

No. 518, A.]

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CHAPTER 551.

AN ACT to create section 579o of the statutes, relating to education of the blind.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section 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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No. 829, A.]

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CHAPTER 552.

AN ACT to add subsections 16, 17, 18 and 19 to section 669; section 1311m; subsection 3 to section 658; sections 1311n to 1311s inclusive; two subsections to section 709; two subsections to section 776; and section 1347m, to the statutes of 1898, and to amend subsection 2, section 715, statutes of 1898, relating to the improvement of roads and bridges by counties.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to section 669, statutes of 1898, four new subsections to read. (Subs. 16, 17, 18, 19.)

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes of 1898, a new section to read: (Sec. 1311m.)

4. It shall be the duty of the inspector to report annually to the superintendent of public instruction as to the condition and progress of the day schools and make such recommendations as he may deem proper for the improvement of the same.

(Ch. 128, 1907.)

Compulsory education of deaf. SECTION 579m. 1. Any parent or guardian having under his control a deaf child between the ages of six and sixteen years who is incapacitated for attending a common school, shall cause such child to attend some public, private, parochial or state school established for the instruction and education of the deaf, for a period of at least eight months during any school year.

2. Any person who shall neglect or refuse to obey the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail, not exceeding three months for each offense.

3. This section shall not apply to any child not in proper physical or mental condition to attend school or receive instruction who shall be able to show a certificate to that effect, signed by a reputable physician in general practice.

(Ch. 128, 1907.)

District attorney to prosecute. SECTION 579n. It shall be the duty of the district attorney upon proper complaint, made by a city superintendent or a county superintendent of schools or the inspector of the day schools for the deaf, to prosecute any parent or guardian failing to comply with this act. The case shall be tried before the county judge and the cost of prosecution shall be added to the fine.

(Ch. 128, 1907.)

City and village schools for the blind: state aid; inspection. SECTION 579o. Sections 578, 579a, 579m and 579n of the statutes, and all acts amendatory thereof, shall, so far as applicable provide for and apply to schools for the blind, and the state superintendent of public instruction may authorize and instruct the inspector of day schools for the deaf, acting under his direction, to inspect day schools for the blind without additional compensation.

(Ch. 551, 1907.)