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CHAPTER 322.

AN ACT to create section 1463o of the statutes, relating to state aid for the Oconto Falls Inter-Township Fair Association, and making an appropriation.

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 1463o. 1. The secretary of state shall audit, as provided in section 1463 of the statutes, the claim of the Oconto Falls inter-township fair association, for state aid for the year 1912, and shall audit the claim of said fair association for state aid each year hereafter that said fair association shall comply with the provisions of said section 1463.

2. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated any amount sufficient to cover the amount of the claims of said fair association.

(See c. 772, s. 4; c. 773, s. 113.)

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

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CHAPTER 323.

AN ACT to repeal section 1529a of the statutes, to repeal chapter 248, laws of 1893, to repeal chapter 393, laws of 1891, to create section 1529a, section 1529a—1, section 172—76, relating to the Wisconsin veterans' home, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1529a of the statutes and chapter 393, laws of 1891, and chapter 248, laws of 1893, are repealed.

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes three new sections to read: Section 1529a. 1. There shall be paid by the state treasurer to the treasurer of the board of trustees of the Wisconsin veterans' home, an institution incorporated under the laws of this state under the auspices of the department of Wisconsin, Grand Army of the Republic, three dollars and fifty cents a week for each inmate and employee in such home.

2. There shall be paid by the state treasurer to the treasurer of the board of trustees of the Wisconsin veterans' home, thirty

dollars for the burial of each deceased inmate of such home who shall be buried in the cemetery of such home.

3. Payments for the burial of inmates shall be made upon monthly bills properly verified by the oath of the president and secretary of said board, stating the name and date of burial of each deceased inmate buried in such cemetery.

4. Payments for the maintenance of inmates shall be allowed only for such inmates and employees as are mentioned in subsection 5 of this section. Such payments for maintenance shall be made upon monthly bills properly verified by the oath of the president and the secretary of said board, stating the name of each inmate or employee for whose maintenance compensation is claimed, the length of time during the month preceding rendition of such bills for which compensation is claimed and such other reasonable information as the secretary of state may require.

5. The allowance provided in subsection 1 of this section shall be for the maintenance of such employees who are actually maintained in said home and for such inmates as are indigent soldiers, sailors, and marines who have been honorably discharged from the service of the federal government who are residents of this state, and such indigent soldiers, sailors, and marines, who shall have served in any Wisconsin regiment, or command or in the navy of the United States being credited to the state of Wisconsin, together with their wives or widows, who are not residents of this state, and who cannot be received into any national home for disabled volunteers, and such indigent women, residents of this state, as were employed as army nurses, and such as are mothers, wives or widows of men who were union soldiers, sailors or marines during the civil war.

Section 1529a—1. 1. The members of the board of trustees of the said Wisconsin veterans' home shall execute to the state of Wisconsin a joint and several bond on their part in the penal sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, with two or more good and sufficient sureties, conditioned that they will faithfully expend and apply moneys appropriated by the state for and to the several objects and purposes for which the same are appropriated, and all moneys received at any time from the state of Wisconsin for the use and benefit of the home, and that they will, in all respects, faithfully discharge their duties as such trustees. And the treasurer of the said board of trustees and of said home shall make and execute to the state of Wisconsin a bond in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars, with two or more sufficient sureties, which bond shall be conditioned that all moneys appropriated by any act of the legislature of the state of Wisconsin, or in any wise derived from the state of Wisconsin, shall be paid

out by him only for the uses and purposes specified in the act making such appropriation, and for the faithful accounting therefor, and the payment to his successor in office as such treasurer or the return to the state treasurer of this state of all moneys so received by him in pursuance of any act of appropriation. The sureties upon such bond shall severally justify their responsibility as such sureties by affidavit affixed thereto, and the total of the amounts in which the sureties to each such bond shall justify shall not be less than double the penalty of said bond, and the said bonds shall be approved by the governor, and filed in the office of the secretary of state. Until the bonds hereinbefore provided shall be each properly made, approved, and filed as so required, no money shall be paid out of the state treasury in pursuance of any act of appropriation by the state, and the treasurer of said Wisconsin veterans' home for the time being, who may receive any moneys so appropriated, shall not, upon the expiration of his term of office, or his resignation thereof or removal therefrom, in any manner pay any moneys so received from the state to his successor until such successor shall have executed and filed an approved bond as herein required, but may discharge himself from further liability by depositing any balance of such moneys in his hands with the state treasurer.

2. If any additional land shall be purchased with the moneys at any time appropriated by the state to the said Wisconsin veterans' home, the title thereto shall be taken to the state and shall be held by and for the uses and purposes of the said home so long as used for the present objects and purposes thereof, and no payment shall be made out of the state treasury or otherwise for any such land until the title shall have been examined and the conveyance thereof to the state of Wisconsin approved by the attorney-general, and every such deed of conveyance shall be immediately recorded in the office of the proper register of deeds by the board of trustees of said home, and thereafter filed with the secretary of state.

3. It shall be the duty of the board of trustees of said home to cause to be kept a true and accurate account of the disbursements of all moneys derived from the state at any time, and annually to make report in writing to the governor, giving a true and itemized account in such form as he may require or prescribe, of all expenditures made of moneys appropriated or in any manner derived from the state, and also of the names and number of inmates, the date of admission, time of occupancy, age, and residence of each, the regiment, company, battery, or other similar organization in which such inmate served during the civil war, or of the person on account of which such inmate was ad-

mitted to the home, and also the names, number and salaries of the officers, employees, and laborers employed in said home, and the fund from which they are paid, and also the total amount of the receipts and expenditures of the said Wisconsin veterans' home, and such other detail pertaining to or affecting expenditures for its maintenance or benefit, as may be required by the governor. Such report shall cover the period of the fiscal year ending June 30, and be submitted on or before the first day of August, each year.

4. The state board of control, or such board as may be by law intrusted with the supervision of state institutions, shall, not less than twice in each year, cause the said Wisconsin veterans' home to be visited by a committee of at least two of the members of such board, who shall carefully examine into the management of said home, its system of accounts and of keeping books, and methods of purchase of supplies therefor, and the manner of their issuance and expenditure, and care and keeping of the inmates of said home, the provision made for the comforts of such inmates, their treatment by officers and employees, and such other details of the management of the said home as they may deem proper to inquire into and as shall be thought likely to promote the objects for which the same is maintained; and they shall make full report thereon to the governor and to the legislature in the manner required by law, and it shall be the duty of the board of trustees and the officers and employees of said home to facilitate such examination and inquiries by disclosing all facts in relation to the same, and exhibiting all books, papers, and vouchers affecting the expenditure of moneys. But this section shall not give to the said state board of control any power of direction or any authority to interfere with the management of the said home by the said board of trustees thereof, established and provided in accordance with the articles of organization and by-laws thereof; it being designed hereby only to enable full and correct information in respect to such circumstances to be presented to the governor and laid before the legislature.

Section 172—76. 1. There is annually appropriated on July first, payable from the general fund, a sum sufficient to carry out the provisions of section 1529a.

2. There is annually appropriated on July first five thousand dollars payable from the general fund to the treasurer of the board of trustees of the Wisconsin veterans' home to be used by said board for property repairs and maintenance.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1913.

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