officers of cities, towns and counties.
S. F. 7—Authorizing verdict in civil cases by 5/6 of jury.
S. F. 10—Removes regulation of irrigation water rates from jurisdiction of State Railway Commission.
S. F. 23—Joint memorial to Congress praying development of Great Lakes-St. Lawrence ocean waterway.
S. F. 27—Grants right to bring quo warranto proceedings in any election when law officer fails or refuses to act.
S. F. 29—Omaha Water and Utility district authorized to extend water or gas mains and charge expense to property benefited.
S. F. 30—Creating Omaha Metropolitan Utilities district to vote 6% bonds for extension or improvement of utilities under its control.
S. F. 32—Increases fees of county judge in probate matters.
S. F. 34—Authorizes county attorney of Douglas county to appoint a chief clerk.
S. F. 36—Authorizes cities of 1st and 2nd class and villages to vote bonds for municipal light and heating plants.
S. F. 48—Increases penalties for issue of fraudulent check.
S. F. 50—Gives school districts rights and powers of eminent domain.
S. F. 51—Uniform procedure in actions to quiet title to real estate and cancel unenforceable liens.
S. F. 52—Penalty of life imprisonment for third conviction for felony within 10 years.
S. F. 60—Grading potatoes for ear-rot shipment.
S. F. 61—Increases salary of reporters of district courts to \$2,750.
S. F. 63—Amending law relating to qualifications of jurors in Douglas county.
S. F. 65—New Revenue law.
S. F. 77—Minors under 18 years forbidden in pool halls.
S. F. 80—County authorized to make independent investigation in case of divorce by default or where minor children are concerned.
S. F. 81—Amending age to 16 years in law relating to child stealing.
S. F. 82—Amending law relating to 16 years in law relating to child abandonment.
S. F. 84—Prohibits advertising in any manner of cure for private, or venereal diseases.
S. F. 87—Minimum penalty for incest 20 years. Adult's penalty increased from 5 to 15 years imprisonment.
S. F. 88—Increased penalties for enticing any female to enter house of prostitution or assignation. Penalty 3 to 10 years.
S. F. 89—Felony to entice female to life of prostitution.
S. F. 94—Providing compulsory institutional care for woman about to become a mother. Milford Woman's Home designated.
S. F. 95—Makes 21 years the age of marriage for females unless married between the ages of 18 and 21.
S. F. 97—Amends law relating to guardian and ward. Parents entitled to custody, services and earnings of minors.
S. F. 99—Provides right of appeal from judgment order on attachment or execution.
S. F. 100—Grants right of eminent domain to 5 or more persons organizing corporation for the promotion of any of the fine arts.
S. F. 102—Increases salaries of deputy sheriffs in Douglas county at \$2,800, \$2,900 and \$1,750.
S. F. 106—Provides assistant public defender in Omaha and appointment of same by the public defender.
S. F. 108—Authorizing the practice of Christian Science Healing so long as they do not prescribe drugs nor medicines nor perform surgical operations nor claim to be physicians or surgeons and submit to the quarantine laws of the state.
S. F. 113—County may on petition hold election on question of dispensing with office of county assessor. County clerk to act as county assessor in case office is abolished.
S. F. 114—The warehouse-on-the-farm law, providing inspection and negotiable certificate for grain stored on the farm.
S. F. 115—State Superintendent of Public Instruction to have 4 year term of office beginning with election in 1923.
S. F. 118—Appropriating interest income on unclaimed Spanish-American war fund to use of that organization.
S. F. 120—Joint memorial to Congress praying for establishment of National board of censors for moving pictures.
S. F. 121—Granting right of way on public highways to all persons buying or selling electric energy.
S. F. 123—Maximum school levy in towns over 1,500 increased to 2 1/2 mills.
S. F. 128—Repeals exemption of state banks under Federal reserve system, from state banking laws.
S. F. 129—Authorizes suit against county failing to pay share of state aid or county line bridge.
S. F. 137—Prohibits aliens from owning or possessing fire-arms.
S. F. 140—Returning depositors guarantee fund to liquidated state banks remaining after three years from date of liquidation and eight years after date of bank charter.
S. F. 146—Gives State Railway Commission jurisdiction over all railway crossings outside of incorporated cities and towns.
S. F. 148—Co-operative warehouse storage for members not required to give usual bond.
S. F. 149—Requires county boards to provide rooms for Compensation Commission when holding county hearings.
S. F. 151—Provides for probate of will after two years from date of death of testator.
S. F. 154—Adding two judges to the 4th judicial district, consisting of Douglas, Burt and Washington counties.
S. F. 160—Amendment strengthening the human language law forbidding teaching of

foreign language in any school under 8th grade.
S. F. 163—Increased penalty for perjury to maximum of 14 years imprisonment.
S. F. 169—Authorizes incorporation of state societies of lawyers, doctors, students, architects, engineers and army and navy veterans.
S. F. 170—Bars claims against estate after one year in probate.
S. F. 172—Repeals the law authorizing temporary permits for sale of untested tractors. University must test tractor before sale is lawful.
S. F. 175—Method of valuation of bonds deposited by insurance companies with the state to guarantee obligations of domestic companies.
S. F. 176—County boards must elect a chairman in January. Seniority rule abolished.
S. F. 180—New road improvement district law for counties under 40,000.
S. F. 185—Amendment of prohibition enforcement act. Forbids possession of utensils of the home which may be used for distillation, and, recipes for home brew.
S. F. 187—Judgment of district court in criminal case not to be set aside by supreme court for error if substantial justice has been done.
S. F. 189—Creates State Park Board.
S. F. 192—Permits counties to bid on state and Federal road work if equipped to do the work.
S. F. 193—Authorizes county boards to pay "going wages" for road work.
S. F. 194—Creates state racing commission to serve without pay. Regulate and license racing associations.
S. F. 196—Regulates manufacture and sale of soft drinks.
S. F. 197—Law to encourage and protect home industry.
S. F. 198—State insane hospitals renamed to agree with name of city of location.
S. F. 200—Authorizes counties to build dykes, etc., as flood protection.
S. F. 202—Requires water-measuring weir in interstate ditches.
S. F. 204—Irrigation improvement plans must be approved by department of public works before Auditor may register the bonds.
S. F. 205—No lands may be included or excluded by irrigation district until the act is approved by Department of Public Works.
S. F. 207—Requires copy of petition and description of lands proposed to be added or included in irrigation district to be filed with Department of Public Works for approval.
S. F. 208—Revision of Omaha city charter which Omaha has full legal right to do but has been unable to accomplish.
S. F. 210—Repeals law which vacates position of executrix or administratrix if she marries.
S. F. 216—Board of State Normal Schools given authority to prescribe course of instruction in State Normal schools.
S. F. 219—Repeals war-time law protecting soldiers and sailors from civil suits in courts.
S. F. 220—Provides method of increasing school tax limit from 35 to 100 mills in rural school districts.
S. F. 223—Defines powers of State Normal board. Prescribes teachers certificates issued to graduates of Normals and length of time same are valid.
S. F. 224—Abolishes corpus proceedings may be reviewed by supreme court as other civil proceedings.
S. F. 225—Bonded limit for municipal light, heat water and power in cities of 5,000 to 25,000 increased from \$150,000 to \$250,000.
S. F. 227—Prohibiting so-called "ambulance chasing" by lawyers for purpose of bringing suit for personal damages.
S. F. 233—Salary of clerk, supreme court, \$5,000; reporter, \$4,000, to date from January 1.
S. F. 243—Requires railroads to furnish certain accommodations for care-takers in transit with live stock.
S. F. 244—Broadens jurisdiction of judge sitting in chambers.
S. F. 253—Abolishing emergency certificates for teachers; life certificates to lapse after three years of non-teaching.
S. F. 254—Reduces percentage of butterfat in ice cream manufactured for shipment outside the state.
S. F. 256—Designates Nebraska and Besse divisions of Nebraska National Forest as National game refuge.
S. F. 258—County Judge to pay into county general fund all unclaimed fees and legacies at end of ten years.
S. F. 266—City funds, cities of second class and villages, must be deposited in local banks and draw minimum of 2 per cent interest.
S. F. 268—Legalizing certain improvements made by Dodge county district.
S. F. 269—Authorizes Douglas county to reimburse officials who lost personal property in the Court House riot.
S. F. 270—Extended revision of pure food and drug act.
S. F. 271—New inspection law for oil and gasoline.
S. F. 278—Authorizes University to manufacture, purchase, sell and distribute hog-cholera serum.
S. F. 279—Making it a felony to knowingly falsify a public utility record used in a rate hearing.
S. F. 280—Authorizing Douglas county to increase school taxes from 50 to 65 mills.
S. F. 283—Resolution memorializing Congress to enact law making effective the Norris right-of-way Act of 1913, annulled by court decision.
S. F. 282—Act creating new Board of Pardons and Parole to conform to new Constitution and prescribing duties and procedure.
S. F. 288—Amends law relating to appeal to district court in cases of commitment to insane hospital.
S. F. 293—Minor amendments to school district consolidation law.
S. F. 296—Authorizes University to appoint a conservation director for the study of oil and gas possibilities in the state.
S. F. 305—Uniform voters registration law for all voters throughout the state.
S. F. 311—Regulating private employment agencies.
S. F. 312—Reorganizes State Board of Vocational Education.
S. F. 319—Two cities of 2nd class or villages may join in erection of electric power and light plant outside corporate limits.
S. F. 326—Authorizes Secretary of State to publish the laws passed by each session of the legislature.
S. F. 327—Provides for annual state school tax of 5 mills.
S. F. 332—Adjustment of bonded debt of school district which becomes part of consolidated district.
S. F. 334—County board fix salary of highway commissioner in counties under 60,000 population.
S. F. 338—Method of cancellation of lease on state land for park purposes.
S. F. 349—Advance deposits of picture exhibitors for films bought on contract to be held in trust within the state.
S. F. 350—City 2nd class, village and county boards may refund bonds due at rate of 6% interest.
S. F. 351—County authorized to appoint officer of state banking department as receiver of failed bank.
HOUSE ROLLS
H. R. 3—Requires county clerks to keep record of discharge of all soldiers of the World War and to present to him and to record same without charge.
H. R. 8—Preventing waste or destruction of food stuffs and method of inspection, condemnation and disposal thereof.
H. R. 12—Gives all included territory the right to participate in the election of members of Board of Directors of the Omaha Utilities District.
H. R. 14—Provides for assessment of real estate in April 1921, 1922 and every two years thereafter.
H. R. 15—County boards authorized to contract for lands, including live stock, where nature of the public highway is such that road would be injured by such use.
H. R. 20—Tuition fees to be paid by non-resident pupils of High School districts.
H. R. 24—Standard loaf bread law requires bread offered for sale to be baked in one pound; one and one-half pound and multiples of one pound loaves. Excess weight of 2 ounces allowed.
H. R. 25—Makes women eligible to serve on village boards.
H. R. 50—Special surveys made by county boards to be under the direction of the state surveyor assisted by county surveyor.
H. R. 65—Authorizing the sale of real estate owned by irrigation districts and providing procedure.
H. R. 68—Salary of deputy register of deeds of Douglas county to be \$2,000, addition of deputies limited to \$1,800.
H. R. 69—Provides for the registration of Omaha city bonds in the office of the city comptroller of Omaha.
H. R. 62—Amends primary election law.
H. R. 64—Revision of auto headlight to conform with lights.
H. R. 65—Revision of state banking law. Requires bank officers to be licensed by Department of Trade and Commerce which license may be withheld at discretion of department.
H. R. 68—Fixes pay of judges and clerks of election at 30 cents per hour.
H. R. 69—Provides for double election boards in Douglas county and makes women eligible to service thereon.
H. R. 70—Increase in salary of all county judges.
H. R. 76—Appropriates \$64,700 for legislative expenses, employees wages and mileage of members of 40th session.
H. R. 77—Appropriates \$116,100 for salaries of senators and representatives and elective officers of the 40th session.
H. R. 84—Creates board of juvenile research for minors requiring institutional care.
H. R. 85—Revision of law relating to feeble minded children.
H. R. 89—Requires county boards to care for dependent children and destitute pregnant women elsewhere than in a poor house.
H. R. 98—Revision of law relating to reclamation of neglected children.
H. R. 99—Repeal of law of 1913 relating to appointment of guardians.
H. R. 100—Revision of compulsory school-attendance law.
H. R. 101—Establishes "part time" schools for employed children between 14 and 18.
H. R. 102—Providing state aid for weak school districts.
H. R. 116—Repeal of law requiring school districts to furnish free transportation to pupils attending outside district near to the home school.
H. R. 126—Makes second class cities and villages single voting districts and forbids division for election purposes.
H. R. 127—Assessment of all property for taxation, including crop, emergency.
H. R. 130—Per-capita aid to county fairs based on Federal census.
H. R. 131—Requires county assessors to furnish precinct assessor with list of all owners of motor vehicles in the precinct for purposes of assessment of the same.
H. R. 134—Limits authority of county surveyor in location of lines and corners and requires all testimony relating thereto to be reduced to writing and signed by the witness.
H. R. 135—Repeals law authorizing the governor to pardon two convicts on July 4th of each year.
H. R. 137—Requires county surveyor to record all surveys made and distinguish between rights of land and water work. Prohibits establishing independent lines for those fixed by original survey.
H. R. 138—Alien land-ownership law.
H. R. 139—Requires precinct assessor to collect and report crop statistics for state department of agriculture.
H. R. 144—Holder of "encumbrance" must have notice when real estate sold for taxes.
H. R. 147—Applicant for notarial commission must be 21 years of age and make oath to having read the laws relating to duties of notary.
H. R. 149—Permits gift of land for public road within 5 miles of any city and authorizes county board to accept and improve the road.
H. R. 154—American Legion "boxing law". Licenses athletic bouts.
H. R. 156—Permits Lincoln city school board to fix date of its meetings and provides new regulation for adding claims.
H. R. 159—Authorizing the incorporation of the American Legion and its women auxiliaries.
H. R. 162—Authorizing Dawson county to levy special tax to pay bridge warrants and interest aggregating \$30,550.
H. R. 163—Authorizes all school districts to establish day school for the deaf where there are five or more such pupils.
H. R. 164—Authorizes increased interest rate of 6% on \$5,000,000 Omaha district school bonds.
H. R. 175—Legalizing proceedings in Valley county in construction of Court House and Jail. Authorizes \$100,000 in warrants at 7% pending special tax levy to extend over 5 years.
H. R. 177—Admits children of legislators and other officials of the state, required by official duty to live in Lincoln, to school privileges in the Lincoln city district without charge for tuition.
H. R. 181—Department of Public Works given right of condemnation of lands desired for state highways.
H. R. 182—Providing two-year terms for mayor, clerk and treasurer in cities of 1,000 to 5,000.
H. R. 184—Appropriating \$200 for grave-stone for Stephen Archibald of Hitchcock county whose estate escheated to the state.
H. R. 187—Penalty of ten to twenty-five years imprisonment for person attempting bank hold-up.
H. R. 188—Lancaster county assessor authorized to prepare the tax list and complete same.
H. R. 190—Fixes pay of Douglas county clerk for making tax lists.
H. R. 193—Gives state banking department discretion to refuse application for establishment of new bank if locality has sufficient banking facilities and to fix guar-antee fund assessment to be paid by banks organized since April 4, 1919.
H. R. 195—Defines "mixed shipments" of live stock and minimum weight of car load fixed at 17,000 pounds for 36 ft. car.
H. R. 196—Provides for special election on petition to officials in any road district to vote on levying a tax up to 6 mills for road improvement.
H. R. 197—Requires established corners of original survey to be taken as basis of any survey.
H. R. 199—Method of collection of inheritance tax. Limits tax lien to the property inherited.
H. R. 201—Revision of weights and measures law.
H. R. 204—Authorizes mayor or any other person to hold office of city manager in cities of 5,000 to 25,000.
H. R. 205—Increasing salary of deputy court clerk in Lancaster county to \$2,400.
H. R. 206—Authorizes all cities to issue bonds to acquire lands for aviation fields and hangars.
H. R. 215—Requires birth certificates to conform to rules and forms of state health bureau and Federal census requirements.
H. R. 217—Raises mileage fees of sheriffs to 20 cents and bond rate to 75 cents if prisoners number less than 100.
H. R. 222—Repeals general demurrage law and imposes fine on railroad failing to furnish cars after five days.
H. R. 226—Raises liability rate of fire insurance companies to 50% of premiums received on unexpired risks.
H. R. 232—Appropriating a sum equal to the federal aid (about \$25,000) for vocational education of persons disabled in industry or otherwise.
H. R. 233—Repeals old South Omaha charter and reaffirms all rights and privileges accruing from consolidation with city of Omaha.
H. R. 234—Publication Revised statutes.
H. R. 236—Amends law relating to fees for filing articles of incorporation.
H. R. 237—Failure of corporation to pay occupation tax for three years shall operate as dissolution of the corporation.
H. R. 239—Repeals laws governing Lincoln city school district.
H. R. 240—Authorizes incorporation of an extended list of "Greek-letter" college fraternities and sororities.
H. R. 241—Creates jewelers lien on articles left for repair.
H. R. 242—Repealing law authorizing the use of voting machines.
H. R. 243—Changes designation of judges and school officers ballot from "non-partisan" to "non-political".
H. R. 257—Providing a Justice of the Peace shall be elected in any city or village having 1,000 inhabitants or more.
H. R. 261—Amends law relating to county boards of health, defines powers and requires enforcement of rules of State Welfare department.
H. R. 262—Revision of the general election law.
H. R. 266—Governor to appoint special commission of three to study the laws governing public bonded indebtedness and report to the next session of the legislature.
H. R. 273—Amends law relating to organization of domestic insurance Co. E.
H. R. 276—Authorizing a land tract in York county for relocation of State Reformatory for Women.
H. R. 278—Records of board of dental examiners shall be kept in Welfare department and made available to state treasurer.
H. R. 281—Rate for publication of legal notices, 10 cents line 8 point.
H. R. 284—Cities of second class may employ special engineer to make estimates for proposed municipal improvements.
H. R. 285—Provides for copies of birth certificates without charge.
H. R. 289—Appropriation of \$2,500 for relief of George Allshouse for injuries received at the Penitentiary while acting under the orders of the officer in charge.
H. R. 299—Publisher first affidavit April and October, showing circulation and length of time published.
H. R. 300—Makes November 11th, "Armistice Day" a legal holiday.
H. R. 301—Liability insurance concerns insuring premises shall file report of inspection with state Labor department.
H. R. 303—Requires labeling of all agricultural seeds with common name, purity and general character.
H. R. 307—Authorizes all cities to appropriate one-tenth of one per cent of assessed valuation for advertising resources of the town.
H. R. 310—Annual meeting of State Poultry Association to be held in January. Managers may designate the place of meeting.
H. R. 311—Provision for filling temporary vacancy in county offices until a successor is appointed or elected and fully qualified.
H. R. 313—Taxes levied for the payment of city or village bonds shall be retained by county treasurer and used only for payment of principal and interest on the bonds.
H. R. 318—County boards erect railings on all bridges and keep painted white.
H. R. 328—Registered warrants of drainage districts to draw 7% interest.
H. R. 329—County superintendent of instruction may suspend date of holding teachers' institute. Session two to three days. School boards to pay salaries for "sane" teachers are in attendance.
H. R. 337—Legalizing certain improvements made by Ord, Valley county and validating the bonds in payment of same.
H. R. 339—Adds two judges to Omaha Municipal court.
H. R. 340—Abolishes police magistrates in Omaha.
H. R. 341—Creates a "presiding judge" for Omaha municipal courts.
H. R. 342—Abolishes office of Justice of the Peace in Omaha after present terms expire.
H. R. 344—Revised motor vehicle tax law providing collection by the county; state to furnish the number-license plates.
H. R. 345—Divides motor vehicle tax 3 1/2% to state and 9 1/2% to the county collecting same.
H. R. 355—Provides for maintenance of volunteer fire companies or departments by taxation in cities and towns where located.
H. R. 368—Provides for the organization of the reclamation districts for the protection of crops and pasturage.
H. R. 371—Amends law relating to construction and repair of drainage ditches in organized districts and providing for organization.
H. R. 377—Authorizes second class cities and villages to use concrete or vitrified pipe in construction of sewers.
H. R. 379—Douglas county board may repair roads adjoining Omaha and pay cost.
H. R. 380—Validates paving bonds issued in past without legal authority by cities of 2nd class and villages.
H. R. 385—Fixes specific gravity standard for turpentine.
H. R. 385—Fixes standard for linned oil and requires labeling as to "raw" or "blended".
H. R. 388—Appropriates \$500 for relief of C. E. Olson of Wahoo for accident on state highway.
H. R. 390—Provides for nomination and election of members of school board in districts of more than 500 inhabitants.
H. R. 399—General revision of the fish and game laws of the state.
H. R. 400—Provides for nomination and election of members of school board in districts of more than 500 inhabitants.
H. R. 403—Fixes salary of Board of Control at \$4,000.
H. R. 404—Increases salary for secretaries to the governor, board of control and railway commission and of deputies to elective state officers.
H. R. 406—Provides for organization and

incorporation of parishes of the Episcopal church and conduct of their business.
H. R. 408—Revision of "Blue Sky" law.
H. R. 411—Provides for consolidation of Lincoln and suburban towns subject to vote of approval by each municipality.
H. R. 415—Appropriating income of \$2,000 for benefit of disabled "world-war" veterans.
H. R. 419—Foreign insurance Co. make satisfactory report.
H. R. 424—Appropriates \$10,000 for state fish hatchery in Lincoln or Garden county.
H. R. 425—Provides for automatic continuance of criminal bond from term to term until case is disposed of finally.
H. R. 429—Court authorized to execute contract made by deceased grantor for sale of land.
H. R. 432—Limits authority to mortgage trust estates to the amount of debts, mortgages and costs of administration.
H. R. 436—State horticultural society may hold annual meeting at any date chosen by the board of managers.
H. R. 440—Amendment state hall insurance law.
H. R. 453—Appropriates \$4,500 for relief of family of probation officer Sexton killed in Omaha.
H. R. 455—Authorizes irrigation district boards to create sinking fund and levy up to 25 mills to pay bonded indebtedness.
H. R. 461—Requires highway commissioners and road overseers to perpetuate corners in most permanent manner.
H. R. 462—Appropriating \$1,500 for relief of J. V. Dunn of Cozad injured in construction of state highway.
H. R. 466—State public lands board may reallocate state lands under lease at discretion.
H. R. 467—Resolution declaring John G. Neidhart post-laureate of Nebraska.
H. R. 474—Authorizes sale of isolated school lands of less than 40 acres tracts on expiration of present lease.
H. R. 477—Imprisonment of 1 to 3 years for jail-breaking.
H. R. 478—New "voting by mail" law.
H. R. 482—Creates state bureau of criminal identification.
H. R. 483—Provides for building a state Reformatory. Limits cost to \$300,000.
H. R. 484—New law regulating employment of convicts.
H. R. 487—Board of Public Works must furnish counties with estimate of cost of bridge construction.
H. R. 488—Limits refunding bonds to total debt.
H. R. 489—Authorizes state Highway commission to purchase land and machinery to produce building and road material.
H. R. 490—Requires advertising of highway building project before state or Federal funds can be expended thereon.
H. R. 492—Secretary of Finance to prepare state budget under direction of governor.
H. R. 493—Requires county treasurer to remit state tax money to state treasurer monthly. Final annual settlement of June 30th prior to August 1st.
H. R. 494—State "fiscal year" to date from July 1st.
H. R. 496—Abolishes state "mill" levies. Reverses special sums in appropriations.
H. R. 497—Regulating sale of supreme court reports and disposition of fees.
H. R. 498—Repeals limit on state levy. Legislature shall produce sum of legislative appropriations.
H. R. 500—Duties and responsibility of hotel keepers as to valuables of guests.
H. R. 501—Relating to losses of linen and providing for registered trade-marks for linens.
H. R. 505—New code governing all sales of merchandise.
H. R. 522—Interest stricken from tax due over ten years when paid up in full.
H. R. 514—Donates about 60 acres of salina lands near Lincoln to the city for park purposes.
H. R. 525—Appeal in police court cases limited to 24 hours.
H. R. 527—Reduces salary of Lancaster county drainage trustees to \$400 per year.
H. R. 529—Amendment to law governing state appropriation of state school funds.
H. R. 530—Amends law relating to proper designation of defendants in legal proceedings.
H. R. 531—Amends law of constructive legal service on unknown heirs.
H. R. 532—Revision of law relating to service by publication in legal actions.
H. R. 533—Provides that legal returns relating to defendant in action, whose name is unknown, must recite the words "real name unknown".
H. R. 534—Service by publication to be void unless defendant be a non-resident or a foreign corporation.
H. R. 537—Legislative apportionment.
H. R. 541—Amends the law in legal proceedings as related to unknown defendant.
H. R. 546—Manufacturers and distributors of hog-cholera serum must secure permit and register brand or trade-mark. Bond required that product conforms to Federal regulations.
H. R. 547—Restricting use of tuberculin and regulates sale and distribution thereof.
H. R. 554—Providing procedure for counties in purchasing road-building machinery and equipment.
H. R. 555—Corporations made responsible for all statements of stock salesmen.
H. R. 565—False statement in advertising securities punished by imprisonment.
H. R. 568—Provides new procedure for actions against corporations.
H. R. 571—Creates unpaid commission to design new state flag and great seal of state.
H. R. 572—Makes county or township liable for damages from accumulation of water due to construction of bridge, culvert or highway.
H. R. 573—Railway commission may enforce reparation to shipper on rate found to be excessive.
H. R. 574—Amends and expands "co-operative" laws.
H. R. 582—Authorizing state treasurer to open a "suspension ledger" and transfer the unpaid taxes prior to 1901.
H. R. 583—Correcting irregular county boundaries.
H. R. 589—Tuberculin cattle test.
H. R. 590—Provides for leasing unappropriated water power rights.
H. R. 592—Appropriates \$5,000 for relief of Gertrude B. Focht for accidental death of husband employed at Lincoln Insane hospital.
H. R. 593—Increases salaries of deputies to county attorney of Lancaster county.
H. R. 594—Provides limit of school tax for Lincoln city district.
H. R. 596—Establishes state fish-pond at Peru. \$2,000 for construction.
H. R. 598—Revision of dairy law. Rate of pay for condemned animals.
H. R. 602—Co-operative banking law.
H. R. 612—Cities under "home rule" charters may fix number of members of library board.
H. R. 613—Qualifications, election and salary of general officers Nebraska National Guard.
H. R. 618—Salary deficiency bill.
H. R. 617—Unlawful for any person or group to interfere or attempt to coerce any person exercising his lawful right to work.
H. R. 619—Deficiency appropriation for state departments and institutions.
H. R. 620—Short term salary bill.
H. R. 621—Biennial salary bill.
H. R. 622—Short term state appropriations.
H. R. 623—Biennial state appropriations.

SESSION ADJOURNS

FORTIETH NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE FINISHES WORK AND MEMBERS RETURN HOME

LONGEST SESSION ON RECORD

Final Adjournment Comes After Long Battle Over Movie Censorship and Big Appropriation Bills Which Are Held Up Until Last

Lincoln—Having dwindled in numbers down to only a third of the full personnel, the rest having gone home, the house and the senate of the Nebraska legislature adjourned sine die at high noon, Thursday, April 28. The forenoon's delay had been occasioned by the work entailed in enacting the three final bills passed which had to be signed by the presiding officers of both houses while the legislature was in session.

These bills were H. R. 113, the movie censorship bill which the governor promptly vetoed; H. R. 623, the general appropriation bill for the biennium, and H. R. 622, the short term appropriation bill for the quarter from April to July, the beginning of the fiscal year. The short and business like session that was predicted by all members when they first tackled the job lasted longer than any other previous gathering of the solons. The house was in its ninety-first day when it quit and the senate on its eighty-third.

While the bill factory was slow getting into operation and for a time it looked as though the legislature might make a record in the matter of a small number of new laws, it proved to be just about the average. The total number of bills passed up to the governor was 313. Of these he signed all but four. He vetoed three, the moving picture censorship, a \$1,500 appropriation for a crippled patient of the orthopedic hospital and one providing for filling vacancies in certain offices by naming a person of the same political party as that to which the late occupant belonged. He allowed the joint resolution favoring national censorship to become a law without his signature.

University Funds Reduced

The state university will receive for general support for the coming biennium \$335,624 less than was asked in the original budget, according to figures received from the university finance office.

The total of the regents' original estimate before reductions were made to comply with the governor's wishes, was \$6,922,604. Of this amount \$1,871,100 is derived from trust funds and other sources than taxation. The total appropriated by the legislature for the university is \$6,053,600, or \$869,114 less than the estimate of the regents for all purposes.

The important cuts have come in agricultural extension, for which \$75,000, instead of \$215,850 is provided; in the memorial gymnasium, included in the original budget of the regents at \$350,000, and which is reduced to \$250,000; in the buildings at the medical college at Omaha, for which \$100,000 instead of \$300,000 is provided; in the striking out of \$300,000 for dormitories for women on the Lincoln campus, omitted by the regents after conference with the governor.

Vetoes Movie Censorship Bill

Governor McKelvie vetoed H. R. 113, the bill providing for a state board of censors over moving pictures. His veto message was made officially public an hour after both houses of the legislature had technically adjourned.

In a statement the governor made public, he warned that a censorship of films was a step toward censorship of the press, and an infringement on the state constitution guaranteeing that "every person may freely speak, write and publish on all subjects, being responsible for the abuses of that liberty."

The bill was introduced at the request of persons interested in child welfare and was a part of the child welfare program. It resulted in a close contest in each house, the senate standing for regulation by law instead of regulation by censors. At the last moment the senate changed front and concurred in the house bill with a few changes.

Statutes to Be Printed

The legislature finally disposed of the question of revision and printing of the statutes by delegating the matter to three persons who are to have a free hand.

The clerk of the supreme court, the reporter of the court and the attorney general are to compile, edit and publish the statutes and sell and dispose of the printed copies on such terms as may be adopted. The three officers named can print the revision themselves or have others do it. The amendments appropriate \$40,000 for compilation and publication.

Nearly Twenty-Nine Millions

The total appropriations carried by the bills passed by the last legislature is \$28,923,657, of which \$22,000,000 is in the big budget and \$6,923,657 for soldiers' relief.

Of this sum the tax payers must contribute \$22,820,000. The remaining \$6,000,000 is from various sources.

In 1919 the legislature appropriated a total of \$26,900,000 for the biennial period. The increase, therefore is something over \$2,000,000 if all items are covered by Secretary Bross' summary.