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**CHAPTER 30.**

AN ACT to create section 517 of the statutes, providing for the condemnation of school buildings.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 517. 1. The inspector of rural schools, the inspectors of state graded schools, and the inspector of high schools of the state, in addition to their other duties are hereby made inspectors of public school buildings. Said inspectors shall act under the direction of the state superintendent, and under such regulations as may be established by him.

2. Whenever any county or district superintendent, city superintendent, member of a school board or board of education, or any voter of a school district, or a member of a board of health, shall make a complaint in writing to the state superintendent that any building used for or in connection with any public school in his county, district, city, village, or town, as the case may be, is in an unsanitary condition, or that the conditions are such as to endanger the life and health of the children attending school, or that the schoolhouse is unfit for school purposes, one of said inspectors designated by the state superintendent shall personally investigate and examine the premises and buildings concerning which said complaint is made.

3. Upon such investigation and examination said inspector shall, if conditions warrant it, make an order directing the school board, the board of education, or other officer or officers having control of the school district or school corporation, to repair and improve such building or buildings as may be necessary, and to place said buildings in a safe and sanitary condition; or if said inspector shall deem the schoolhouse unfit for school purposes and not worth repairing he shall state said fact and recite the reason therefor.

4. The said inspector shall file said order in the state superintendent's office, and cause true copies thereof to be delivered, by mail or otherwise, to the clerk of the district board, the clerk of the board of education of the district or school corporation where such schoolhouse and premises are located, and shall deliver as provided herein copies of said order to the proper county, district or city superintendent, and also the clerk of the town, city, or village in which the schoolhouse is located.

5. The said order shall state the time in which it shall be com-

plied with, and shall take effect from its date, and shall continue in force and full effect until reversed. The decision of the inspector may be appealed from to the state superintendent in the time and manner now provided for taking appeals to said superintendent, and the decision appealed from shall be stayed, pending such appeal.

6. Whenever any school district, school corporation, school board, or board of education, shall refuse to comply with the order of said inspector within the time herein specified, such school district or school corporation shall forfeit absolutely its apportionment of the fund derived from the seven-tenths mill tax, provided for in section 1072a of the statutes, and amendments thereto, and shall continue to so forfeit its regular apportionment of such fund until there is full compliance with the requirements of said order, unless the electors of said school district shall vote to instruct the school board to close the district school and provide transportation and tuition for all children of school age in the district desiring to attend school at some neighboring school or schools, as provided for in section 496q of the statutes.

7. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to interfere with the operation of the provision of subsection 3 of section 461 of the statutes, relating to the duties of county superintendents of schools, or with the provisions of section 1418b of the statutes, relating to the inspection and regulation of the sanitary conditions of schoolhouses by boards of health.

SECTION 2. All acts, orders, and decisions rendered under the provisions of and made since the passage and publication of sections 524m—1, 524m—2, 524m—3, 524m—4, 524m—5, 524m—6, and 524m—7 of chapter 550, laws of 1909, are legalized and validated.

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

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## CHAPTER 31.

AN ACT to amend subdivision (3) of subsection 1 and subsection 5 of section 4565c—5 of the statutes and to create a new subdivision to be numbered (7) to subsection 1 of section 4565c—5 of the statutes, relating to killing of muskrats.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (3) of subsection 1 and subsection 5 of section 4565c—5 of the statutes are amended to read: (Sec-