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## CHAPTER 534

AN ACT to amend section 1030a of the statutes, relating to removal of assessors 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. 1. 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, redistrict 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, *except insofar as the same is modified by subsection two.* 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 common 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.

2. *Every such assessor so appointed as provided in subsection one shall be subject to removal from said office only for the causes mentioned in section 1059a and in addition thereto, neglect of duties and incompetency from any cause, drunkenness and intentional insubordination, and then only in the manner provided by subsection three.*

3. *Whenever the tax commissioner ascertains or has good reason to believe that any assessor is guilty of any of the causes*

*for removal mentioned in subsection two, he may immediately suspend such assessor and the tax commissioner shall thereupon within ten days make complaint to the presiding judge of the circuit court for the removal of such assessor and the matters shall be brought on for immediate hearing. The city attorney shall attend and prosecute such proceeding for removal. Unless such complaint is filed by the said tax commissioner within said time, said assessor so suspended shall ipso facto be reinstated without further proceedings. Nothing herein contained, however, shall effect the removal of assessors in the manner and for the causes as provided in section 1059c.*

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 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

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## CHAPTER 535

AN ACT providing for the purchase of the Wisconsin territorial capitol building at Belmont and additional lands thereat, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 1. The governor shall appoint two suitable persons and the state chief engineer to constitute a temporary commission to purchase not to exceed two acres of land at the site of the first Wisconsin territorial capitol building at Belmont, Wisconsin, in addition to the land now there owned by the state; and to purchase the old capitol building there located. Said commission shall be known as the Belmont capitol commission and the members thereof shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed from the funds appropriated by this act their actual and necessary expenses incurred as members of said commission.

2. The land purchased as provided in section 1, shall be used for park purposes in connection with the old capitol building and shall be improved for such purposes by the commission herein created.

3. For the purposes of carrying out the provisions of this act, including the purchase of land, moving of capitol building, improvements thereof, and the payment of the expenses of the commission, there is appropriated out of any money in the