

LEGISLATIVE BILL 652

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Introduced by Withem, 14

AN ACT relating to elections; to amend sections 16-401, 16-402, 16-706, 31-735.01, 32-491, 32-4,152, 32-530, 32-542, 32-542.02, and 32-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, sections 31-735.02 and 31-735.05, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, and section 31-735, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 587, Ninetieth Legislature, 1987; to change terminology for certain elected officials; to change election provisions for sanitary improvement districts; to create a study committee; to authorize certain write-in votes to be counted and listed together; to change provisions relating to the filling of certain vacancies; to change provisions relating to who can vote and who can be a candidate in a party's primary election; to change provisions relating to the selection of delegates to national conventions; to provide for recall of certain officials; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 16-401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

16-401. Regular meetings of the council shall be held at such times as may be fixed by ordinance, and special meetings whenever called by the mayor or any four ~~councilmen~~ council members. A majority of all the members elected to the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, except as otherwise required by law, but a less number may adjourn, from time to time, and compel the attendance of absent members. An affirmative vote of not less than one half of the elected members shall be required for the transaction of any business.

Sec. 2. That section 16-402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

16-402. The council shall elect one of the

council members as president of the council and he or she shall preside at all meetings of the council in the absence of the mayor. In the absence of the president, the council members shall elect one of their own body to occupy the place temporarily, who shall be styled acting president of the council. The president and acting president, when occupying the place of mayor, shall have the same privileges as other members of the council, and all acts of the president or acting president while so acting shall be as binding upon the council and upon the city as if done by the mayor.

Sec. 3. That section 16-706, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

16-706. The mayor and council shall not have power to appropriate, issue, or draw any order or warrant on the treasurer for money, unless the same has been appropriated or ordered by ordinance or the claim for the payment of which such order or warrant is issued has been allowed according to the provisions of sections 16-726 to 16-729, and a fund has been provided in the adopted budget statement out of which such claim is payable. Any transfer or diversion of the money or credits from any of the funds to another fund or to a purpose other and different from that for which proposed, except as provided in section 16-721, shall render any city council member voting therefor or any officer of the corporation participating therein guilty of a misdemeanor, and any person shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined twenty-five dollars for each offense, together with costs of prosecution. Should any judgment be obtained against the corporation, the mayor and finance committee, with the sanction of the city council, may borrow a sufficient amount to pay the same, for a period of time not to extend beyond the close of the next fiscal year, which sum and interest thereon, shall, in like manner, be added to the amount authorized to be raised in the general tax levy of the next year and embraced therein.

Sec. 4. That section 31-735, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 587, Ninetieth Legislature, First Session, 1987, be amended to read as follows:

31-735. (1) For any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of one hundred thousand or more, on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September which is at least fifteen months after the judgment of the district court creating

a sanitary and improvement district and on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September each two years thereafter, the board of trustees shall cause a special election to be held, at which election a board of trustees of five in number shall be elected. Each member elected to the board of trustees shall be elected to a term of two years and shall hold office until such member's successor is elected and qualified. Any person desiring to file for the office of trustee may file for such office with the election commissioner, or county clerk in counties having no election commissioner, of the county in which the greater proportion in area of the district is located not later than fifty days before the election. No filing fee shall be required. A person filing for the office of trustee to be elected at the election held four years after the first election of trustees and each election thereafter shall designate whether he or she is a candidate for election by the resident owners of such district or whether he or she is a candidate for election by all of the owners of real estate located in the district. The name of such candidate shall appear on only one ballot. The name of a person may be written in and voted for as a candidate for the office of trustee, and such write-in candidate may be elected to the office of trustee. Such trustees shall be owners of real estate located in the district. Notice of the date of the election shall be mailed by the clerk of the district not later than sixty-five days prior to the election to each person who is entitled to vote at the election for trustees whose property ownership or lease giving a right to vote is of record on the records of the register of deeds as of a date designated by the board of trustees, which date shall be not more than sixty-five days prior to the election.

(2) For any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand, on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September which is at least fifteen months after the judgment of the district court creating a sanitary and improvement district and on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September each two years thereafter, the board of trustees shall cause a special election to be held, at which election a board of trustees of five in number shall be elected. Each member elected to the board of trustees shall be elected to a term of two years and shall hold office until such member's successor is elected and qualified. Any person desiring to file for the office of trustee may file for such office with the county clerk, or election

commissioner in counties having election commissioners, of the county in which the greater proportion in area of the district is located not later than fifty days before the election. No filing fee shall be required. A person filing for the office of trustee to be elected at the election held four years after the first election of trustees and each election thereafter shall designate whether he or she is a candidate for election by the resident owners of such district or whether he or she is a candidate for election by all of the owners of real estate located in the district. The name of such candidate shall appear on only one ballot. The name of a person may be written in and voted for as a candidate for the office of trustee, and such write-in candidate may be elected to the office of trustee. Such trustees shall be owners of real estate located in the district.

{3} (2) For any sanitary and improvement district, persons whose ownership or right to vote becomes of record or is received after the date specified pursuant to subsection {4} (1) of this section may vote upon establishing their right to vote to the satisfaction of the election board. At the first election and at the election held two years after the first election, any person may cast one vote for each trustee for each acre of unplatted land or fraction thereof and one vote for each platted lot which he or she may own in the district. At the election held four years after the first election of trustees, two members of the board of trustees shall be elected by the legal property owners resident within such sanitary and improvement district and three members shall be elected by all of the owners of real estate located in the district pursuant to this section. Every resident property owner may cast one vote for a candidate for each office of trustee to be filled by election of resident property owners only. Such resident property owners may also each cast one vote for each acre of unplatted land or fraction thereof and for each platted lot owned within the district for a candidate for each office of trustee to be filled by election of all property owners. For each office of trustee to be filled by election of all property owners of the district, every legal property owner not resident within such sanitary and improvement district may cast one vote for each acre of unplatted land or fraction thereof and one vote for each platted lot which he or she owns in the district. At the election held eight years after the first election of trustees, three members of the board of trustees shall be elected by the legal property

owners resident within such sanitary and improvement district and two members shall be elected by all of the owners of real estate located in the district pursuant to this section, except that if more than fifty per cent of the homes in any sanitary and improvement district are used as a second, seasonal, or recreational residence, the owners of such property shall be considered legal property owners resident within such district for purposes of electing trustees, and at the election held six years after the first election of trustees, three members of the board of trustees shall be elected by the legal property owners resident within such sanitary and improvement district and two members shall be elected by all of the owners of real estate located in the district pursuant to this section. If there are not any legal property owners resident within such district, the five members shall be elected by the legal property owners of all property within such district as provided in this section. Any corporation, whether public, private, or municipal, owning any land or lot in the district may vote at such election the same as an individual. For purposes of voting for trustees, each condominium apartment under a condominium property regime established prior to January 1, 1984, under the Condominium Property Act or established after January 1, 1984, under the Nebraska Condominium Act shall be deemed to be a platted lot and the lessee or the owner of the lessee's interest, under any lease for an initial term of not less than twenty years which requires the lessee to pay taxes and special assessments levied on the leased property, shall be deemed to be the owner of the property so leased and entitled to cast the vote of such property. When ownership of a platted lot or unplatted land is held jointly by two or more persons, whether as joint tenants, tenants in common, limited partners, or any other form of joint ownership, only one person shall be entitled to cast the vote of such property. The executor, administrator, guardian, or trustee of any person or estate interested shall have the right to vote. No corporation, estate, or trust shall be deemed to be a resident owner for purposes of voting for trustees. Should two or more persons or officials claim the right to vote on the same tract, the election board shall determine the party entitled to vote. Such board shall select one of their number chairperson and one of their number clerk. In case of a vacancy on such board, the remaining trustees shall fill the vacancy on such board until the next election.

(4) (3) The election commissioner or county

clerk shall hold any election required by subsection (1) ~~or (2)~~ of this section by sealed mail ballot by notifying the board of trustees on or before June 30 of a given year. The election commissioner or county clerk shall, at least twenty days prior to the election, mail a ballot and return envelope to each person who is entitled to vote at the election and whose property ownership or lease giving a right to vote is of record with the register of deeds as of the date designated by the election commissioner, which date shall not be more than sixty-five days prior to the election board of trustees. The ballot and return envelope shall include: (a) The names and addresses of the candidates; (b) room for write-in candidates; and (c) instructions on how to vote and return the ballot. Such ballots shall be returned to the election commissioner or county clerk no later than 10:00 a.m. of the first Thursday following the election.

Sec. 5. That section 31-735.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

31-735.01. (1) At any election held to elect trustees of a sanitary and improvement district, the ballots shall be received, counted, and canvassed by an election board of two persons or more appointed by the election commissioner or the county clerk in counties having no election commissioner.

(2) The election board members (a) for any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of one hundred thousand or more, shall be paid the same hourly compensation for each hour worked as provided in section 32-210-01 for judges and clerks of election; as such rate may from time to time be adjusted by the Legislature; and (b) for any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand, shall be paid, by the district, three dollars per hour for each hour worked.

(3) For any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand, the district shall furnish ballots for the election; and such ballots shall be in form approved by the election commissioner or county clerk.

Sec. 6. That section 31-735.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, be amended to read as follows:

31-735.02. (1) For any sanitary and improvement district, the county clerk or election commissioner shall certify the results of the election

to the district.

(2) For any sanitary and improvement district located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand, the election board shall also certify to the district the number of hours worked by the board. Payment shall be in currency and made by the attorney for the sanitary and improvement district directly to election board members within forty-five days following such certification. Upon completion of the canvass, the county clerk or election commissioner shall turn all supplies, ballots, and books over to the district for which the election was held.

Sec. 7. That section 31-735.05, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, be amended to read as follows:

31-735.05. For any county with a population of one hundred thousand or more, not Not later than June first of each year, the election commissioner or county clerk shall determine which sanitary and improvement districts in the county are required to hold elections in such year and shall so notify the clerk of each such district on or before July first of such year. The entire costs of conducting the election shall be borne by the sanitary and improvement district holding the election, and such costs shall include all expenses such as procuring a list of the property owners of record in each such district, printing and mailing notices of the elections to such property owners, printing, and preparing, and mailing ballots, paying compensation and mileage for the election boards conducting such elections, and also indirect expenses, such as the pro rata amount of any additional clerical expense or other miscellaneous expenses to be incurred by the election commissioner or county clerk in conducting all of such elections to be held in such calendar year. Within sixty days after the elections have been held, each district shall be charged and billed for all of the actual expenses incurred by the election commissioner or county clerk attributable to such district. Payment of the total amount billed to the district shall be in currency and made by the attorney for the sanitary and improvement district to the election commissioner or county clerk within sixty days after receipt of such billing.

Sec. 8. There is hereby created the Presidential Primary Election Study Committee consisting of twelve members as follows: (1) Two persons from each major political party in this state chosen by the members of each such party; (2) four members of the

general public appointed by the Governor with no more than two of such members belonging to the same political party; (3) two members of the Legislature appointed by the Governor; and (4) two educators appointed by the Governor, each of whose areas of expertise are political science and the election process in the State of Nebraska.

The committee shall conduct an in-depth study of the process by which Nebraskans choose delegates to presidential nominating conventions and shall explore possible alternatives to the current process. The study shall include, but not be limited to, a study of (a) the caucus system of selecting presidential candidates, (b) the possibility and resulting ramifications, including potential economic benefits, of changing the primary election date in Nebraska, (c) the election processes employed by other states, (d) the feasibility of Nebraska joining other states in the Midwest to conduct a regional primary, and (e) any other issues the committee deems necessary.

The committee shall compile a report detailing its findings and shall present such report to the Legislature no later than January 1, 1989. After presentation of such report the committee shall cease to exist.

Sec. 9. That section 32-491, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-491. When all the votes ~~shall~~ have been examined and counted, the clerks shall set down in the form provided in their official summary of votes cast number one and official summary of votes cast number two the name of every person voted for, written at full length, the office for which such person received such vote, ~~or votes~~, and the number of votes he ~~or she~~ received, which number shall be expressed in words at full length. If the write-in vote in the county for a particular office totals less than five per cent of the vote for such office in the county and the county clerk or election commissioner has reason to believe that such vote will not impact the outcome of the election, the write-in votes may be counted and listed together.

Sec. 10. That section 32-4,152, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-4,152. (1) Vacancies in city and village elected offices shall be filled by the mayor and council or board of trustees for the balance of the unexpired term, except as provided in subsection (2) ~~or~~ (3) ~~or~~ (4)

of this section. Notice of a vacancy, except that resulting from the death of the incumbent, shall be in writing and presented to the council or board of trustees at a regular or special meeting and shall appear as a part of the minutes of such meeting. The council or board of trustees shall at once give public notice of the vacancy by causing to be published in a legal newspaper or newspapers of general circulation within such village or city or by posting in three public places in the village or city the office vacated and the length of the unexpired term.

(2) (1) The mayor or chairperson of the board shall, within two four weeks after the regular meeting at which such notice of vacancy has been presented, or upon the death of the incumbent, call a special meeting of the board council or board of trustees or place the issue of filling such vacancy on the agenda at the next regular meeting at which time the mayor or chairperson of the board shall submit the name of a qualified elector to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term. The board members council or board of trustees shall vote upon such nominee, and if a majority of the board votes in favor of such nominee the vacancy shall be declared filled. If a majority vote is not reached, the nomination shall be rejected and the mayor or chairperson shall at the next regular or special meeting submit the name of another qualified elector to fill the vacancy. If the vote on the nominee fails to carry by a majority vote, the mayor or chairperson shall continue at such meeting to submit the names of qualified electors in nomination and the council or board of trustees shall continue to vote upon such nominations until the vacancy is filled. The mayor or chairperson of the board shall cast his or her vote for or against the nominee in the case of a tie vote of the council or board of trustees. All council members and trustees present shall cast a ballot for or against the nominee. Any member of the city council or board of trustees who has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the council or board shall have the same rights, including voting, as if such person was elected.

(3) (2) Vacancies in city offices in any home rule charter city shall be filled as provided in the home rule charter.

(4) (3) The mayor and council or chairperson and board of trustees may, in lieu of filling a vacancy in a city or village elected office as provided in subsection (1) (2) of this section, call a special municipal election to fill such vacancy. If there is a

vacancy in the offices of a majority of the members of a city council or village board, there shall be a special municipal election conducted by the Secretary of State to fill such vacancies.

Sec. 11. That section 32-530, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-530. (1) Any registered elector desiring to vote at any primary election held under the provisions of Chapter 32, article 5, shall be entitled to participate in such primary election upon presenting himself or herself at the polling place where he or she is entitled to vote, but he shall not be entitled to receive a primary ballot, or be entitled to vote at such primary election, unless he be a registered voter and such registration indicates with which political party he affiliates. A registered voter who is affiliated with a political party shall receive all nonpartisan ballots and the partisan ballot as indicated on his or her voter registration. All Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, all registered voters registered as independent not affiliated with any political party shall receive all only nonpartisan ballots at a primary election.

(2) Any political party may authorize unaffiliated voters to vote in its primary election for any partisan office except for the office of delegate to the party's county, state, or national convention. Any political party desiring to permit unaffiliated voters to vote in its primary election shall file with the Secretary of State a letter stating that the governing body of the party has adopted a rule allowing unaffiliated voters to vote in the primary election. A copy of the adopted rule shall be filed along with the letter. The letter shall be filed with the Secretary of State at least sixty days before the primary election. Upon receipt of such letter, the Secretary of State shall notify the appropriate county officials in writing that the political party filing the letter will allow unaffiliated voters to vote in its party's primary election. Once filed with the office of the Secretary of State, the rule allowing unaffiliated voters to vote in a primary election shall be irrevocable. County officials shall take appropriate steps as provided by law or by direction of the Secretary of State to prepare sufficient numbers of ballots to accommodate any unaffiliated voters who may request party ballots. A rule adopted by any party allowing unaffiliated voters to vote in a primary election shall apply only to the

primary election immediately following the adoption of the rule.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any unaffiliated voter desiring to vote in any primary election for the office of United States Senator or United States Representative may request a partisan ballot for such offices from any political party. No unaffiliated voter shall receive more than one such partisan ballot.

Sec. 12. That section 32-542, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-542. In each presidential election year, delegates to the national conventions of the political parties shall be elected in the following manner: (1) The total number of delegates and alternate delegates representing this state at each convention and their method of selection or election shall be determined by the rules of the national political party holding the convention. 7

(2) The total number of delegates thus authorized shall be allocated among the congressional districts so that each congressional district elects the same percentage, or as nearly the same percentage as is possible, of total delegates as was its percentage of the total vote for that party's presidential candidate in the last preceding presidential election;

(3) Delegates to the national conventions shall be elected by the congressional districts in the manner provided in sections 32-420-02, 32-504-01, and 32-513; and

(4) The Secretary of State in consultation with the Attorney General shall have the authority to do all things necessary in the administration of election laws, including ballot preparation, separation of ballots, and ballot instructions, to comply with and carry out the intent of national party rules and court decisions notwithstanding the provisions found in sections 32-420-02, 32-504-01, and 32-513 Chapter 32.

Whenever Chapter 32 is in conformity with national party rules as to the election of delegates the election procedures found in Chapter 32 shall be followed.

Sec. 13. That section 32-542.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-542.02. Alternate delegates to the national political convention of a political party shall be selected in accordance with procedures adopted by the

state central committee of each party. A statement setting forth such the procedure for selection or election of the delegates and alternate delegates to the national political convention of a political party and certifying to its adoption shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State by the state chairman chairperson of the party, not later than March 1 February 15 of each presidential election year. The names of those selected as delegates or alternate delegates, other than by primary election, shall be certified to the Secretary of State by the state chairman chairperson immediately following their selection.

All nomination papers for the office of alternate delegate to a 1972 national political convention which have been filed with the Secretary of State prior to February 4, 1972, are hereby deemed to be void. The filing fee may be rebated upon proper claim made with the appropriate governing authority.

Sec. 14. That section 32-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

32-1402. Elected county officers and elected members of the governing bodies of cities, villages, and counties, irrigation districts, natural resources districts, public power districts, school districts, and water boards may be removed from office by recall pursuant to sections 32-1401 to 32-1408.

Sec. 15. Any political party may, by the adoption of a rule, require that any individual whose name is placed on such party's partisan primary election ballot be affiliated, by registration made pursuant to section 32-223, with such party.

Sec. 16. That original sections 16-401, 16-402, 16-706, 31-735.01, 32-491, 32-4, 152, 32-530, 32-542, 32-542.02, and 32-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, sections 31-735.02 and 31-735.05, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, and section 31-735, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1986, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 587, Ninetieth Legislature, 1987, are repealed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 656

Approved by the Governor May 29, 1987

Introduced by Goodrich, 20; Elmer, 38

AN ACT relating to the University of Nebraska; to amend sections 85-105, 85-121, and 85-1,104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to change an authorization for disposal of certain property; to change provisions relating to the School of Technical Agriculture at Curtis; to provide for appropriations; to eliminate provisions relating to chemurgy; to eliminate the Chemurgy Fund; to repeal the original sections, and also sections 85-156 to 85-161, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 85-105, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

85-105. The Board of Regents shall have full power to appoint its own presiding officer and secretary. It shall constitute a body corporate, to be known as the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, and as such may sue and be sued; and may make and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure. It may acquire real and personal property for the use of the university; and may dispose of the same whenever the university can be benefited thereby, except that ~~PROVIDED~~, it shall never dispose of grounds upon which buildings a building of the university are having a market value in excess of five hundred thousand dollars is located without the consent of the Legislature.

Sec. 2. That section 85-121, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

85-121. For the furtherance and promotion of agriculture and stockraising interests of this state, an additional ~~school~~ college of agriculture, the location of which has been established by the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, pursuant to law, near the town of Curtis in Frontier County, Nebraska, shall, subject to section 4 of this act, be maintained under the conditions hereinafter prescribed, and known as the Nebraska ~~School~~ College of Technical Agriculture at

Curtis. Such ~~school~~ college of agriculture shall be under the control and management of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska until July 1, 1989, and ~~it~~ the board shall perform the same duties and exercise the same powers with reference to the Nebraska ~~School~~ College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis as such board by law may be authorized to perform or exercise with reference to the present College of Agriculture of the University of Nebraska, so far as the same may be applicable.

Sec. 3. The Legislature shall appropriate from the General Fund such money as is necessary to carry out the duties and programs of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis until July 1, 1989. The appropriation shall be made to the University of Nebraska for the sole purpose of maintaining the duties, programs, and facilities of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis.

Sec. 4. (1) If there is not appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$1,267,088 for the period July 1, 1987, to June 30, 1988, and the sum of \$1,267,088 for the period July 1, 1988, to June 30, 1989, for the sole purpose of maintaining the duties, programs, and facilities of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis until July 1, 1989, then the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska shall have no duty or obligation to further maintain or continue operation of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis.

(2) If there is appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$1,267,088 for the period July 1, 1987, to June 30, 1988, and the sum of \$1,267,088 for the period July 1, 1988, to June 30, 1989, for the sole purpose of maintaining the duties, programs, and facilities of the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis until July 1, 1989, the remaining budget of the University of Nebraska and the budgets of the Nebraska state colleges and the technical community colleges shall not be reduced as a result of such appropriation.

Sec. 5. That section 85-1,104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

85-1,104. A University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources shall be established at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, which shall embrace but not be limited to the following divisions or administrative units: (1) College of Agriculture; (2) ~~School~~ of Technical Agriculture at

~~Curtis~~, ~~(3)~~ (2) Agricultural Experiment Station; ~~(4)~~ (3) Cooperative Extension Service; ~~(5)~~ (4) Conservation and Survey Division; and ~~(6)~~ (5) Water Resources Research Institute. The University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources shall be headed by a vice chancellor and each division or administrative unit shall have a dean, director, or other chief administrative officer.

Sec. 6. That original sections 85-105, 85-121, and 85-1,104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and also sections 85-156 to 85-161, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.

Sec. 7. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.