## PUBLIC ACTS

 $\mathbf{OF}$ 

# THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

PASSED AT THE

REGULAR SESSION OF 1909

CONTAINING CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS, THE CONSTITUTION, AND THE STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1909

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COMPILED BY
FREDERICK C. MARTINDALE,
SECRETARY OF STATE

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g the d renade Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the action of Mr. Carnegie in thus promoting the cause of higher learning is deeply appreciated, and that the legislature of Michigan hereby approves the course of the State Board of Education in asking that the professors and administrative officers and widows of professors of the Michigan State Normal College be included as beneficiaries of said fund;

And be it further resolved, That this resolution when adopted by the legislature, be presented to his Excellency, the Governor, for his approval. Approved May 19, 1909.

#### [No. 4.]

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section twelve of article eight of the constitution relative to bonded indebtedness of counties.

Resolved, By the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the following amendment to section twelve of article eight of the constitution, relative to the bonded indebtedness of counties, is hereby proposed and submitted to the people of the State.

SEC. 12. No county shall incur any indebtedness which shall increase its total debt beyond three per cent of its assessed valuation, except counties having an assessed valuation of five million dollars or less, which counties may increase their total debt to five per cent of their assessed valuation;

Be it further resolved, That the foregoing amendment be submitted to the people of this State at the election to be held on the first Monday in April in the year nineteen hundred ten. The Secretary of State is hereby required to certify the foregoing amendment to the clerks of the several counties of the State, as required by law. It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners of each county to prepare a ballot for the use of the electors in voting upon said amendment, which ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

"Vote on amendment to section twelve of article eight of the constitution, relative to bonded indebtedness of counties.

Amendment to section twelve of article eight of the constitution, relative to bonded indebtedness of counties, Yes [].

Amendment to section twelve of article eight of the constitution, relative to bonded indebtedness of counties, No [].

It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners of each county to deliver the ballots so prepared to the inspectors of election, at the several voting precincts within their respective counties, within the time ballots to be used at said election are required to be delivered to such inspectors under the general election law. All votes cast upon said amendment shall be counted, canvassed and returned in the same manner as is provided by law for counting, canvassing and returning the vote for State officers.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Amendment to the constitution relative to bonded indebtedness of counties, proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred nine, and ratified and approved by the people at the November election of nineteen hundred ten.

#### ARTICLE EIGHT.

SEC. 12. No county shall incur any indebtedness which shall increase its total debt beyond three per cent of its assessed valuation, except counties having an assessed valuation of five million dollars or less, which counties may increase their total debt to five per cent of their assessed valuation.

Amendment to the constitution relative to the apportionment of primary school interest money, proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred eleven, and ratified and approved by the people at the April election of nineteen hundred eleven.

#### ARTICLE ELEVEN.

The legislature shall continue a system of primary schools, whereby every school district in the State shall provide for the education of its pupils without charge for tuition; and all instruction in such schools shall be conducted in the English language. If any school district shall neglect to maintain a school within its borders as prescribed by law for at least five months in each year, or to provide for the education of its pupils in another district or districts for an equal period, it shall be deprived for the ensuing year of its proportion of the primary school interest fund. If any school district shall, on the second Monday in July of any year, have on hand a sufficient amount of money in the primary school interest fund to pay its teachers for the next ensuing two years as determined from the pay roll of said district for the last school year, and in case of a primary district, all tuition for the next ensuing two years, based upon the then enrollment in the seventh and eighth grades in said school district, the children in said district shall not be counted in making the next apportionment of primary school money by the Superintendent of Public Instruction; nor shall such children be counted in making such apportionment until the amount of money in the primary school interest fund in said district shall be insufficient to pay teachers' wages or tuition as herein set forth for the next ensuing two years.