public utilities subject to the same lien or charge, may be acquired as a single enterprise under any proceeding heretofore begun or hereafter commenced, and the board or council may at any time agree with the owner or owners of any public utility or utilities as to the agreed value thereof, and to contract to purchase or acquire the same hereunder at such value, upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon between said board or council and said owner or owners.

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

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## CHAPTER 208.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 197.04 of the statutes, relating to the discontinuance of condemnation proceedings for the acquisition of public utilities.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 197.04 of the statutes is amended to read: (197.04) (1) Any municipality having determined to acquire an existing plant or any part of the equipment of a public utility as provided by sections 196.01 to 197.10, of the statutes, may discontinue all proceedings to that end at any time \* \* \* within \* \* \* ninety days after the final determination of compensation by the railroad commission by a resolution to that effect by its common council, commission council, village board or town board, provided that such resolution shall not be of force and effect until \* \* ninety days after its passage and publication. If within said ninety days a petition shall be filed with the clerk of such municipality in a city of the first class signed by five per centum and in all other cities by ten per centum of the electors thereof requesting that the question of discontinuing said proceeding to acquire such plant or equipment be submitted to the electors, such question shall be submitted to the said electors at any general election or at any regular municipal election that may be held not less than thirty, and not more than thirty-five, days from

the date of the filing of the aforesaid petition; and if no general election or regular municipal election is to be held within the stated periods, then the governing body of the municipality shall without delay order the holding of a special election for the purpose of submitting to the said electors the question whether the aforesaid resolution shall remain in effect and its adoption be ratified, and such resolution shall not have force or effect unless the votes of a majority of the electors of the municipality voting on such question shall be in favor thereof.

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

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## CHAPTER 209.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 85.04 of the statutes, relating to the registration of motor vehicles, and providing a penalty.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 85.04 of the statutes is (85.04) (1) No automobile, motor truck, amended to read: motor delivery wagon, passenger automobile bus, motorcycle or other similar motor vehicle, or trailer or semi-trailer used in connection therewith, shall be operated upon any highway unless the same shall have been registered or application for registration shall have been made to the secretary of state and the registration fee paid. Any person who shall operate any such vehicle upon any highway after May first, unless the same shall have been registered, or application made, as hereinbefore provided, may be arrested by any sheriff, deputy sheriff, city or village marshal, constable, or any other police officer, and brought before any judge of a court of record or justice of the peace. Such judge or justice shall in addition to imposing the penalty provided by section 85.22 require such person to make application for registration and pay the fee therefor, and two dollars in addition thereto. Such judge or justice shall forthwith forward such application and the fee to the secretary of state and pay the two dollars col-