

**DOCUMENT 18 – A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF
A HOUSE FOR THE USE OF THE GOVERNOR**

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TRANSCRIPTION

A bill for an act authorizing the purchase
of a house for the use of the Governor.

Sec: 1st Be it enacted by the People of
the state of Illinois represented in the
General Assembly. That the Auditor
of Public Accounts be and he is hereby
authorized to purchase a suitable house
and lot, within the town of Springfield,
for a residence for the Governor of the
state, Provided the same shall not
cost more than eight thousand dollars.

Sec: 2nd The Auditor shall issue his warrant
on the Treasury for the amount agreed on
by him for said purchase, in favour of
the person or persons of whom said purchase
shall have been made—

Sec: 3rd Before issuing his warrant as afore=
said, ~~The~~ the Auditor shall particularly
enquire into and ascertain that a clear and
unencumbered title to the house and lot so
purchased can be made; and moreover shall
actually take a conveyance of such title
to the Governor of the state of Illinois for
the use of the People of said state—

Sec: 4th Upon the completion of such purchase
and conveyance, the Auditor shall notify
the Governor thereof; and after one month
subsequent to said notice, no allowance
for house rent, or traveling expenses shall
be made to the Governor—