

CHAPTER 125.

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AN ACT relating to evidence in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. A certificate substantially in the following form:

Register's certificate *prima facie* evidence.

“REGISTER’S OFFICE, ———, 18—.

“I hereby certify, that from the books and records of the United States land office at ———, Wisconsin, it appears that Mr. ———, on the ——— day of ———, 18—, at ———, entered, purchased and paid for ——— of section ———, township ———, north of range ———, containing ——— acres. Dated ———, 18—.

“———, Register,”

shall be received in all courts and places as *prima facie* evidence of the facts therein contained.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 12, 1866.

CHAPTER 126.

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AN ACT to amend chapter 445 of the general laws of 1864, “an act to guard against the abuse of the elective franchise, and to preserve the purity of elections, by a registration of electors.”

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of chapter 445 of the general laws of 1864, is hereby amended, by striking out of said section the following words where they occur, viz.: “In making said list, the board shall enter thereon, in addition to the names on the poll list, the names of all other persons who are well known to them to be electors in said district, and” Amendment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 127.

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AN ACT to provide for a revision of the laws in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes.*

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

Governor may appoint commissioners to revise assessment and collection laws.

SECTION 1. The governor of this state is hereby authorized and required to appoint three commissioners for the purpose of revising the laws for the assessment and collection of taxes, which commissioners shall be appointed within one month after the passage of this act: *provided*, that if any commissioner so appointed shall refuse or neglect to act, or die, or become in any manner disqualified for the performance of his duties as such commissioner, the governor may fill the vacancy by appointment at any time.

When commissioners to enter upon their duties &c.

SECTION 2. The commissioners so appointed shall meet at such places as they may agree upon, not more than sixty days after the date of their appointment, to enter upon the discharge of their duties. Any two of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum, and they shall meet from time to time as the proper discharge of their duties hereby imposed may require.

To codify laws, and make report to next legislature.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of said commissioners to revise and codify the existing laws of this state in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes, and report the same to the legislature of the state at its next annual session; to report therewith such alterations and amendments as in their opinion are necessary to render said laws consistent throughout, and make their construction clear, definite and certain, and to report such changes and modifications and amendments as in their judgment will tend to secure greater uniformity, and prevent frauds and evasions in the assessment and collection of taxes. They may also,

May report new bill.