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CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT to amend 66.042 (2) of the statutes, relating to use of facsimile signatures of municipal officers.

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

66.042 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.042 (2) Except in cities of the first class, municipal disbursements shall be by order check. No such order check shall be released to the payee, nor shall such be valid, unless signed by the clerk and treasurer of the municipality. Unless otherwise directed by ordinance adopted by the governing body, the mayor or village president shall countersign all city and village order checks. The governing body may also authorize additional signatures. *In lieu of the personal signatures of the clerk and treasurer of the municipality and such other signature as may be required, there may be affixed on such order check the facsimile signatures of such persons adopted by them and approved by the governing body of the municipality but the use of such facsimile signature shall not relieve any municipal official from any liability to which he is otherwise subject, including the unauthorized use thereof. Any depository shall be fully warranted and protected in making payment on any check bearing such facsimile notwithstanding that the same may have been placed thereon without the authority of the designated persons.*

Approved May 6, 1949.
