

property pursuant to joint resolution No. 1, S., and joint resolution No. 7, S. The account for said statutes shall be audited by the secretary of state, on its approval by the said superintendent, provided that the cost thereof shall not exceed four dollars and fifty cents per volume.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages.

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

Incorporation of villages under revised statutes and all acts amendatory thereof, legalized.

SECTION 1. There shall be a section of the revised statutes, to be numbered 853a, which shall read as follows: All villages heretofore incorporated under and by virtue of any general act, particularly under the provisions of chapter 52, of the revised statutes of 1849, chapter 70, of the revised statutes of 1858, or chapter 40, of the revised statutes of 1878, and all acts amendatory thereof, and all villages organized under special laws, which have heretofore attempted to reorganize under any general law of this state, including the acts above particularly referred to, or which have organized under such attempted incorporation, and have acted as villages in attempted pursuance of the acts mentioned or any general law of this state, and all alterations of their boundaries, and additions thereto are hereby declared to be, and to have been duly and lawfully in-

incorporated, made or adopted, and such villages shall possess, and there is hereby conferred upon them with such enlarged or diminished boundaries, all the franchises, rights, powers, privileges and immunities conferred by any of the acts above mentioned, to the same extent as though the said acts had been fully and completely valid. All villages attempted to be organized under any of the said acts, but whose organization shall, for any reason, have been incomplete, imperfect or informal, but which have acted as villages under the said laws, are also declared to be municipal corporations to the same extent as the villages hereinbefore mentioned, and to have all the powers, privileges, franchises and immunities aforesaid. All and singular the acts of the said villages, whether made or taken by the electors or taxpayers thereof, or the village board or officers are to such extent hereby legalized, ratified and confirmed. All contracts, bonds, grants, conveyances and obligations made or entered into by the said villages are hereby ratified and confirmed to the extent that the same would have been of force had the said acts of the legislature been valid and said organizations regular. All conveyances and grants made to the said villages are also declared to be valid, and are to the same extent ratified and confirmed. The action of all officers of the said villages, judicial, ministerial or otherwise, are hereby declared valid, to the same extent. All duties, obligations and liabilities assumed by any of the said villages, and all causes of action existing against them are hereby declared valid and efficient to the like extent. All ordinances, regulations, rules, resolutions, by-laws and other acts, legislative or otherwise, of any such villages are hereby declared valid to the extent above mentioned. And in all other respects, whether herein mentioned or referred to or not, the said villages are deemed to be and to have been lawfully incorporated and organized, having the same

rights, powers, duties, obligations and liabilities as if the same had been lawfully incorporated and organized as aforesaid.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 6.

AN ACT making the general terms of court in each county in the sixteenth judicial circuit a special term for all the other counties in said circuit.

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

Terms in all counties of the 16th circuit made special.

SECTION 1. Every general term of court in each of the counties included in the sixteenth judicial circuit, shall be a special term for all other counties in said circuit.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from an after its passage and publication.

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