

otherwise appropriated from the general fund of the state treasury, an amount sufficient to meet all claims accruing under the provisions of this section.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved May 18, 1917.

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CHAPTER 233

AN ACT to amend section 4438h of the statutes, relating to the making of false statements.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4438h of the statutes is amended to read: Section 4438h. Any person who shall, directly or indirectly, designedly make or cause to be made any false signed statement in writing, in reference to his assets or liabilities, or both, or the assets or liabilities of any firm or corporation of which he may be a member, stockholder, officer or employe, whether made to a mercantile agency or otherwise, for the purpose of *securing fidelity or surety bonds or* procuring credit in any form, or for the purpose of procuring any extension of credit already given, provided such statement is relied upon and actual financial loss is thereby sustained by the person, firm or corporation so relying upon such statement, shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not more than one year or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 234

AN ACT to amend subdivision (1) of section 776 of the statutes, relating to powers of town meetings to raise money for town and school purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (1) of section 776 of the statutes is amended to read: (Section 776) (1) To vote to raise money for the repair and building of roads or bridges, or either; for the support of the poor and defraying all other charges and expenses of the town; provided, however, that the total taxes levied in

any town for any one year for all town purposes, exclusive of school taxes and liabilities heretofore lawfully incurred, shall not exceed in the whole, one per centum of the total assessed valuation of such town for the preceding year, as equalized by the town board of equalization, unless a larger sum is needed for the building or repairing of highways or bridges, in which case the electors may vote and the proper authorities may levy, not to exceed one-fourth of one per centum in addition to the aforesaid one per centum; provided, further, that not exceeding two per centum additional may be levied for school purposes when under the township system of school government. *Provided, that in a town having income taxes in its treasury the same may be expended for town and school purposes, regardless of the foregoing limitation.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 235

AN ACT to create section 1417m of the statutes, relating to social diseases.

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: Section 1417m. 1. Any person afflicted with gonorrhoea or syphilis in its infective or communicable stage is hereby declared to be a menace to the public health. Any physician licensed to practice medicine in this state who is called upon to attend or treat any person infected with gonorrhoea or syphilis in its communicable state, shall report to the state board of health in writing, at such time and in such manner as the state board of health may direct, the age and sex of such person and the name of the disease with which such person is afflicted. Such report shall be made on blanks furnished by the said board.

2. Every physician treating venereally-infected individuals shall fully inform such persons of the danger of transmitting the disease to others and he shall advise against marriage while the person has such disease in a communicable form.

3. Whenever any person afflicted with gonorrhoea or syphilis ceases taking treatment before he or she has reached the stage of the disease where it is no longer communicable or whenever any individual has been informed by a licensed physician that such individual is afflicted with gonorrhoea or syphilis in the