

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1209

Approved by the Governor March 6, 1972

Introduced by Leslie A. Stull, 49th District

AN ACT to amend section 16-502, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, relating to first-class cities; to increase the amount of contracts that officers of a first-class city may have an interest in before it is prohibited; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

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

Section 1. That section 16-502, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, be amended to read as follows:

16-502. Except as provided in section 70-624.04, no officer of any city shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract to which the corporation, or anyone for its benefit, is a party, when the consideration of the same is in an amount in excess of ~~two ten~~ thousand dollars in any one year, and no contract may be divided for the purpose of evading the requirements of this section; and such interest in any such contract shall void the obligation thereof on the part of such corporation; Provided, the receiving of deposits, cashing of checks, and buying and selling warrants and bonds of indebtedness of any such city by a financial institution shall not be considered a contract under the provisions of this section. Nor shall any officer receive any pay or perquisites from the city other than his salary, as provided by ordinance and the law relating to cities of the first class, and the city council shall not pay or appropriate any money or any valuable thing to any person not an officer for the performance of any act, service or duty, the doing or performance of which shall come within the proper scope of the duties of any officer of such corporation, unless the same is specifically appropriated and ordered by a vote of three-fourths of all the members elected to the council; Provided, that ownership of less than one per cent of the outstanding stock of any class in a corporation shall not constitute an interest, direct or indirect, within the meaning of this section.

Sec. 2. That original section 16-502, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.