

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE OF PATENT RIGHT TERRITORY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* No sale or transfer
2 of any territorial right for the sale or manufacture of any patented article shall be valid,
3 except upon compliance with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 2. Before selling any territory for the sale or manufacture of any patented article,
2 all persons shall obtain from the auditor of state a permission or license therefor, who shall
3 issue the same only upon satisfactory proof that the applicant has a valid patent right duly
4 issued by the patent office of the United States.

SEC. 3. The auditor of state shall keep in his office a record of all licenses issued by him,
2 in which record shall be entered the name of the applicant, with date of license and descrip-
3 tion of the patent right. Also, proper space for noting any assignments or transfers of the
4 license, or parts thereof.

SEC. 4. No transfer or sale of any license, or any part thereof, shall be valid until the
2 same is duly entered upon the auditor's books.

SEC. 5. The auditor shall charge and collect, before issuing any license, the sum of one
2 hundred dollars, and for noting on his records any sale or transfer of any license, or any part
3 thereof, ten dollars. Of the fees thus collected, the auditor shall retain as compensation for
4 his services herein, for each year, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars. All sums col-
5 lected as fees as above required, above said sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, shall be
6 paid into the state treasury.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons selling any territorial right to sell or manufacture any
2 patented article, without license duly issued or transferred as herein provided, shall be guilty
3 of a felony, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the peniten-
4 tiary of the state not more than five years, or by fine not exceeding one thousand or less than
5 one hundred dollars.

SEC. 7. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force
2 from and after its publication in the *State Register* and *Iowa State Leader*, newspapers pub-
3 lished at Des Moines, Iowa.

J. M. PARKER, from the committee on judiciary, submitted the following report:

MR. SPEAKER:

Your committee on judiciary, to whom was referred house file No. 15, a bill for an act to regulate the sale of patent right territory, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back to the house with the recommendation that it do pass.

J. M. PARKER, *Chairman.*

Ordered passed on file.

HOUSE FILE, NO. 15.]

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