

[HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SECRET SESSION.]

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Dec. 31, 1863 —Read first and second times, postponed, ordered to be printed, and made the special order for Monday next, and from day to day.

[By Mr. BALDWIN, from the Special Committee on the Currency.]

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## A BILL

To be entitled An Act to organize the Treasury Note Bureau.

1 SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America*  
2 *do enact*. That another bureau shall be organized in the Treasury  
3 Department, to be known as the Treasury Note Bureau, which  
4 shall have charge of the engraving, printing, and preparing of  
5 treasury notes and bonds, and of everything incidental thereto.

1 SEC. 2. A chief of the said bureau shall be appointed by the  
2 President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,  
3 with the same salary as the other heads of bureaus in the said  
4 department, whose duty it shall be to provide the materials  
5 necessary for every issue of notes or bonds, and to cause the said  
6 notes and bonds to be engraved, printed, and prepared for issue,  
7 and to superintend and have in charge all the clerks employed in  
8 and about the said bureau, under the direction and control of the  
9 Secretary of the Treasury.

1 SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Treasury may appoint a chief

2 clerk of the said bureau to reside at Columbia during such time  
3 as the engraving and printing may be conducted there, and  
4 another chief clerk at Richmond, also two messengers and as  
5 many clerks, male and female, as may be necessary to conduct  
6 the business of the bureau. The chief clerk at Columbia shall  
7 receive a salary of \$2,500, and the other clerks and the mes-  
8 sengers shall receive the same salaries as are provided by law  
9 for the clerks of the same grade at Richmond.

1     Sec. 4. The Secretary of the Treasury shall establish regula-  
2 tions for the government and management of the said bureau and  
3 for securing such safeguards against counterfeit notes, bonds,  
4 or coupons, as he may deem expedient.

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