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CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT to amend subsection 3 of section 1927 and section 1940 of the statutes, relating to the organization and the amendment of the articles of town mutual insurance companies.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 3 of section 1927 of the statutes is amended to read: 3. Such articles of organization shall be subscribed by at least twenty-five persons, residents of the towns therein named, who are owners of at least twenty-five thousand dollars' worth of property which shall be insured by such corporation. * * *

a. Two copies of the original articles, each accompanied by the affidavit of two of the signers thereof stating that they are personally acquainted with the signers and know them to be the owners of property to the amount stated in said articles, which may be insured for said sum, and that such copy is a true and complete copy of the original articles or organization, shall be forwarded to the commissioner of insurance, and if approved by him and the attorney-general, the former shall file one copy in his office and attach to the other copy his certificate of such filing. Such certified copy shall within thirty days be recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which the greater number of the directors named in said articles reside. The register of deeds shall forthwith transmit to the commissioner of insurance his certificate stating the time and place when such copy was recorded, and shall be entitled to a fee of twenty-five cents therefor to be paid by the person presenting the same for record. Upon the receipt of such certificate the commissioner of insurance shall issue a certificate of incorporation.

b. Thereupon the persons subscribing said articles, and such as shall afterwards become insured thereby, shall be a corporation by the name mentioned in said articles with the usual powers and subject to the usual duties and liabilities of a corporation for the purpose hereinafter mentioned.

c. The articles of organization may be amended by a resolution adopted by four-fifths of the votes cast at any annual or special meeting. A notice reciting the proposed amendment shall be given by mail to the members at least thirty days prior to the adoption of any such amendment. The secretary shall

give such notice upon request therefor by ten or more members. Within ten days after the adoption of such amendment two copies thereof and the minutes showing the vote by which adopted, and of the affidavit of the secretary of the mailing of such notice, verified as such by the affidavit of the president and secretary, shall be forwarded to the commissioner of insurance, and if approved by him and by the attorney-general, the former shall file one copy in his office and attach to the other copy his certificate of such filing. Such certified copy shall be recorded as provided for the articles of organization and a like certificate made by the register of deeds.

SECTION 2. Section 1940 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1940. Any such corporation * * * may attach any adjoining town or towns as part of its territory in which it may thereafter do business; provided the town or towns so attached, together with those already within its jurisdiction, shall not exceed * * * *thirty*, except in cases where all such towns shall be within the same county. No town or towns shall be so attached except *by amendment to the articles of organization* * * * ; provided nothing herein contained shall affect any company already doing business outside of the county in which it is organized.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 32.

AN ACT to amend section 4608a of the statutes, relating to the transportation of the dead.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4608a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 4608a. 1. The state board of health is hereby empowered to make such rules and regulations for the transportation of the dead as in its judgment may be necessary to preserve the public health, and no dead body shall be accepted for transportation, except when prepared in conformity to the rules and regulations adopted by said board for the transportation of the dead.

2. All such rules and regulations shall comply with the rules of the American Association of General Baggage Agents, the National Funeral Directors Association, and the Conference of