

him to the governor on or before the tenth day of December, containing an account of all matters pertaining to this office for the biennial period and the substance of all legal opinions rendered by him on matters of public interest, together with an index of the same.

Number of copies to be printed. SECTION 2. This report shall be published by the commissioners of public printing in the public documents of the state and there shall also be published by the commissioners of public printing one thousand separate copies to be bound in cloth, of which number one hundred and fifty copies shall be delivered to the attorney general for distribution, and the balance shall be delivered to the superintendent of public property and distributed by him as and in the manner provided by law for the distribution of reports of the other elective state officers.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 95.

AN ACT to enable cities of the fourth class to build and maintain public water and electric lighting works.

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

Cities may own personal and real property for purpose of act.

SECTION 1. Every city of the fourth class in the state of Wisconsin, whether operating under a general or special charter, is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase, lease or construct steam power or water power for the purpose of maintaining and operating for public use, lighting plants and water works, and for such purpose may lease, purchase and hold the necessary real and personal property.

Authority granted by act to be authorized by vote of people.

SECTION 2. The authority and power granted in section one of this act shall be exercised only when the same shall have been

ratified by a two-thirds vote of the voters in such city at a special election called for that purpose, as special elections are now authorized to be called, providing however, that no such exercise of power shall require the expenditure of a sum greater than three per cent. in any one year on the taxable property of said city.

Conflicting laws repealed. SECTION 3. All laws interfering with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to amend section 935 of the statutes of 1898, relating to the annual reports of free public libraries.

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

When and what to report. SECTION 1. Section 935 of the statutes, is hereby amended by adding after the words "annual report," in the second line, the words "on or before the first day of July in each year," and at the close of the section the following words: "and they shall send one copy of this report to the Wisconsin free library commission." The said board shall also include in the said annual report the names of the directors whose terms expire at the time the report is made," so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 935. The said board of directors shall make an annual report, on or before the first day of July in each year, to the council or proper board stating the condition of their trust, the various sums of money received from the library fund and all other sources, and how much money has been expended, the number of books and periodicals on hand, the number added during the year, the number lost or missing, the number of books loaned out, and the general character of such books, with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest, and