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## CHAPTER 522

AN ACT to amend 83.08 (1); and to create 83.07 (1a) of the statutes, relating to acquisition of land for highways.

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

SECTION 1. 83.07 (1a) of the statutes is created to read:

83.07 (1a) The county highway committee or town board may purchase or accept donation of remnants of tracts or parcels of land remaining at the time or after it has acquired portions of such tracts or parcels by purchase or condemnation where in the judgment of such committee or board such action would assist in rendering just compensation to a land owner, a part of whose lands have been taken for highway purposes, and would serve to minimize the overall cost of such taking by the public.

SECTION 2. 83.08 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

83.08 (1) The county highway committee may acquire by gift, devise, purchase or condemnation any lands or interests therein for the proper improvement, maintenance, relocation or change of any county aid or other highway or street or any bridge thereon which the county is empowered to improve or aid in improving or to maintain. The county highway committee may purchase or accept donation of remnants of tracts or parcels of land remaining at the time or after it has acquired portions of such tracts or parcels by purchase or condemnation where in the judgment of such committee such action would assist in rendering just compensation to a land owner, a part of whose lands have been taken for highway purposes, and would serve to minimize the overall cost of such taking by the public. Whenever the committee deems it necessary to acquire any such lands or interests therein for any such purpose, it shall so order and in such order or on a map or plat show the old and new locations and the lands or interests required, and shall file a copy of the order and map with the county clerk. The committee shall endeavor to obtain easements or title in fee simple by conveyance of the lands or interests required, at a price, including damages, deemed reasonable by the committee. The instrument of conveyance shall name the county as grantee and shall be filed with the county clerk and recorded in the office of the register of deeds.

Approved August 2, 1955.