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CHAPTER 250

AN ACT to amend 59.075 (1) and (4) (a) of the statutes, relating to employes and publications of the metropolitan study commission.

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

59.075 (1) and (4) (a) of the statutes are amended to read:

59.075 (1) There is created in every county having a population of 500,000 or more a commission to be known as the metropolitan study commission, herein called the "commission" consisting of 15 members called commissioners, each a resident of such county appointed by the governor. The commission shall be composed of 12 citizens at large and 3 officials either elective or appointive, one from a city of the first class, one from a city other than a city of the first class, and one from a village or town. The citizens at large members shall hold no other appointive or elective public office but shall have demonstrated an interest in the problems of local government and knowledge thereof. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner that the original appointments are made. A vacancy shall exist when any member fails to meet the requirements necessary to qualify for an

original appointment. The chairman of the commission shall be designated by the governor. The commission may elect * * * one or 2 vice chairmen and a secretary from among its members and may adopt rules of procedure. No compensation shall be paid the commissioners, but they shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel and other expenses necessary in the performance of their official duties. The commission may employ a research director * * * and such professional assistants and consultants as may be required outside the classified service and such clerical personnel as may be required within the classified service. It may conduct its work through committees appointed by the chairman subject to confirmation by a majority of the commission. * * * The chairmen and members of such committees need not be members of the commission, but must be residents of or be employed in Milwaukee county. The existence of the commission shall terminate on July 1, 1961, or upon completion of its studies if prior to that date.

(4) (a) The commission shall annually submit to the governor, on or before October 15, a written report covering the results of its studies containing findings, conclusions and recommendations. A copy of such report shall be mailed to the chairman of the board of supervisors of the county, the mayor of each city, the president of each village and the chairman of each town board in such county, and upon request to each member of any intergovernmental committee established in such county to consider countywide problems relating to governmental services. The commission may also publish and circulate maps, atlases and bulletins containing information relating to its studies whenever such publication is deemed to be in the public interest. Such publications shall be furnished free upon request to any municipality, governing body or elected public officer within the jurisdiction of the commission and may be sold to the public at a price to be fixed by the commission, which price shall not be less than cost.

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