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## CHAPTER 387.

AN ACT to amend chapter 331, of the laws of 1887, entitled, "an act to incorporate the city of Altoona."

(See Vol. 2.)

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## CHAPTER 388.

AN ACT concerning cemetery associations.

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

SECTION 1. That it shall be the duty of every corporation, society or association, which shall occupy and use lands for cemetery and burial purposes, to take, hold and use such gifts and bequests of real or personal property, or the income and proceeds thereof, as may be given or bequeathed to them, in trust or otherwise, for the improvement, maintenance, repair, preservation and ornamentation of any lot, and any vault, tomb or chapel, or other structure in such cemetery and burial place according to the terms of such gift or bequest, and in accordance with such reasonable rules and regulations as shall be made by such corporation, society or association for its government. In case money is placed in the charge of any such corporation, society or association without condition as to the manner of investment, the income of which is to be used for the purposes mentioned in this act, it shall be invested by such officers or trustees in bonds of the United States or of the state of Wisconsin, or on bond or note secured by mortgage on property in amounts not exceeding one-half of the value of said property.

Gifts and bequests to cemetery associations, how used.

Reports to be  
made to county  
judge.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the treasurer or financial officer of every such corporation, society or association, or other authorized officer, on the first day of January in each year, to make a report in writing to the judge of the county court of the county in which the cemetery of such corporation, society or association is located, showing in detail the amount of such trust funds and property which has been received by said corporation, society or association for the purposes in this act named, and what disposal has been made thereof.

Bond to be ex-  
ecuted, and  
filed with  
county clerk.

It shall also be the duty of every such corporation, society or association to execute a bond with two or more sufficient sureties, in an amount not less than double the amount of the gross amount of said gifts and bequests, payable to the county judge of the county in which the cemetery of said corporation, society or association is located; which bond shall be approved by the said county judge, and shall be filed in the office of the county clerk of said county. Said bond shall be conditioned for the proper application of all moneys and property received by said corporation, society or association, for the purposes in this act named. In case of the refusal of the officers of any such corporation, society or association to perform the duties herein required by such corporation, society or association, the judge of the county court of the county where the cemetery of any such corporation, society or association is located, may appoint some person to take charge of and manage the property and moneys given for the purposes in this act named, and upon the appointment of any such person it shall be the duty of the officers of such corporation, society or association to at once turn over to him all the property and money which may have come into its custody for the purpose in this act named, and which shall not have been expended in execution of the trust. In case of the failure of such officers to turn over property and moneys as herein provided, or in case of any default by them hereunder, it shall be the duty of the district attorney of the county in which said corporation, society or association is situated, to bring suit on the said bond to recover the amount of any such default. The judge of the county court may require any such corporation, society or association to renew such

On failure to  
comply here-  
with judge to  
appoint person  
to manage  
property.

bond for good cause shown. The said county judge shall examine the said accounts so rendered and shall audit the same, and shall examine the manner of the investment of said trust fund, and the securities so held shall be submitted to said judge.

SECTION 3. Gifts, bequests and trusts of property made for the purposes specified in section 1, of this act, shall be exempt from taxation and from the operation of all laws mortmain and laws against perpetuities and accumulations.

Exempt from taxation.

SECTION 4. This law shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 8, 1887.

[No. 404, A.]

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## CHAPTER 389.

AN ACT to provide for a general law for the incorporation of cities.

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

SECTION 1. The justices of the supreme court are hereby authorized to appoint three competent persons, one of whom shall be the attorney general, to draft a bill for a general law for the incorporation of cities.

Justices of supreme court to appoint three persons to draft bill for incorporation of cities.

SECTION 2. The persons so appointed shall enter upon their work as soon as practicable, and when the work is completed shall report the same to the next succeeding legislature.

Duty imposed.

SECTION 3. The persons so appointed shall receive such compensation for their services as the justices of the supreme court shall deem just and reasonable, to be audited by the secretary of state upon the written allowance of such justices, and paid out of the state treasury out of any money belonging to the general fund not otherwise appropriated; provided, that no more than four hundred dollars shall be audited and allowed to each such person.

Compensation.