

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect October 1, 1935.
Approved July 20, 1933.

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CHAPTER 427.

AN ACT relating to the registration fees of automobiles registered after July first in the current calendar year.

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

SECTION 1. As an emergency measure to encourage owners of automobiles not heretofore registered for the calendar year 1933 to register and use same, and to secure for the state the greatest possible revenue from motor vehicle licenses, the registration fee for each automobile or motor cycle, other than new vehicles, registered subsequent to July 1, 1933, for the calendar year 1933 shall be one-half of the registration fee provided by law for such vehicle. Vehicles may be registered under the provisions of this act although not registered in the calendar year 1932, without proof that they were not used in that year, and this provision shall apply to used cars sold to new owners as well as to vehicles retained by the same owner.

SECTION 2. The secretary of state is authorized to refund that portion of registration fees paid since July 1, 1933, which exceeds the amount required to be paid under this act. Such refund shall be made upon application of the person entitled thereto, such application to be in such form as the secretary of state may prescribe. All refunds hereunder shall be paid from the appropriation made available under subsection (2a) of section 20.04 of the statutes.

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

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CHAPTER 428.

AN ACT to amend subsection (2) of section 48.01, section 166.06, subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 252.07, and to create paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 48.01, subsection (5) of section 57.02 and subsections (9), (10) and

(11) of section 252.07 of the statutes, relating to the creation of one additional branch of the circuit court of Milwaukee county and a department of domestic conciliation in connection therewith, and to provide for powers and duties in relation thereto.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (2) of section 48.01, section 166.06, and paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and subsection (3) of section 252.07 of the statutes are amended to read: (48.01) (2) All courts of record in this state shall have original jurisdiction of all cases of neglected, dependent and delinquent children. The judges of the several courts of record in each county of this state shall at intervals of not less than one year designate one or more of their number whose duty it shall be to hear at such places and times as he or they may set apart for such purposes all such cases; and in case of the absence, sickness or other disability of such judge, he shall designate a judge of any court of record whose duty it shall be to act temporarily in his place. Such court shall be known as the juvenile court. *In counties having a population of five hundred thousand or more and containing an entire judicial circuit for which more than one judge is provided by law, a circuit judge thereof shall be designated and act as judge of the juvenile court in said county according to the provisions of section 252.07.*

166.06 Any judge of a court of record, in vacation as well as in open court, and all court commissioners, except in counties containing cities having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace in all complaints and proceedings arising under this chapter. *Provided that in counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more, such jurisdiction shall be exclusively vested in the circuit court. Said court shall have power to refer in its discretion in order to prevent delay such of said actions for original disposition to any other existing court which had original jurisdiction of such actions in said county until the provisions of this act become effective.*

(252.07) (1) (a) The circuit court of the second judicial circuit consists of * * * *nine* branches, as follows: The branch presided over on January 1, * * * 1933,

By Otto H. Breidenbach, constitutes branch No. 1;
By * * * *Daniel W. Sullivan*, constitutes branch No. 2;
By John J. Gregory, constitutes branch No. 3;
By Walter Schinz, constitutes branch No. 4;
By Gustave G. Gehrz, constitutes branch No. 5;
By * * * *John C. Kleczka*, constitutes branch No. 6;
By *August E. Braun*, constitutes branch No. 7;
By *Charles L. Aarons*, constitutes branch No. 8.

(b) The * * * *election* of the additional circuit * * * *judge* for branch No. * * * 9 * * * of the circuit court of the second judicial circuit are hereby authorized. Said circuit * * * *judge* for branch No. * * * 9 * * * shall be elected by the qualified electors of Milwaukee county at a judicial election to be held in Milwaukee county on the first Tuesday of April, * * * 1934, according to law for the election of circuit judges, for terms commencing on the first Monday of * * * July, 1934, the first term of whom shall last until January 1, 1940, and thereafter the term for such branch shall be for six years.

(3) (a) The circuit judges of any circuit having more than one judge shall meet from time to time and divide the business of the whole circuit, apportioning to each branch its due portion thereof, and to that end they may make such rules and institute such measures as they shall determine will promote justice and expedite business.

(b) *The said judges shall at intervals of not less than once in two years designate one of their number who shall devote his time primarily to the work of the juvenile court and they shall at the same time further designate one of their number who shall devote his time primarily to divorce litigation and to such other work as is incidental thereto and which is generally described as the work of a family or domestic relations court; and the two branches presided over by the judges so designated shall be known as the family court branches. The judges of these two branches shall meet from time to time and divide the work of said branches, apportioning to each branch its due portion thereof. In the case of the absence, sickness or other disability of either one of such judges of such family court branches, such judge shall designate the other judge of such family court branches if available, or otherwise one of the other judges of said circuit, whose duty it shall be to act temporarily in his place.*

(c) All suits, actions, and proceedings in said circuit court arising as follows:

- 1. Under chapter 245 relating to marriage;*
- 2. Under chapter 247 relating to divorce;*
- 3. Under chapter 166 relating to illegitimacy;*
- 4. Under sections 351.30 and 351.31 relating to abandonment of wife and children, also of all assault and battery, common drunk, threatening to kill, where the complainant is a member of the accused's immediate family, whether such cases arise under an ordinance of a city of the first class located therein, or a county ordinance or under a state statute;*
- 5. Pertaining to the determination of the custody of children under eighteen years of age upon writs of habeas corpus;*
- 6. Pertaining to all family and parental affairs not specifically vested exclusively in some other court or branch thereof in the county;*

Shall be first assigned to one of the two family court branches, as may be determined by rules of court.

(d) Either of said judges of said family court branches shall have the power and authority in his discretion to refer for disposition any matter before said branch for which there has been a warrant issued to any court otherwise having jurisdiction over such matters.

SECTION 2. A new paragraph is added to subsection (1) of section 48.01, a new subsection is added to section 57.02 and three new subsections are added to section 252.07 of the statutes to read: (48.01) (1) (d) In counties having a population in excess of five hundred thousand said juvenile court shall have exclusive jurisdiction in adoption matters with the same powers with relation thereto possessed by county courts.

(57.02) (5) In every county having a population of three hundred thousand or more and containing an entire judicial circuit for which more than one judge is provided by law, said circuit court therein shall possess with relation to its criminal jurisdiction the same powers, duties and authority with relation to suspension of sentence, probation, paroles and pardons as possessed by the municipal court of such county, except that the probation officers of the juvenile court in said county shall be the probation officers of the circuit court in said county.

(252.07) (9) (a) *Department of domestic conciliation.* In every county having a population of five hundred thousand or

more and containing an entire judicial circuit for which more than one judge is provided by law, there is created a department of domestic conciliation. Said department shall be under the direction and supervision of a director of domestic conciliation. Said director of domestic conciliation, through his respective assistants shall:

1. Receive all domestic complaints and make a proper disposition thereof;

2. Make investigations of the facts upon which to base warrants in the cases hereinbefore specified and in all other matters duly referred to said department;

3. Exercise such supervision in connection with the exercise by said court of its jurisdiction as the judges thereof may duly order.

(b) All persons in this department shall keep such records as may be provided by the rules of the judges of the family court branches of said court. Whenever the judges of said family court branches deem publication of matters before them contrary to public policy they may by order close the files thereof and make such other orders in their discretion as may be in the interest of children in such matters and the public morals.

(c) Said department of domestic conciliation shall have such men and women investigators as may from time to time be provided by the county board of supervisors of such county. Said investigators shall be appointed as provided by the board of supervisors of such county under the laws governing civil service in such county.

(d) The officers to assist the director of the department of domestic conciliation in carrying out the supervision and control imposed on him by this section shall be the probation officers of the juvenile court. The county board of supervisors of such county shall provide for such additional probation officers of the juvenile court as shall be necessary to carry out the intent of this act. Such additional probation officers shall be appointed jointly by the judges of the family court branches of the circuit court, under the laws governing civil service in such county.

(e) The county board of supervisors of such county shall provide for such assistance, stenographical and otherwise, as shall be necessary to assist the director of domestic conciliation in carrying out the purposes of this act particularly in regard to the proper disposal of domestic complaints. Such director and all other persons in said department shall be appointed by the judges

of the family court branches of the circuit court, except in cases otherwise expressly provided for, under the laws governing civil service in such county.

(f) All public officers in said county shall refer all domestic complaints made to them to said director of the department of domestic conciliation who shall dispose of all matters before it in proper manner.

(10) The board of supervisors of said county shall furnish said courts and said department of domestic conciliation, the judges, officers and employes thereof with suitable accommodations, adequately centralized and consolidated, and with the necessary furniture and supplies and make provision for its necessary expenses and operation.

(11) The board of supervisors and county civil service commission shall make suitable reclassifications in positions in said county to accomplish the purposes of this act.

SECTION 3. All sections of this act shall take effect upon July 1, 1934, except section 1 hereof which shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 429.

AN ACT to amend subsections (6) and (7) of section 201.39 of the statutes, relating to interinsurance.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 201.39 of the statutes are amended to read: (201.39) (6) The attorney in fact shall have on hand at all times assets in cash or securities authorized by the laws of the state in which the principal office of the exchange is located for the investment of funds of insurance companies doing the same kind of business an amount equal to one hundred per cent of the net unearned premiums or deposit collected and credited to the account of subscribers, or fifty per cent of the net annual advance premium or deposits collected and credited to the account of subscribers on policies having one year or less to run, and pro rata on those for a longer period. In addition to the foregoing * * * there shall be * * * *maintained* in cash or such securities assets * * * *sufficient to dis-*