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CHAPTER 444.

AN ACT to create section 1379—31cm, of the statutes, providing for the purchase of machinery by drainage districts.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read:

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SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts conflicting herewith are repealed.

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

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No. 714, A.]

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CHAPTER 445.

AN ACT to amend section 450a, statutes of 1898, relating to examinations and to transfer and renewal of teachers' certificates.

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

SECTION 1. Section 450a, statutes of 1898, as created by section 2, chapter 439, laws of 1901, is amended to read:

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(In effect July 1, 1907.)

Foreign languages and English branches; periods and hours in district schools. SECTION 447. Orthogaphy, ortheopy, reading, writing, grammar, geography, arithmetic, elements of agriculture, history of the United States, constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state, and such other branches as the board may determine, shall be taught in every district school. All instruction shall be in the English language, except that the district board or the board of education may, in their discretion, cause any foreign language to be taught by a competent teacher to such pupils as desire it, not to exceed one hour * * * *per day or the equivalent thereof, such instruction shall be given during such period or periods of the school year as the district board or board of education may determine; provided that the usual instruction in the regular common school branches shall at all times be offered and given in English to any pupil or pupils desiring such instruction. And provided further that every pupil shall devote at least one-half of the school day to the study of English branches.* District boards, town boards of school directors and boards of education may provide for kindergartens, for instruction and training of primary grades, in separate departments or otherwise.

(Ch. 200, 1907.)

Life of teachers' certificates; progressive examinations, grade to grade. SECTION 450a. 1. It shall not be lawful for any county superintendent to endorse a certificate issued by any other county superintendent, nor to extend the life of any certificate beyond the limits fixed by law. The papers written in any examination shall not be used as the basis for issuing a second certificate, which shall have the effect of extending the life of the certificate first issued thereon, *except as hereinafter provided.* But in any examination for a second certificate, when the applicant has taught successfully in the superintendent district for one school year on a certificate previously issued by him, the superintendent may, in his discretion, accept standings on papers written by the applicant in the preceding examination not to exceed five in number, in lieu of a re-examination in the subjects for which standings are so accepted.

2. *The superintendent may allow any person while holding an unexpired certificate of the third grade, or a county training school certificate to write on any two or more of the additional branches demanded for a certificate of the second grade.*

If the applicant is then successful in securing the required standing in any two of said second grade branches, the superintendent shall issue to said applicant a new third grade certificate based upon the previous examination or upon the county training school certificate good for one year, and if on or before the expiration of such new third grade certificate, the applicant completes the second grade examination, the superintendent may grant him a certificate of the second grade without limitation. If at any time during the life of the second grade certificate, any applicant shall successfully write in the additional branches demanded for a first grade certificate, the superintendent may issue such first grade certificate without limitation.

(Ch. 445, 1907.)

Repeal: Section 458, A. (By Sec. 1, Ch. 579, 1907. New section with same number created by section 2 of said chapter.)

Teachers' state certificates of other states; acceptance in Wisconsin; special licenses. SECTION 458a. The holder of a teacher's state certificate granted by another state, which is equivalent to the Wisconsin unlimited state certificate, may receive from the state superintendent, upon the recommendation of the Wisconsin state board of examiners, a Wisconsin unlimited state certificate. The applicant shall furnish such evidence of learning and good moral character as the board may require, and also of two years' successful experience in teaching in the public schools of Wisconsin subsequent to the date of issuance of the foreign state certificate. The holder of such state certificate upon which a Wisconsin state certificate has not been issued in accordance with the provisions herein mentioned, may, upon the recommendation of the state board of examiners, be granted a special license by the state superintendent, said special license legally qualifying the holder to teach for two years in a public school in Wisconsin.

(Sec. 2, Ch. 579, 1907.)

Repeal: Section 458b (By Sec. 1, Ch. 579, 1907. New section with same number created by section 2 of said chapter.)

Normal graduates, kindergarten course: teaching licenses and certificates. SECTION 458b. The state superintendent shall issue to the holder of a diploma, granted by the board of regents of normal schools to any person who completed the kindergarten training course established by said