

SECTION 4. The appellant, to perfect the appeal, shall, within twenty days after the filing of the notice of appeal, file with the clerk of the board of railroad commissioners a petition setting forth the reasons of appeal, and within ten days after the filing of the petition cause a certified copy thereof to be served upon the county commissioners. If the appellant fails to perfect the appeal as herein required, thereupon proceedings may be had before the county commissioners as if no appeal had been taken.

Petition setting forth reasons of appeal to be filed with railroad commissioners.

SECTION 5. An appeal may be waived at any time before a hearing thereon, by agreement of the parties, in writing, filed with the county commissioners and the board of railroad commissioners, and thereupon proceedings may be had before the county commissioners as if no appeal had been taken.

Waiver of appeal.

SECTION 6. The board of railroad commissioners shall, in matters and proceedings to which this act relates, have the same powers vested in, and perform the same duties required of, the county commissioners in like matters and proceedings; and all provisions of law relating to hearings and determinations by, and decisions and orders of, the county commissioners, in such matters and proceedings, shall apply to hearings and determinations by, and decisions and orders of, the board of railroad commissioners in such matters and proceedings under this act.

Powers of railroad commissioners.

SECTION 7. The hearings before the board of railroad commissioners in matters and proceedings to which this act relates shall be had in the county where the appeal is taken, unless the parties, in writing, otherwise agree.

Hearing to be had in county where appeal is taken.

*Approved April 5, 1882.*

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE NORMAL SCHOOL OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

*Chap. 136*

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The school committee of the city of Boston may provide instruction in the principles and methods of teaching for the benefit of teachers in the service of said city, said instruction to be given in connection with the normal school of said city.

Teachers may be taught in the normal school.

SECTION 2. The action of the school committee of said city heretofore in providing instruction for the benefit of teachers in the service of said city is ratified, confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if this act had been passed prior to such action.

Action of school committee confirmed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

*Approved April 5, 1882.*