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CHAPTER 503.

AN ACT to amend sections 496b and 490c of the statutes, and to create section 496c—1 of the statutes, relating to manual training in schools.

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

SECTION 1. Section 496b of the statutes is amended to read:

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SECTION 2. Section 496c of the statutes, as amended by chapter 273 of the laws of 1899, is amended to read:

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SECTION 3. There is added to the statutes a new section to read:

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SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication.

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CHAPTER 504.

AN ACT to amend section 1955o of the statutes, relating to discrimination by life insurance companies.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1955o of the statutes is amended to read:

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

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provided, that if the whole amount authorized to be paid annually in aid of free high schools as provided by section 491b as amended by this act, is not demanded or expended under the provisions of that section then the unexpended balance of the amount therein annually authorized to be paid in aid of such schools may be added to and apportioned among the free high schools provided for in sections 490 and 491. * * *

(Ch. 527, 1907.)

Manual training in three upper grades; inspector's duty. SECTION 496b. Any board having charge of a free high school or of a high school having a course of study equivalent to the course or courses prescribed by the state superintendent for such schools may establish and maintain a department of manual training in connection with the *high school* under its management, *or in connection with said high school and the three upper grades next below the high school, as said board shall decide.* The expense of maintaining such department shall be provided for in the same manner as other expenses of maintaining * * * *such schools*, and such department shall be under the management, direction and control of such board. The state superintendent shall, so far as his other duties may warrant, give such information and assistance as may seem necessary in organizing and maintaining such departments, and in arranging schemes and outlines of work; and with the aid of the inspector of high schools, *and when occasion shall require it, with the aid of the inspectors of graded schools*, shall have the general supervision of all manual training departments established under this section; and shall from time to time inspect the same, make such recommendations relating to their management as he may deem necessary, and make such report thereon as shall give full information concerning their number, character and efficiency. The state superintendent shall establish a standard of qualification for all teachers in such department, and may grant special certificates to such applicants as are fully qualified to instruct in special lines of manual work, which certificates shall be in such form and for such time as he may prescribe, and shall be regarded as qualifying the holders thereof to teach in any manual training department.

(Ch. 503, 1907.)

Manual training: maximums of state aid. SECTION 496c. Any * * * school whose course of study or outline of work

in manual training has been approved by the state superintendent, and whose teacher has been qualified may, upon application, be placed upon an approved list of schools maintaining manual training departments. A school once entered upon such list may remain there and be entitled to state aid so long as the scope and character of its work are maintained in such manner as to meet the approval of such superintendent. On the first day of July in each year the clerk of each school board maintaining a school on the approved list or the city superintendent of any city where such an approved school is maintained, shall report to the state superintendent in such form as may be required, setting forth the facts relating to the cost of maintaining the manual training department thereof, the character of the work done, the number and names of teachers employed, and the length of time such department was maintained during the preceding year. And upon the receipt of such report, if it shall appear that the department has been maintained in a satisfactory manner for a period of not less than six months during the year, the said superintendent shall make a certificate to that effect and file it with the secretary of state. Upon receiving such certificate the secretary of state shall draw his warrant for *one-half the amount actually expended for instruction in the manual training course during the year for which the state aid is received, not however, to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars if the manual training department shall have been maintained in connection with the high school and the three upper grades next below the high school, but not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars if the manual training department shall have been connected with only the high school.* The sum payable in accordance herewith to be payable to the treasurer of the district or corporation maintaining the school; provided, that the total amount expended for such purpose shall not exceed * * * *twenty-five thousand dollars in any year.*

(Ch. 503, 1907.)

School districts: co-operative engagement of manual training teacher. SECTION 496c—1. By and with the advice and consent of the state superintendent of public instruction, the district board or boards of education of two or three school districts each of which maintains a free high school, may unite in engaging the services of a suitable teacher or teachers of manual training for the purpose of giving instruction in manual training in the school of the districts so uniting. Each of the

school districts so uniting shall pay such share of the salary of the instructor or instructors of manual training as shall be proportionate to the time devoted to instruction in manual training in the schools of each of said districts. Each school district included in such agreement and giving instruction in manual training in accordance with the provisions of this chapter shall receive the state aid provided for in this chapter.

(Ch. 503, 1907.)

Graded schools, second class: principalship requisites.

SECTION 496d. The school board of any school district containing within its limits a graded school but no free high school nor a high school of a grade equivalent to a free high school, town free high schools excepted, may receive special state aid as hereinafter provided upon full compliance with the following conditions:

1. There shall be two classes of state graded schools in Wisconsin, known respectively as first class, and second class; all state graded schools of three or more departments shall be in the first class, and all graded schools of two departments shall be in the second class.

2. Schools shall be maintained in the district receiving such aid, at least nine school months, including legal holidays, in each and every department. At least three departments in schools of the first class and both departments in schools of the second class shall have an average daily attendance of not less than fifteen pupils for the entire school year, to entitle the school to state aid.

3. All persons employed in both classes of graded schools applying for state aid shall be competent teachers and shall hold the following grade of certificate: The principal of a state graded school of the first class shall hold some form of a state certificate. In each school of this class one assistant shall hold a third grade certificate, or a certificate of a higher grade provided such assistant, if holding a third grade certificate shall have had one year's successful experience as a teacher in the public schools of Wisconsin; one assistant shall hold a second grade certificate, or a certificate of a higher grade, and all other assistants shall hold first grade certificates or certificates of the higher grade. The principal of a state graded school of the second class shall hold a first grade county certificate, or some form of a state certificate *and shall have had not less than one year of successful experience as a teacher in a public school,*