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CHAPTER 416.

AN ACT to create section 1798m of the statutes, relating to delivery of express at addresses to which United States mail is delivered by urban free delivery.

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 1798m. 1. Every express company doing business within any city in this state where there is now a United States urban free mail delivery, shall make free delivery of all intra-state express matter received by it at such city as the point of destination within the boundaries of such free delivery as now established or as they may hereafter be established. In case a free delivery is hereafter established in any city in this state, then every express company doing business in such city shall make free delivery of all such intra-state express matter as above prescribed, on and after thirty days from the establishment of such free delivery.

2. Every express company violating the provisions of this act shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than fifty dollars and not more than one hundred dollars and costs for each violation thereof. Such forfeiture shall be collected as provided by chapter 142, statutes of 1898, and one-fourth thereof shall be paid to the informer and the balance shall be paid into the school fund; provided, that the provisions of this act shall not be construed to affect the liability of any express company in any action brought to recover actual damages sustained by the plaintiff by reason of its failure to make such delivery or to make a reasonably prompt delivery.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 67.)

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after September 1, 1911.

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CHAPTER 417.

AN ACT to amend subsection 1, of section 23, and section 25 of the statutes, relating to registration of electors and boards of registry.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection 1, of section 23, and section 25 of the statutes, is amended to read: (Section 23) 1. In each year

when a general election is by law required to be held, a registry of electors shall be made in each ward or election district of every city, and in every ward or election district in every incorporated village, which city or village at the last previous census had a population of five thousand or more, and in every town having a population of five thousand or more at such census. And until a census shall be so taken, and the population of such city or village determined as herein mentioned, no registry shall be held or taken therein, or in such towns as aforesaid. *The village board in villages having a population of less than fifteen hundred may adopt the registry, or twenty per cent of the voters in such village, according to the number of votes cast at the last general election, may by a petition to the village president, filed at least forty days before any municipal, judicial or general election, demand a registry for such election.* Such registration shall be made in the manner provided by this chapter.

Section 25. The persons authorized by law to act as inspectors of election in each of such villages, towns, wards or election districts, shall constitute the board of registry therefor. They shall hold their first meeting on Tuesday, four weeks preceding the general election, and may also meet if registration is to be had at municipal or judicial elections in towns having a population of three thousand or more, four weeks preceding such municipal or judicial election, at the place where said election is to be held; and in election districts at which there were polled at the previous general election three hundred votes or less they shall sit for one day, and in districts at which there were more than three hundred votes polled they may sit two days, if necessary for the purpose of making such list. They shall meet at nine o'clock in the forenoon and hold their meeting open until eight o'clock in the evening of each day during which they shall so sit. *In villages where less than two hundred votes were polled at the last general election the board of registry shall only be in session one-half day at each meeting, from two o'clock in the afternoon until eight o'clock in the evening.* The persons appointed to act as clerks of election shall act as clerks of such board on the day of election only. Their proceedings shall be open, and all electors of the district shall be entitled to be heard in relation to corrections or additions to said registry. They shall have the same power to preserve order which inspectors of election have on election days; and vacancies in the board shall be filled in the same manner that vacancies are filled at elections.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with any provisions of this act are repealed in so far as they are inconsistent therewith.

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

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CHAPTER 418.

AN ACT to amend subsection 1, of section 959—411, of the statutes, and to create section 959—41o of the statutes, relating to police and fire commissioners in cities of the fourth class.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection 1, of section 959—411, of the statutes, is amended to read: (Section 959—411) 1. In all cities of the fourth class, however incorporated, *except as hereinafter provided*, there shall be a board of police and fire commissioners consisting of five qualified electors, not more than three of whom shall belong to the same political party when appointed. No salary or other compensation shall be paid to any member of such board. Three members shall constitute a quorum. Members of said board shall be appointed by the mayor in writing, and such appointment filed with the secretary of such board.

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 959—41o. In any city having a population of four thousand or less, sections 959—411, 959—41m and 959—41n of the statutes shall only apply if the common council, by a majority vote and the approval of the mayor, or by a two-thirds vote without such approval, shall adopt said sections.

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

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CHAPTER 419.

AN ACT to amend sections 926—161 and 926—162 of the statutes, relating to free employment offices.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 926—161 and 926—162 of the statutes are amended to read: Section 926—161. There is hereby created not more than four free employment offices in the state, one to be located in conjunction with the state factory inspector's office in Milwaukee, *if practicable, rent for such offices to be*