

## CHAPTER 308.

[Published April 14, 1862.]

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "an act to consolidate and amend the acts [act] to incorporate the city of Milwaukee, and the several acts amendatory thereof," approved February 20th, 1852, and to enable the electors of the city of Milwaukee to revise, codify and amend thier [their] charter.

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

Authority to  
purchase steam  
fire engines, &c.

SECTION 1. The city of Milwaukee is hereby empowered and authorized to purchase, for the use of said city, steam fire engines, and all necessary hose and apparatus for running and conducting the same, in said city, and to employ engineers and all other necessary help to run and conduct said steam fire engines, at stated salaries or monthly wages.

Engineers to  
run said engines.

SECTION 2. The chief engineer of the fire department of said city of Milwaukee, shall nominate and appoint, subject to the written approval of the mayor of said city, the engineers and all other persons necessary to run and conduct said steam fire engines ; but it is expressly provided, that in no case shall there be so employed to exceed nine persons for each steam fire engine and hose cart ; and the salaries or monthly wages of all said persons so employed by the chief engineer, and approved by the mayor of said city, shall be fixed by the common council of said city ; and the common council may also provide, by ordinance, for the performance of police or other duties by the members of such force.

Salaries.

Reduction of  
fire companies.

SECTION 3. The common council of said city are hereby empowered and authorized to reduce and limit the number of volunteer fire companies, with hand engines, hose carts and hook and ladder carts, to such number and in such manner as to them shall appear for the best interest of said city ; and when the number of volunteer companies, with hand engines, hose carts and hook and ladder carts, shall be reduced to the number of six or less in said city, then, and forever thereafter, the chief engineer of the fire department of said city shall be elected by the people annually, at the same time and in like manner as the mayor and

Relection of chief  
engineer by the  
people.

other city officers are elected: (*provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the rights of the chief engineer elected for the present term;) and his salary shall be fixed by the common council of said city.

SECTION 4. The common council may also provide reasonable compensation for those persons who have, since the 1st day of January, A. D. 1862, given thier [their] whole time to the steam fire engine now used in said city, for such services, and have not been compensated either by the city or private subscription. Compensation for past services.

SECTION 5. All sums which, by the existing laws, are required to be paid by the various insurance companies and thier [their] agents, in Milwaukee, for the benefit of the fire department, shall hereafter be paid into the city treasury, subject to the order of the common council, for the purpose of purchasing steam fire engines and defraying the expenses of equipping and managing the same. Insurance companies to pay per centage to treasurer.

SECTION 6. Any act contravining [contravening] the provisions of this act, is hereby repealed. Repeal.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 7, 1862.

## CHAPTER 309.

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AN ACT to farther provide for the government of the police of the city of Milwaukee.

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

SECTION 1. The mayor of the city of Milwaukee shall, in addition to nominating [the] chief of police, also nominate (to be confirmed by the common council) one person as first lieutenant of police, whose salary (to be fixed by the common council) shall not exceed eight hundred dollars; one second lieutenant, whose salary (to be fixed as above) shall not exceed seven hundred Lieutenant of police and assistants—their salaries.