2421. All writs issued from the circuit court shall be in the name of the state of Wisconsin, shall bear date the day they are issued, be tested in the name of the judge of the circuit in which issued, and if there be no such judge then in the name of the chief justice of the supreme court, be returnable on the first day of the term next succeeding the date of their issue, unless otherwise directed by law, by the judge or by rule of court, be signed by the clerk, scaled with the seal of the court and directed to some officer or person authorized to serve or execute the same. All writs of certiorari issued to review any action taken by any county board, town board, common council of any city or board of trustees of any village, or any record lawfully in the custody of any county clerk, town clerk, city or village clerk may be addressed to and served upon the proper county clerk, town clerk, city clerk or village clerk respectively, who shall make return thereto.

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

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CHAPTER 147.

AN ACT legalizing the acts of certain corporations acting under section 2001 subdivisions 10 to 17 of the statutes of 1898.

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

Failure to file articles in office of register of deeds not to affect validity. Section 1. Whenever in the organization of corporations under section 2001 subdivisions 10 to 17 both inclusive, there may have been a failure to file the articles of association or a copy thereof in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county, such failure shall not affect the validity of the corporation but the same shall be a body corporate from and after the date of the signing of such articles provided that such corporation records such articles or a copy thereof in the

office of the register of deeds of the proper county within three months after the passage and publication of this act.

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

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CHAPTER 148.

AN ACT to amend sections 78 and 79 of the statutes of 1898, relating to election returns.

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

Returns how sent. Section 1. Section 78 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "deliver" in the fifth line thereof, the words "or send by registered letter from the nearest postoffice," and by inserting after the word "deliver" in the eighth line thereof the words "or sending," and by striking out all after the word "therefor" in the eighth line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty cents, together with postage and registration fees paid by him, to be paid out of the town, city or village treasury," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 78. chairman of the inspectors or one of them appointed by him shall forthwith deliver to the clerk of the town, city or village one of said statements and poll lists, to be filed and preserve. in his office, and shall, with all convenient dispatch and within two days after the election, deliver to the county clerk or send by registered letter from the nearest postoffice, the other statement and poll list to the county clerk, they having been by the inspectors carefully sealed up, with the oaths of the inspectors and clerks affixed, in an envelope properly directed to such clerk. The person delivering or sending such returns shall receive as compensation therefor, fifty cents, together with postage and registration fees paid by him, to be paid out of the town, city or village treasury.

Penalty for failure to deliver. Section 2. Section 79 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by inserting between the