

have been regularly published during the six months immediately prior to the opening of any regular session of the legislature, with bona fide circulation to actual paying subscribers during all that time of not less than three hundred copies each * * * issue, may republish in such newspaper in the numerical order of their chapters, all of the general laws passed at any such session, which shall be designated by the secretary of state in the official paper as "copy laws," and upon filing with said secretary satisfactory proof by affidavit of such publication, shall be paid one hundred dollars therefor out of the state treasury.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 533.

AN ACT to amend section 1759a of the statutes, relating to the amendment of the articles of organization of corporations and the issue of preferred stock.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1759a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1759a. Any corporation may provide for preferred stock in its original articles or organization, or by amendment thereto adopted by * * * a three-fourths vote of the stockholders, and may, in such original articles or by such amendment thereto adopted by * * * a three-fourths vote of the stockholders, provide for the payment of dividends on such preferred stock out of the profits at a specified rate before dividends are paid upon the common stock; for the accumulation of such dividends; for a preference of such preferred stock, not, however, exceeding the par value thereof, over the common stock in the distribution of the corporate assets other than profits; for the redemption of such preferred stock, and for denying or restricting the voting power of such preferred stock. Neither preferred nor common stock shall bear interest. Certificates of preferred stock and common stock shall state, on the face thereof, all privileges accorded to and all restrictions imposed on preferred stock. No change or amendment in relation to such preferred stock shall be made, except by way of amendment to the articles of organization adopted by * * * a three-fourths vote of the holders of all the outstanding stock, both preferred and common. *The articles of organization may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the*

common stockholders to provide for a second issue of preferred stock, subject to all the rights and equities of the first issue of preferred stock, and when so issued, such second issue of preferred stock shall have plainly printed across the face of the certificates the words "Preferred Stock, Second Issue" and shall recite all the terms, restrictions, and regulations provided in the articles of organization in relation to such second issue of preferred stock.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 534.

AN ACT to amend section 990—10 and subdivision (1) of section 990—17 of the statutes, relating to civil service in the state of Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. Section 990—10 and subdivision (1) of section 990—17 of the statutes are amended to read: Section 990—10. All examinations for positions in the classified service shall be practical in character, and shall relate to those matters which will fairly test the capacity and fitness of the persons examined to discharge the duties of the office or employment sought by them, giving due allowance for experience in the same or similar positions. The competitive examinations shall be free and open to all applicants who are citizens of the United States and of the state of Wisconsin, and who shall have fulfilled the preliminary requirements stated in section 990—11 and shall be held at such times and places as shall, in the judgment of the commission, most nearly meet the convenience of applicants and the needs of the service. Examinations of a technical or special character, or where requirements are peculiarly within the knowledge of the office, institution or department in which appointment is to be made, shall be proposed by the incumbent of such office or head of such institution or department, or by persons having knowledge and experience in the same or similar employments. It is the declared policy of the state that under the operation of sections 990—1 to 990—32, inclusive, there shall be a fair distribution throughout the state of persons accepted for the classified service, and to that end examinations shall be held simultaneously at at least one convenient point in each county of the