

with facilities, appliances, material, equipment and professional skill and assistants provided therefor, subject only to the limitations contained in the next section.

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

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CHAPTER 99

AN ACT to renumber chapter 73d of Wisconsin statutes of 1915 and to renumber and amend or revise the subsections thereof.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 73d of Wisconsin statutes of 1915 is renumbered to be section 34 of the statutes and the title thereof is revised to read:

CHAPTER 34.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING.

SECTION 2. Subsections 1 and 2 of section 1636—250 of the statutes are consolidated and renumbered to be section 34.01 and are revised to read:

34.01 CONSTITUTION OF DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER. A state department of engineering and the office of state chief engineer are created by this chapter; and whenever a vacancy in said office occurs the railroad commission, subject to the approval of the governor, shall appoint and fix the compensation of a state chief engineer to fill the vacancy. The term of such officer shall continue until his successor has been appointed and has qualified, but he may be removed by the governor at any time for good cause, upon hearing.

SECTION 3. Parts of subsections 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of section 1636—250 of the statutes are consolidated and renumbered to be section 34.02 and are revised to read:

34.02 CHIEF ENGINEER, POWERS AND DUTIES. The state chief engineer shall exercise the powers and perform the duties prescribed by this chapter:

(1) To take charge of and supervise all engineering or architectural work performed by or for the state or any department, board, commission or officer thereof.

(2) To furnish engineering and architectural services whenever requisitions therefor are presented to him by any such department, board, commission or officer.

(3) To act and assist any such department, board, commission or officer requesting such cooperation and assistance, in letting contracts for engineering or architectural work authorized by law and in supervising the work done thereunder.

(4) To examine and inquire into the manner of operating all state-owned power and electric plants and pumping and heating stations; and to direct such changes in the methods or processes employed as will result in the most economical and efficient operation thereof.

(5) To appoint, subject to approval of the governor, such expert assistants as shall be necessary to enable him to discharge all of his official duties.

(6) To appoint, subject to the approval of the department, board, commission or officer applying therefor, one or more assistant state engineers for continuous engineering or architectural service with such applicant, whenever such continuous service is needed. Such assistants may be designated by such official titles as will suitably describe or indicate the character of the work to which they are assigned, such as highway engineer, state architect or university architect.

(7) To keep accurate records of the work done by his department and of the expenditures connected therewith.

(8) To prepare an annual report to the governor showing the expenditures of his department and the expenditures on behalf of each department, board, commission or officer for which work has been done; and showing in tabular form the cost of operation per unit of product or service of each power or electric plant, heating or pumping station, operated by any state institution and a summary of the engineering or architectural work performed for the state during the period covered by the report.

(9) To file from time to time in the office of the secretary of state a written appointment of an assistant state engineer to become acting state chief engineer, and to recall such appointment at pleasure. Every such recall shall be in writing and filed with the appointment. During any temporary disability on the part of the state chief engineer or his absence from the state his functions may be performed by such acting officer.

SECTION 4. A part of subsection 6 of section 1636—250 of the statutes is renumbered to be section 34.03 and is revised to read:

34.03 DUTIES OF ASSISTANT ENGINEERS. The assistants appointed pursuant to subsection (6) of section 34.02 shall have charge and supervision of the work of the department, board, commission or officer upon whose application his appoint-

ment was made, subject, however, to the general direction of the chief engineer and the immediate direction of such applicant.

SECTION 5. A part of subsection 3 of section 1636—250 of the statutes is renumbered to be section 34.04 and is amended to read:

34.04 SUPERINTENDENTS OF STATE UTILITIES TO KEEP RECORDS AND MAKE REPORTS. The superintendent or other person having charge of the operation of any power or electric plant, *or any heating or pumping station,* * * * *operated by the state or by any state institution* shall keep accurate records and accounts showing completely and in detail the result of operation of the plant and the cost per unit of its product or service to the state. He shall report * * * to the governing board, * * * body or officers * * * of such * * * department or institution in such manner and at such times as the said chief engineer shall require, the details of the records and accounts *so kept*; * * * and the said governing board, *body or officers* shall transmit these records to the chief engineer who shall cause the information and data reported to him to be compiled * * * in * * * *his* annual report.

SECTION 6. A part of subsection 4 of section 1636—250 of the statutes is renumbered to be section 34.05 and is revised to read:

34.05 CONTRACT WORK, HOW AUTHORIZED, AUDITED AND PAID. Every contract for engineering or architectural work to be done for or furnished to the state or any department, board, commission or officer thereof shall, before it becomes valid or effectual for any purpose, have endorsed thereon in writing the approval thereof of the chief engineer and the governor; and no payment or compensation for work done under any such contract shall be made unless the written claim therefor shall be audited and approved by said chief engineer.

SECTION 7. Parts of subsection 4 and of subsection 7 of section 1636—250 of the statutes are renumbered to be section 34.06 and are revised to read:

34.06 TO WHAT APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE. (1) The cost of services furnished pursuant to subsections (2), (3) and (4) of section 34.02 shall be charged to and paid out of the respective appropriations to the departments, boards, commissions or officers receiving such services, whenever in the judgment of the chief engineer the cost of the service to each can be separately ascertained with reasonable accuracy; and the salaries and compensation of all persons ap-

pointed under the provisions of subsection (6) of said section 34.02 shall be charged to and paid out of the appropriation to the department, board, commission or officer applying for the appointment.

(2) All other salaries, compensation and expense incurred in the due administration of the department of engineering shall be paid out of and charged to the appropriation to that department.

SECTION 8. Subsection 5 of section 1636—250 of the statutes is renumbered and amended to read:

34.07 NO OTHER ARCHITECTS OR ENGINEERS TO BE EMPLOYED OR PAID. * * * No department, board, commission, officer or agent of the state shall employ or expend money for architectural * * * or * * * engineering purposes on behalf of the state except as * * * provided in this chapter. But this * * * chapter shall not * * * impair or affect the power of the governing board or body * * * of any state department or institution * * * to employ * * * superintendents of buildings and grounds, * * * assistants of superintendents, and operatives * * * of * * * any power or electric plant, or of any pumping or heating station * * * operated by such department or institution, and fix their compensation.

SECTION 9. Parts of subsection 6 of section 1636—250 of the statutes are renumbered to be section 34.08 and are revised to read:

34.08 CIVIL SERVICE NOT APPLIED. All persons appointed pursuant to subsections (5) and (6) of section 34.02 shall be exempt from the operation of chapter 16 of these statutes.

SECTION 10. Subsection 9 of section 1636—250 of the statutes is renumbered to be section 34.09.

SECTION 11. All those parts of section 1636—250 of the statutes which have not been incorporated in sections 34.01 to 34.09, both inclusive, are repealed.

SECTION 12. Chapter 500 of Wisconsin session laws for the year 1915 is added to section 4978 of the statutes at an appropriate place according to its number and date as a further act repealed by said section.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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