

AUTHORITY TO PAY EXPENSES FOR DETECTION
AND CONVICTION OF CERTAIN PERSONS
FROM CONTINGENT FUND OF STATE SUPER-
INTENDENT.

Tallahassee, Fla., July 21, 1917.

*Honorable Ernest Amos, Comptroller,
Capitol.*

Dear Sir:

The State Superintendent explains to me that the attached account was incurred in running down and prosecuting a negro man who has for a number of years from time to time stolen the slips containing the questions for teachers' examinations in this State and sold them to negro applicants for teachers' certificates who were taking the examinations.

In view of this fact and the further fact that they have heretofore been unable to secure through the ordinary channels evidence sufficient to convict this negro and the value and benefit to the cause of public education of his detection and conviction, I am of the opinion that you will be warranted in paying the account as approved by the State Superintendent from the contingent fund appropriated by the Legislature for his department.

Very respectfully,

T. F. WEST,

Attorney General.