

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 313

Approved by the Governor March 2, 1987

Introduced by Rogers, 41; Lamb, 43

AN ACT relating to coroners; to amend sections 23-1210 and 23-1801, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to provide additional persons to which the county attorney may delegate certain duties; to change the fee paid a juror as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

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

Section 1. That section 23-1210, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

23-1210. (1) The county attorney shall perform all of the duties enjoined by law upon the county coroner and the county attorney shall be the ex officio county coroner. The county attorney shall receive no additional fees for the performance of duties prescribed by statutes for county coroner, but shall be reimbursed for all actual necessary expenses incurred by him or her in the performance of such duties with reimbursement for mileage to be made at the rate provided in section 23-1112 for county officers and employees.

(2) The county attorney may delegate to the county sheriff, deputy county sheriff, or any other peace officer that part of the coroner's duties as now prescribed by statute which relates to viewing dead bodies and serving papers, except that in cases where when there may be occasion to serve papers upon the sheriff, the county attorney may delegate such duty to the county clerk.

Sec. 2. That section 23-1801, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

23-1801. The coroner shall hold an inquest upon the dead bodies of such persons only as are supposed to have died by unlawful means. When the coroner has notice of the presence in the county of the body of a person supposed to have died by unlawful means, the coroner may, at his or her discretion, issue a warrant to a constable of the county requiring the constable to summon forthwith six residents of the

county to appear before the coroner at a time and place named in the warrant. Each juror shall receive for each day employed in the discharge of his or her duty the sum of ~~two~~ twenty dollars to be paid by certificate drawn by the coroner on the general funds of the county.

Sec. 3. That original sections 23-1210 and 23-1801, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.