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CHAPTER 502.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the estate of Charles F. Viebahn for services rendered the state as a member of the state board of teachers' examiners.

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the estate of Charles F. Viebahn the sum of six hundred eighty-nine dollars and forty-two cents, payable from any moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, for services rendered the state as a member of the state board of teachers' examiners.

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

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CHAPTER 503.

AN ACT creating a joint committee to perfect the drainage laws of this state and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. There is created a special joint committee of the legislature to investigate and examine into the subject of drainage and to perfect bill No. 157, S. introduced at this session of the legislature. Said committee shall consist of seven members, three from the senate and four from the assembly. The three senate members shall be the members recommended by the senate judiciary committee as a committee to perfect said bill No. 157, S. The assembly members shall be appointed by the speaker. Such committee shall report to the next regular session of the legislature its recommendations in bill form.

SECTION 2. The said committee shall organize by electing one of its senate members chairman and one of its assembly members secretary.

SECTION 3. The said committee may hold such meetings at such places in this state and at such times as it shall deem most expedient. A record shall be kept of all proceedings of the committee.

SECTION 4. Each member of the committee shall be entitled to receive his actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred

in the performance of his duties but shall receive no compensation for the time devoted to the work of such committee.

SECTION 5. Such committee is vested with plenary power to perform and discharge the duties by this act enjoined, and a majority thereof shall constitute a quorum. Any member of said committee shall have power to administer oaths to persons appearing before such committee.

SECTION 6. Said committee may by subpoena, issued over the signature of the chairman or acting chairman of the committee and served in the manner in which circuit court subpoenas are served, summon and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of all books, papers, documents, and records necessary or convenient to be examined or used by them in the course of the discharge of their duties. If any witness subpoenaed to appear before said committee shall refuse to appear or to answer inquiries propounded, or shall fail or refuse to produce books, documents, papers and records, within his possession or control when the same are demanded by said committee, such committee shall report the facts to the circuit court of the county in which such examination is being conducted, and it shall be the duty of such court to compel obedience to such subpoena by attachment proceedings for contempt, as in case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such court, or a refusal to testify therein.

SECTION 7. All claims against the state arising under the provisions of this act shall be approved by the chairman and secretary of the committee and shall be audited and paid as other claims against the state.

SECTION 8. There is appropriated to the committee herein created out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of two thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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