

the party demanding the appraisal may make application for the appointment of an umpire, in the manner provided in subsection (2) of this section. Such umpire together with the appraiser named by the one party shall thereupon act as a board of appraisers and their award shall be as binding as though both parties had chosen appraisers.

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

Approved June 22, 1931.

No. 726, A.]

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CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT to create section 201.595 of the statutes, relating to fire department dues and providing a penalty.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: 201.595 (1) The owner of any property situated in any city, village or town in this state other than property exempt from taxation by section 70.11 shall, upon demand of the commissioner of insurance, furnish to such commissioner a statement verified by affidavit showing the description and location of the property, the amount of insurance he has effected against loss or damage by fire, the number of the policy or policies and the name and location of the company or companies issuing such policy or policies. If any such statement shall not be made as above required, said commissioner shall cause a demand in writing to be served on the company, corporation, association, individual or individuals so failing to make such sworn statement. Every such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals who shall wilfully make false statement or who shall, for thirty days after such demand, neglect to render such statement shall forfeit fifty dollars and an additional fifty dollars for each day's neglect after the expiration of said thirty days.

(2) If such statement discloses that insurance has been effected in any company not authorized to do business in this state, the commissioner shall and he is hereby authorized and empowered to collect from such property owner an amount equal to two per centum of the annual premium which authorized insurance com-

panies would have charged for insuring such property. Such percentage may be recovered in a civil action brought in the name of the state, and when recovered it shall be payable as fire department dues as provided in section 201.59 to the respective cities, villages and towns entitled to the same.

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

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CHAPTER 310.

AN ACT to amend subsection (20) of section 60.29 of the statutes, relating to fire protection in rural territory.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (20) of section 60.29 of the statutes is amended to read: (60.29) (20) The supervisors of any town may make deposit and payment out of the general fund to any city or incorporated village in said county or in an adjoining county to secure and pay for fire department service in said town or any part thereof, and for the prevention and extinguishment of fires as may be necessary and proper, and in connection therewith may contract for or purchase fire extinguishing apparatus, which may be housed in such city or village and may be manned by its fire department. *If the governing body of such city or village gives its approval, the town may, instead of contracting for fire protection with such city or village, contract for such protection with any private corporation or individual equipped to furnish the same.*

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

Approved June 22, 1931.

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CHAPTER 311.

AN ACT to appropriate an additional one thousand dollars to the contingent fund of the assembly.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows: