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CHAPTER 599.

AN ACT to amend 20.25 (1) and 39.14 (1) (a), (3), (4) and (7) of the statutes, relating to supervising teachers and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 20.25 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.25 (1) Beginning July 1, * * * 1949, * * * \$775,000 for the salaries and expenses of supervising teachers as provided in section 39.14 (6) and (7) for the biennium ending June 30, * * * 1951.

SECTION 2. 39.14 (1) (a), (3), (4) and (7) of the statutes are amended to read:

39.14 (1) (a) The county superintendent *in the name of the county* shall * * * *contract with* a supervising teacher, and, if there are more than 120 departments under his supervision, he shall employ 2 supervising teachers. *The contract shall provide for a leave of absence for the supervising teacher by reason of actual personal sickness, without deduction from salary of such teacher at the rate of at least 5 days per year and accumulation of 30 days of unused sick leave from year to year.* Any county that was entitled to employ 2 supervising teachers during the school year 1945-1946 shall continue to be entitled to employ that number until such time as the number of departments shall drop below 100. A single room school shall be considered as one department and a multiple room school shall be considered as having as many departments as there are elementary teachers where each has under his individual control, management, direction and instruction, wholly or principally, a collective body of pupils assembled in a room or rooms and such teacher is wholly or chiefly responsible for such control, management, direction and instruction and whose duty it is to keep a complete and special school register for his room or department.

(3) A supervising teacher must have taught at least 3 years, one of which was in the elementary schools, and hold a state license to teach based upon * * * 4 or more years of professional training in an accredited teacher training institution. Such train-

ing shall contain a minimum of 20 credit hours in elementary education, *and a minimum of 6 hours credit in elementary school supervision.* This requirement shall not act to disqualify any person employed as a supervising teacher at the time this statute is enacted.

(4) The supervising teacher shall, under the direction of the county superintendent, supervise and assist the school teachers in her district, devoting special attention to the less experienced teachers; assist in organizing the schools, classifying them according to the work done, and in grading pupils. She shall stimulate interest among the pupils, teachers and parents in agriculture and other subjects pertaining to rural communities and shall consult and advise with school boards. She shall report weekly to the county superintendent the schools visited, the time spent in each school, the names of school officers she met, the number of pupils enrolled, the number present, her opinion of the order, discipline, grading and spirit of the school, and such other information as may be required by the county superintendent. When the schools are not in session, she shall visit the homes in her district to promote a general educational interest and to increase her personal knowledge of the rural school, its needs and accomplishments and report the same to the county superintendent, and shall perform such other work as the superintendent may direct. She shall * * * attend * * * *institutes and conferences* called by the state superintendent, but she shall not be reimbursed for expenses incurred in attending such institute until she shall have filed with the county clerk a certificate of attendance signed by the state superintendent.

(7) On receipt of such report, and it appearing from an actual inspection by direction of the state superintendent that the work of such supervising teacher has been efficient, and that she has devoted her time exclusively to the duties of the position, the state superintendent shall certify in favor of the county which employed her, the amount of the salary paid but not to exceed an amount to which such teacher shall be entitled under a salary schedule for supervising teachers to be adopted and promulgated by the state superintendent of public instruction which shall provide for a salary range of from * * * \$2,500 to * * * \$4,000 per year, varying with length of service and professional training. The county shall also be entitled to reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses paid to her in the year preceding, and file it with the director of budget and accounts, whereupon he shall draw his warrant for the amount of the certificate and in favor of the proper county treasurer.

Approved August 2, 1949.
