

on account of bail furnished in the case of State of Wisconsin, plaintiff, vs. Joseph Finnis Brown, defendant, and forfeited by the circuit court of Milwaukee county by reason of the defendant's failure to appear at said trial.

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

Approved March 21, 1913.

No. 469, A.]

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CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT to create section 493c of the statutes, relating to the government and maintenance of city free high schools in certain cases.

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 493c. 1. The annual district meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business of high school districts, organized as provided in section 490, in cities of the fourth class containing not more than 4,000 inhabitants, which include within their limits the whole or a portion of two different common school districts, shall be held on the last Monday in June at seven o'clock in the afternoon, unless another hour be fixed by a vote recorded at a previous annual or special meeting.

2. The clerk shall give at least six days previous notice of the annual meeting by posting notices thereof in four or more public places in the district, one of which shall be affixed to the outer door of all public schoolhouses within the district; and he shall give like notice for any adjourned meeting if the adjournment be for more than one month; but no annual meeting shall be deemed illegal for want of the notice, unless it shall appear that the omission to give such notice was wilful and fraudulent.

3. Special district meetings may be called by the high school district board when deemed necessary, and shall be called by the clerk, or in his absence by the director or treasurer on the written request of ten legal voters of the district. At least six days' previous notice of any such special meeting shall be given by posting notices, specifying particularly the business to be transacted, in four or more public places in the district, one of which shall be affixed to the outer door of every public schoolhouse within such high school district. Any such special meeting may be adjourned and like notice of such adjourned meeting shall be given. No tax, loan or debt shall be voted at a special meeting

unless notice thereof, stating the time, place and object of such meeting and specifying the maximum amount to be voted, be posted in six public places in said district including one upon the outer door of each public schoolhouse therein and published in all public newspapers in such district at least six days before such meeting, or unless three-fourths of the legal voters of such district shall have been notified, either personally or by leaving such notice at their places of residence at least six days before the time for such meeting.

4. The inhabitants of any such high school district qualified by law to vote at a school district meeting, when assembled at the first and at each annual meeting in their district, or at any adjourned meeting thereof in such a district, shall have all the power relative to their district conferred by section 430 upon inhabitants of common school districts at annual meetings relative to such common school districts; but shall not be limited in the amount of tax to be voted for teachers' wages by the limitation provided in subdivision 6 of said section 430.

5. For the purpose of purchasing a schoolhouse site and providing for and aiding in the erection of high school buildings and furnishing and equipping the same and maintaining a high school, any such school district may, by vote of the electors at an annual or special district meeting called for that purpose, authorize the high school board to purchase a site for schoolhouse and to erect a high school building thereon and furnish and equip the same and to borrow money to an amount which shall not, in any way, exceed the limitation now provided by law.

The resolution to be voted to borrow money shall be in writing and shall specify the amount to be borrowed, the maximum rate of interest allowed to be paid and the time and manner of payment, which shall be in annual installments or otherwise, the last of which shall be payable in not to exceed twenty years from the first day of February next succeeding. By such resolution a tax, to be annually collected, in addition to all other taxes, sufficient to pay when due, the interest annually to grow due on any such loan; and also to pay and discharge the principal thereof by the time the same shall be due, shall be levied. Such resolution shall be read to the meeting and the vote taken thereon by ballot; the ballots shall be written or printed, those in favor of the loan "For the loan," those opposed "Against the loan." The resolution and the vote shall be recorded. If a majority of the ballots cast shall be in favor of the loan, the high school board may borrow such sum of any person on such terms and execute and deliver to the lender such obligation therefor and such security for payment, including a mortgage or

pledge of real or personal property of the district, subject to the direction contained in the resolution by voting, as may be agreed upon, not prohibited by law; or they may issue bonds of such high school district to the amount and according to the directions authorized by such resolution and sell same for the purpose of raising money for the object stated therein. Any bond or other obligation so issued by any high school district board in conformity to the provisions of this act, shall be valid claims against the high school district authorizing the same.

6. The proceeds of the sale of such bonds or obligations shall be paid into the high school treasury and be expended only for the purpose for which the same were voted. After any such bonds or obligations have been issued, no power shall exist to rescind or reconsider any such vote or obstruct the collection of such tax.

7. The purchase of the high school site and the erection of a high school building, when authorized as provided in this act, shall be conducted by the high school board.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved March 22, 1913.

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CHAPTER 17.

AN ACT to appropriate to the Wisconsin memorial park commission a sum of money therein named.

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the Wisconsin memorial park commission out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars, said sum to be expended by said commission for the improvement of memorial park.

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

Approved March 22, 1913.