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## CHAPTER 139.

**AN ACT** to provide for the wider circulation of the books of free libraries.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

Jurisdiction of free libraries enlarged. May establish traveling libraries.

**SECTION 1.** Section 934 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, is hereby amended by adding after the words "either permanently or temporarily" the words "and may send out traveling libraries in their own or adjoining counties" and by adding after the words "in which the library is situated" the words "or with the board of supervisors of any neighboring county, or with individuals or associations," and by adding after the words "or with the board of supervisors" the words "school board," and after the words "of any neighboring town" the words "school district," and after the words "the books of said library," the words "singly or in traveling libraries," and after the words "residents of said county, town" the words "school district," and after the words "county or town supervisors," the words "school board," and after the words "out of the county," the words "school district," so that the section as amended shall read as follows: Section 934. Every library and reading room established under this chapter, shall be forever free for the use of the inhabitants of the city, town or village where located, subject to

such reasonable rules and regulations as the library board may find necessary to adopt and publish in order to render the use of said library and reading room, of the greatest benefit to the greatest number; and they may exclude and cut off from the use of said library and reading room, any and all persons who shall wilfully violate such rules; provided that the board of directors of such library and reading room may, under such rules and regulations as they may deem necessary, and upon such conditions as may be agreed upon, allow non-residents of the city, town or village in which the library or reading rooms are situated, to use the books therein, and may exchange such books with any other public library, either permanently or temporarily, and may send out traveling libraries in their own and adjoining counties; and any such board may contract with the board of supervisors of the county in which the library is situated, or with the board of supervisors of any neighboring county, or with individuals or associations, or with the board of supervisors, school board, village trustees or common council of any neighboring town, school district, village or city, to loan the books of said library, singly or in traveling libraries, to the residents of said county, town, school district, village or city, upon the terms agreed upon in such contract; and every such board of directors, board of county or town supervisors, school district board, village trustees or common council is hereby empowered to make contracts for such purpose, and to pay the consideration agreed upon therein, to the board of directors of such library and reading room, out of the county, school district, town, village or city treasury, upon the rendering of the proper accounts therefor.

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