OBLIGATIONS DUE STATE (EXCERPT) Act 20 of 1842

21.154 Public officers; payment of public funds received into treasury; violation, penalty.

Sec. 4. All collecting and disbursing officers, all county and township treasurers, and all other public officers or agents through whose hands public moneys pass, are hereby required to pay into the state, county and township treasuries, as the case may be, or to state, county and township creditors, as the case may be, at the option of such creditors, or to civil and military officers entitled to compensation for public services, at the option of such officers, the same description of funds which they shall have received in the collection of taxes or other public dues, or for freight and charges to passengers on the state railroads. Any of the aforesaid collecting and disbursing officers or agents, who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, or shall appropriate any of the public moneys to his or their own private use, except in pursuance of law; or shall lend to others, or otherwise embezzle any of the said public moneys, he or they shall be prosecuted for said offense, and on conviction thereof, be punished by fine and imprisonment; the fine not to be more than 1,000 dollars, and the imprisonment not to exceed 5 years at the discretion of the court.

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