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CHAPTER 348.

AN ACT to amend section 419a, of the statutes of 1898, relating to the alteration of joint school districts.

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

Application for change of boundaries, how made; meeting for; appeals. Section 1. Section 419a, of the statutes of 1898, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 419a. Whenever an application in writing, describing and clearly setting forth by use of usual and definite terms, and having for its purpose the alteration of the boundaries of any joint district, signed by not less than two-thirds of the voters residing in the joint district, or one-third of the voters residing in the territory comprising all the districts to be affected by said proposed alterations, shall be presented to the chairman of the town, the mayor of the city or president of the board of trustees of the village, in which the school house of such joint district may be situated, such chairman, mayor of the city, or president of the village board, shall, upon receipt of such application or petition, fix a time for the joint meeting of the town boards of supervisors, and the city council, or the village board of trustees of all the municipalities in any way affected by said proposed change, which time shall not be less than ten or more than twenty days after the presentation to said officer of such petition or applica-The officer to whom the applications or petition is presented shall cause a written notice of the time and place of such meeting to be given to each supervisor, member of the city council, or member of the village board of trustees entitled to be present at such meeting, which notice shall be served at least five days prior to the date fixed therefor. Such meeting shall be held at the school house in such joint district unless some other convenient place shall be designated in the notice. If the chairman of the town, mayor of the city or president of the board of village trustees, as the case may be, to whom such application shall be presented, neglect or refuse to fix the time and place or to give notice for the meeting as provided by this section, or if the supervisors, the city council, or the board of village trustees, or a majority thereof, of any town, city or village in any way interested or affected by the proposed change of school district

boundaries, neglect or refuse to be present at such meeting, or being present, neglect or refuse to hear and vote upon the application before them, the application shall be deemed denied, and an appeal may be had therefrom in similar manner, and with like effect as in other cases of denial. The provisions of section 418, 419, 422, and 497 shall, as far as may be applicable, apply to the above proceedings.

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

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CHAPTER 349.

AN ACT providing for fire escapes on buildings.

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

Fire escapes how placed; in cities to have stand pipe. Every inn, hotel, boarding house, store-house, tenement house, every building now or hereafter used, in whole or in part, as a public building, public or private institution, office or store building, school house, theater, public hall, place of assemblage, or place of public resort more than two stories high and containing above the ground floor, sleeping apartments, offices, an assembly hall, work-rooms or a room intended to be used as a place of amusement, all or any of which rooms are designed for occupancy by twenty-five or more persons, shall be provided with one or more fire proof stairways or ladders on the outside thereof, placed in such position and as many in number as may be designated by the chief of the fire department or fire marshal of the village or city in which the building is located, or by the state factory inspector. If more than one stairway or ladder is required, each side of such inn, hotel, boarding house, storehouse, tenement building, every building now or hereafter used, in whole or in part as a public building, public or private institution, office or store building, school house, theater, public hall, place of assemblage or place of public resort shall be provided