

APPROPRIATION TO ASSIST AUTHORITIES TO SUPPRESS
SMALLPOX AT LAREDO.

S. B. No. 262.] CHAPTER XXXIV.

An Act to make an appropriation of two thousand dollars to assist the local authorities at Laredo, Webb county, Texas, in suppressing and abating the epidemic of smallpox now raging at that place.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to be used under the direction of the Governor and the State Health Officer in aiding the local authorities, city and county, at and near Laredo, Webb county, Texas, in suppressing and abating the epidemic of smallpox now raging at that place, and to prevent its further spread.

SEC. 2. The sum hereby appropriated shall be paid by the Comptroller upon the order of the State Health Officer, approved by the Governor.

SEC. 3. The existence of the smallpox epidemic in the county of Webb, State of Texas, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, and same is hereby suspended, and that this act be in force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE.—The enrolled bill shows that the foregoing act passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 24, nays 0; and passed the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas 97, nays 1.]

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CITY AND COUNTY TREASURERS—REQUIRING THEM TO
MAKE REPORT TO COMPTROLLER.

S. B. No. 34.] CHAPTER XXXV.

An Act to require city and county treasurers to report condition of interest and sinking funds to the State Comptroller, to prohibit them from diverting said funds and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That it shall be the duty of the treasurer of each county in this State and of each city, whether incorporated under the general law or by special charter, to make an annual report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts of this State on the first day of August of each year showing the condition of the interest and sinking fund for each set of bonds of said county or city outstanding on the 30th day of June of each year, which said report shall be made under oath and shall show:

First.—The outstanding bonded indebtedness of said city or county, giving date when issued, the amount of each set of bonds, the rate of interest they bear and when they mature.