

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved March 13, 1876.

CHAPTER 317.

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AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred [and] three of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1875, entitled, "An act to provide for the revision of the statutes."

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

Amended.

Duty of justices of supreme court to superintend revision of statutes.

SECTION 1. Section two of said chapter two hundred and three, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Revisers to report monthly to justices of supreme court.

SECTION 2. The revisers appointed in pursuance of section one of this act, shall enter upon their work as soon as practicable, and it is hereby made the duty of the justices of the supreme court to superintend such revision in so far as may be necessary or proper to secure a proper revision, at as early a day as may be possible, and to see that the work of such revision progresses from month to month with all possible speed, and revisers so appointed, or any who may hereafter be appointed, shall report monthly to such justices the progress made during the preceding month, and the amount of time devoted by each of said revisers to the work of revision during such month until such work is completed, and in case such revisers shall neglect or refuse to so report for any month during such revision promptly at the close thereof, they shall be deemed and declared to have vacated their offices as such revisers, and the vacancies shall be filled by said justices as hereinafter mentioned.

Amended.

Compensation of persons employed, and how same audited.

SECTION 3. Section three of said chapter two hundred and three, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 3. All persons appointed pursuant to this act, and the acts of which this is amendatory, shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for their services, and the same allowance for clerk hire, as has heretofore been fixed by the justices of the supreme court, under the provisions of said chapter two hundred and three, which allowance so fixed shall be audited by the secretary of state upon the certificate

of said justices, which certificate shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state, designating the compensation so fixed, and upon the statement of the revisers and clerk, under oath, which said statement shall give the time they may severally have served the state under their appointment authorized by this act, and the acts of which this is amendatory.

SECTION 3. In case the justices of the supreme court shall be of opinion, upon receiving any of the monthly reports aforesaid from such revisers, that the progress made by them or the time devoted by such revisers, or either of them, to the work of revision during any such month shall not be such as to carry out the letter and spirit of this act in respect to the most speedy and proper revision of the general laws of this state, that may be judicious, it shall be and hereby is made the imperative duty of such justices to suspend said revisers or such of them as may be guilty of neglect of duty from all further labor upon such revision, and their offices shall thereupon be deemed and declared vacant.

Duty of justices of supreme court to suspend revisers for neglect of duty.

SECTION 4. Section four, of said chapter two hundred and three, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section four. In case any of the revisers so appointed, or which may hereafter be appointed, shall become incapacitated by reason of sickness or other cause, to perform their duties under this act, or in case of the death or resignation of either of said revisers, or if their offices shall in any manner become vacant, for any of the reasons herein mentioned, it shall be the duty of said justices of the supreme court to fill any such vacancy or vacancies, so caused, by the appointment, immediately thereafter, of a suitable person or persons, to fill any such vacancy, such power to extend to the appointment of a full board of revisers when the offices of any or all the revisers have become vacant.

Amended.

Vacancies to be filled by appointment by justices of supreme court.

SECTION 5. When the whole work of revision shall have been completed, the said revisers shall report the same to the next succeeding legislature.

When revision completed, report to be made to legislature.

SECTION 6. This act shall not be construed to repeal chapter two hundred and three, or in any manner affect the same, except as herein provided, and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Construction of act.

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