

1979 Senate Bill 252

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CHAPTER 307, Laws of 1979

AN ACT to amend 62.50 (23) of the statutes, relating to police and fire departments in 1st class cities.

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

SECTION 1. 62.50 (23) of the statutes is amended to read:

62.50 (23) DUTIES OF CHIEF. The chief engineer of the fire department and the chief of police of ~~said cities~~ a 1st class city, shall be the head of their respective departments. The chief of police shall cause the public peace to be preserved and see that all laws and ordinances of the city are enforced. The chief shall be responsible for the efficiency and general good conduct of the department under his or her control. The chief of each department shall ~~have the power to regulate his or her respective department and shall~~

prescribe rules for the government of its the members of the department. Any rule ~~or regulation~~ prescribed by a chief shall be subject to review and suspension by the board. The board may prescribe a rule to replace any rule the board suspends. A chief may not suspend any rule prescribed by the board. The board may prescribe a procedure for the prescription of rules by a chief or by the board and for the review and suspension of rules by the board. Such procedure may include, without limitation because of enumeration, a provision that a rule not take effect until the rule is reviewed and approved by the board. The rules of each department shall be available to the public at a cost not to exceed the actual copying costs. Each of the chiefs shall have the custody and control of all public property pertaining to their respective departments and ~~everything connected therewith and belonging thereto~~. They shall have the custody and control of all books, records, machines, tools, implements, and any apparatus of every kind whatsoever necessary for use in each of the departments.
