

7 east, in order to make accessible the lands so purchased for exchange.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated from the general fund to the state conservation commission on July 1, 1917, five thousand dollars and on March 1, 1918, not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon July 1, 1917.

Approved July 7, 1917.

No. 704, S.]

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## CHAPTER 602

AN ACT appropriating a sum of money therein named for carrying out the provisions of joint resolution No. 22, S., heretofore adopted, "To create a committee to investigate systems of branding and marketing farm products and auditing."

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the general fund a sum not to exceed five thousand dollars to cover and defray the expenses which may be incurred by the joint committee appointed pursuant to joint resolution No. 22, S., heretofore adopted, in carrying out the provisions of said resolution.

SECTION 2. All bills for expenses of the committee incurred, pursuant to said joint resolution, including witness fees, compensation for assistants, and traveling expenses of the members of the committee, shall be certified by the chairman of the committee, and shall be audited and paid as are other claims against the state.

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

Approved July 7, 1917.

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[Published July 10, 1917.

## CHAPTER 603

AN ACT to amend section 113.14 of the statutes, relating to court commissioners.

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

SECTION 1. Section 113.14 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 113.14. In each county constituting a part only of a judicial circuit, the circuit judge shall appoint such number of court commissioners, not exceeding six, as the proper transaction of business requires, except in counties having a popula-

tion exceeding sixty-five thousand, according to the last census, where the number may be increased to ten. In each county constituting an entire judicial circuit with two or more branches each circuit judge shall appoint one, and if the proper conduct of business requires it, two court commissioners. Each court commissioner shall hold office during the term of office of the judge who appointed him, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, unless sooner removed by the court or judge appointing him, and, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe the constitutional oath of office and file the same duly certified, together with his appointment, in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which he resides. Any woman authorized to practice as an attorney of any court of record, may be appointed and act as a court commissioner. *In addition to the number of circuit court commissioners now provided for by law in the different judicial circuits of the state, there is hereby appointed a circuit court commissioner, for life, any person who shall have served as a judge of any of the courts of record of this state, for a continuous period of fifteen years or more, and who shall have reached the age of sixty-five years; and any such person so appointed circuit court commissioner, upon subscribing the constitutional oath of office, and filing the same duly certified with the clerk of the court of the county in which he resides, shall be duly qualified to act as a circuit court commissioner, under the statutes, with all the rights, powers and duties of circuit court commissioners under the statutes.*

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

Approved July 7, 1917.

No. 44, A.]

[Published July 12, 1917.

## CHAPTER 604

AN ACT relating to the joint committee of the legislature appointed to investigate the subject of "Social Insurance," and making an appropriation and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. The committee of the legislature appointed under the provisions of such joint resolution is hereby authorized and empowered to do all things and perform all acts necessary and convenient to carry out the provisions of such resolution and of this act, and such authorization and power on the part of said committee shall continue after the adjournment of this legis-