state or may be acquired under or by virtue of any law of the United States.

Section 11. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 641.

AN ACT to detach certain territory from the town of Vaughn, in Iron county, and to create the town of Oma, to provide for town meetings therein, and for a final settlement between said towns.

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

Section 1. All that tract of country heretofore constituting a part of the town of Vaughn, lying and being in the county of Iron and state of Wisconsin, and known and described as follows, to-wit: All of fractional sections thirty (30) and thirtyone (31), in township forty-six (46) north, of range three (3) east; all of the following described lands in township forty-five (45) north, of range three (3) east, viz.; fractional section five (5), the east one-half and the east half of the west half of section (6), the east one-half and the east half of the west half of section seven (7), fractional section eight (8), fractional section seventeen (17), the east one-half and the east half of the west half of section eighteen (18), fractional section sixteen (16), the east one-half of section nineteen (19), all of section twenty (20), all the fractional sections twenty-one (21) and twentyeight (28), all of section twenty-nine (29), the east one-half of sections thirty (30) and thirty-one (31), all of section thirtytwo (32), all of fractional sections thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), and thirty-six (36); all of township fortyfour (44) north, of range three (3) east, except sections six (6), seven (7), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), thirty (30), and thirtyone (31), and all of township forty-four (44) north, of range four (4) east, is hereby detached from the said town of Vaughn and duly created and constituted as a separate town to be called the town of Oma; and said town is hereby created and organized with all the rights, powers and privileges conferred upon and granted to other towns in the state of Wisconsin, and shall be subject to all general laws enacted for town government therein.

SECTION 2. The first town meeting in said town hereby organized shall be held at Van Buskirk, in said town of Vaughn, and county aforesaid, in the store building of Casper Harper,

situated at said Van Buskirk, the same being located on lot three (3) of section eight (8) in township forty-five (45) north, of range three (3) east, on the day appointed by law for the holding of annual town meetings in the year 1912; and shall, in the manner provided by law, elect town officers for said town, and exercise all other powers and make such provisions for the town government as are now authorized by statute to be exercised and made at the annual town meetings of any town.

Section 3. For the purpose of the election hereinbefore provided the qualified electors of the said town of Oma, assembled at the place aforesaid, shall, between the hours of nine and eleven o'clock, in the forenoon of said day, choose three of their number to act as inspectors of said election, and such inspectors shall, before entering upon their respective duties, severally take the usual oath of office and file the same with their returns; and such inspectors shall respectively canvass and return the votes cast at such election in all respects as provided by law for inspectors at annual town meetings. A town clerk and also necessary clerks of election shall be appointed by said inspectors, or a majority, thereof, to assist said inspectors in conducting said town meetings and in canvassing and returning the votes cast at such election.

Section 4. When said town meeting shall have been held as herein provided, and the town officers required by law duly elected, the said town of Oma shall be deemed and shall be duly organized, and shall possess all the rights, powers, privileges and authority, and shall be subjected to the usual liabilities of other towns in the state of Wisconsin. After the said first town meeting all annual meetings shall be held on the day provided by law for the holding of town meetings in other towns in the state of Wisconsin.

Section 5. Notice of said town meeting shall be given by the posting of a copy of this act in at least six public places in said town of Oma at least ten days before the time of holding said first town meeting, by any duly qualified elector of said town who shall make a proper affidavit of such posting and file the same on the day of said first town meeting with the inspectors chosen to conduct said first town meeting.

Section 6. The electors of said town of Oma, assembled at the place above mentioned, shall have the power at said first meeting to vote to determine upon the adoption of the township system of schools or the school district system, and shall have power to make and levy a tax allowed by law for school purposes, irrespective of the recommendations theretofore made by the school authorities of the present town of Vaughn.

Section 7. The assets and liabilities of the said towns of Vaughn and Oma shall be apportioned to the said town of Oma pro rata in such proportion as the valuation of all taxable property detached from the said town of Vaughn bears to the whole of the assessed valuation of said towns of Vaughn and Oma, according to the assessment roll for the year A. D. 1910.

Section 8. The supervisors of the town of Vaughn and the supervisors of the town of Oma shall, on the 6th day of June, 1911, meet at the office of the town clerk of the town of Vaughn for the purpose of making a settlement between the said two towns according to the provisions of this act; and at such meeting or at any subsequent or adjourned meeting held by said town boards of supervisors, any three of the supervisors shall have full power and authority to send for any persons, books, papers and records necessarily involved in the settlement between said two towns. The town clerk of the town of Vaughn shall be and act as clerk of such joint meeting, and the town clerk of the new town of Oma shall be present and assist; sufficient duplicates or copies of all proceedings had shall be made in order that each town may have at least one for the use and information of the town clerk and town board of supervisors thereof. Each town shall be chargeable with the expense and for the services and per diem of its own officers only.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 162.)

Section 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 642.

AN ACT to create sections 1322m, 1322n and 1322o of the statutes, relating to bridges and culverts.

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

Section 1. There are added to the statutes three new sections to read: Section 1322m. From and after the passage and publication of this act, no iron, steel or concrete bridge or culvert of more than four feet in length of span shall be constructed in any highway in this state unless it shall be designed, according to standard engineering practice, to have sufficient strength to carry, without planking, any load that may be driven or propelled upon, on or along such bridge or culvert, of not more than tifteen tons, and no such bridge or culvert shall be repaired unless such repairs shall leave such bridge or culvert in such condition