

person or persons or that the registry be cancelled and the bond made payable to bearer and thereupon the comptroller of such city shall enter in the register kept for such purpose as provided in subsection one of this section, a notation cancelling the former registry and registering the bond or bonds in the name of the person or persons designated in such request and shall print, stamp or write on said bond a certificate in the same manner as required for an original registry; or if said request is that the bond be made payable to bearer, the notation cancelling said registry shall so state and the comptroller shall certify on the bond that said bond is payable to bearer.

SECTION 2. All laws or parts of laws insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this law, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 281

AN ACT to amend section 1030a of the statutes, relating to assessment districts in cities of the first class.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1030a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1030a. In all cities of the first class, whether organized under general or special charter, the tax commissioner or other head of the taxation department of such city by whatever name he may be known, shall divide such city into sixteen districts for assessment purposes and fix the boundary lines thereof without regard to ward lines, to be approved by the common council. *Whenever any of such districts shall be enlarged by reason of the annexation of territory to the city, the tax commissioner may, with the approval of the common council, re-district the city or so much thereof as he deems necessary in order to equalize the work of the several assessors, or he may, with the approval of the common council create additional assessment districts.* The said tax commissioner shall appoint one assessor for each district who shall be a resident of the district for which he is appointed and hold office in accordance with the civil service laws applicable to such city. They shall devote their entire time and attention to the duties of their office and shall not actively engage in any other occupation, pursuit, business or profession. They shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the commor:

council, payable as salaries of other officers of such city are paid. The term of office of any assessor or assessors in any city to which this law shall be or become applicable shall terminate on the first day of January following the date on which it becomes applicable to such city. If there be a deputy tax commissioner in any such city, he shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the common council.

SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 282

AN ACT to renumber chapter 16 of the statutes, relating to the protection of the public lands, to revise the title of said chapter and to renumber, amend, revise or repeal the sections thereof and certain other sections relating to the same subject.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 16 of the statutes is renumbered to be chapter 26 of the statutes and the title is revised to read:

CHAPTER 26.

PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC LANDS.

SECTION 2. A new section is added to the statutes to read:

26.01 DEFINITION. The word "commission" when used in this chapter without other word or words of description or qualification means the state conservation commission of Wisconsin.

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SECTION 3. Section 240 of the statutes is renumbered to be section 26.02 and is amended to read:

26.02. SEIZURE AND SALE OF MATERIALS. * * *
 The * * * state conservation commission of Wisconsin * * * is empowered to seize or cause to be seized, without process, any lumber, timber, bark, minerals or other materials or property which, without authority of law, has been cut upon, or dug, removed or taken from any of the public lands belonging to this state, and, after appraising such property it shall sell the same at public auction to the highest bidder, under rules and regulations * * * prescribed by * * * the commission. On such sale * * * it may * * * bid * * *