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CHAPTER 351.

AN ACT to create section 430a—1, of the statutes, providing for holding elections for school officers in districts containing an incorporated village or city of the fourth class.

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: Section 430a—1. (1.) Whenever a petition requesting that an election of school district officers shall be conducted after the manner of voting for village or city officers, signed by not less than twelve qualified voters of any school district in which the school officers are elected by the people, and which contains wholly or partly within its limits an incorporated village, or city of the fourth class, is presented to the clerk of such district he shall at least six days before the time fixed by law for the annual school district meeting, post or cause to be posted in at least six of the most public places in the district notices giving the manner of holding and conducting such election.

(2) The election of school district officers shall be held in some convenient room in the district school building, and if there are two or more school buildings in such district, the notice shall specify in which building the election shall be held, and if the notice does not so specify it shall be understood that the building in which the last annual school meeting was held shall be the building designated.

(3) The election of officers shall be by ballot, and suitable ballot boxes shall be provided therefor. The polls shall be opened at three o'clock in the afternoon of the day fixed by law for holding the annual school district meeting, and shall be closed at seven o'clock of the same day. The time of opening and closing the polls, as well as the place of holding the election, shall be specified in the notice of such meeting, but a failure to so specify the time of opening and closing the polls and designating the place shall not vitiate such election.

(4) The mayor of the city or the president of the village or board of trustees, as the case may be, shall appoint not more than five persons who shall act as inspectors and clerks of this election and who shall make and keep a list of all the electors, men and women, voting at such election.

(5) Immediately after the polls are closed and the ballots

counted, the result shall be declared, and all ballots as soon as counted, shall be sealed in the ballot box and be kept in the custody of the village clerk or the city clerk, as the case may be, for sixty days. As soon as the result of the election is announced, the electors shall organize and conduct the regular and usual business, other than the election of officers, authorized to be done at annual school district meetings.

(6) The privilege of challenging any person as to his or her right to vote at such election shall not be prohibited or restricted.

(7) The amount of compensation paid to the inspectors and clerks of this election shall be one dollar for each such inspector and clerk engaged and acting in conducting this election, said compensation to be paid from any funds in the treasury of the school district not otherwise appropriated.

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

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CHAPTER 352.

AN ACT to amend sections 1787o—3 and 1787o—4, and to create sections 1787o—3a and 1787o—3b, relating to powers of county park commissions.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1787o—3 is amended to read: Section 1787o—3. * * * *To purchase land in fee, by land contract, lease, gift, or otherwise, or by the exercise of the power of eminent domain; and may accept land subject to conditions for maintaining the same forever as a public park, provided such conditions do not interfere with the use of such land for park purposes. All titles acquired shall be acquired in the name of the county, but no land so acquired shall be sold by the county without the consent of the county park commission.*

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 1787o—3a. It shall be the duty of such park commission to preserve and care for, lay out and improve such parks and places, and to make rules for the use and government of the same; such commission shall have power also to connect any road, park or public open space with any other park or public open space, and also with any municipality of such county by a suitable roadway, parkway or boulevard, and for