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**CHAPTER 388.**

AN ACT to repeal sections 516 to 553, inclusive, and to create section 516 of the statutes, relating to the township system of school government.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Sections 516 to 553, inclusive, of the statutes, are repealed.

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to be designated and to read: Section 516. 1. Whenever the township system shall be abolished in any town, the town board of supervisors of said town shall meet for the purpose of creating and forming suitable independent districts. Such meeting shall be held between the first day of March and the first day of June, 1912. Due notice giving the time and place (day and hour) of such meeting shall be given in writing to each school officer in the town, and a copy thereof shall be posted in at least four public places in each subdistrict, and another copy affixed to the outer door of each schoolhouse in the town, not less than ten, nor more than fifteen days previous to the day of meeting fixed in the notice. If one or more weekly newspapers are published in the town, publication of the notice in such paper or papers for at least two consecutive weeks immediately preceding the meeting shall answer in place of service and posting of notices.

2. The supervisors shall grant a public hearing and when the hearing is closed they shall at once proceed to create one or more suitable independent districts making the order to take effect on Saturday, June 22, 1912, and the date for the first district meeting shall be the first Monday in July at seven o'clock in the afternoon. When assembled at such meeting the electors shall have power to elect a clerk for one year, a treasurer for two years and a director for three years, and to transact any and all other business provided for by section 430 of the statutes and its various subsections or divisions. If a town operating under the township system is indebted to the state or to any individual, firm or corporation, the supervisors shall determine the amount of such indebtedness due from each new district and certify such amount to the clerk of the new district and file their determination in the office of the town clerk. It shall be the duty of the town clerk to send at once a certified statement of the indebtedness as apportioned to the different districts, to the individual, firm or corporation, or the secretary of state, as the case may be.

and it shall also be the duty of the town clerk to place in the tax roll annually, the amount of principal and interest to be collected from each district to meet its obligations.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 61.)

3. In cases where there are joint subdistricts between two or more towns, one or both under the township system, the boundaries of such subdistrict shall not be affected by the order made to go into effect June 22, 1912, but it shall be organized as other independent districts, and shall constitute an independent joint district, the boundaries of which may be changed later by the proper authorities under the statutes providing therefor. The order creating and designating a district shall, if practicable, use the number of the subdistrict abolished and the notice to the taxable inhabitant shall be given by the supervisors of the town in which the schoolhouse is located, and if there be more than one schoolhouse, by the supervisors of the town in which the oldest schoolhouse is located.

4. It is further provided that the supervisors are not limited in determining the area of any school district formed under this act, but no school district shall be formed that does not at the time of its formation have residing within its boundaries at least fifteen persons of school age. Be it also understood that the electors of any school district shall have full power, at any annual or special district meeting, to select as many schoolhouse sites and to direct the school board to erect as many school buildings in different parts of the district as may be needed to accommodate the school population, or to provide transportation for any or all children, or children only residing more than one and one-half miles from the school.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after March 1, 1912.

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## CHAPTER 389.

AN ACT to amend subdivision 5, of subsection 1, of section 4563b—1, of the statutes, relating to the taking, catching or killing of wild geese and brant on the frozen waters of the state during the open season.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Subdivision 5, of subsection 1, of section 4563b—1, of the statutes, is amended to read: (Section 4563b—1. 1. (5)