

lien on the products so inspected, and when collected shall be paid within one * * * month after receipt into the general fund, and are appropriated therefrom for defraying the expenses incident to such inspection; but any unused balance of this appropriation remaining at the end of each fiscal year shall revert to the general fund, and in case of any deficit existing at the end of any fiscal year, there is appropriated from the general fund such additional sum as may be necessary to meet such deficit. Of this appropriation there is allotted:

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1917.

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CHAPTER 510

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 20.26 of the statutes, relating to state aid to consolidated schools.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (1) of section 20.26 of the statutes is amended to read: (20.26) (1) Annually, on July first, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, for special state aid to partially defray the cost of erecting and equipping a school building in each consolidated rural school district formed by the uniting of the schools of two or more school districts as provided by law. Of this there is allotted to each such consolidated district one-half the cost of erecting and equipping its school building; but not exceeding one thousand dollars for a school of one department; fifteen hundred dollars for a graded school of two departments; two thousand dollars for a graded school of three departments; three thousand dollars for a graded school of four or more departments in a consolidated district formed by uniting the schools of three or more districts; or five thousand dollars for a graded and high school in a consolidated district formed by uniting the schools of all the districts of a township. Such special state aid shall be paid only upon compliance with sections 496—7 and 496—8 of the statutes and shall be certified by the state superintendent to the secretary of state. *The provisions of this subsection shall apply to each school district in which there are two or more school buildings located two or more miles apart when by a vote of the electors such buildings are abandoned for school purposes and such schools are united in one central state graded school. When such central school building is erected and the schools of such district are united and maintained in such central school, such school district shall be deemed*

a consolidated district and each school abandoned and united in such central school shall be deemed the equivalent of a school district participating in such consolidation.

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

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CHAPTER 511

AN ACT to amend the first paragraph of section 6.50 of the statutes, relating to the challenging of electors.

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

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 6.50 of the statutes is amended to read: (6.50) (First paragraph) Each inspector shall, and any elector of the county may, challenge every person offering to vote whom he shall know or suspect not to be duly qualified as an elector. If such a person is challenged as unqualified, one of the inspectors shall tender to him the following oath or affirmation: You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will fully and truly answer all such questions as shall be put to you touching your place of residence and qualifications as an elector of this election; and shall thereupon put questions as follows:

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

Approved June 27, 1917.

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CHAPTER 512

AN ACT to repeal section 1363, and to create a new section of the statutes to be renumbered section 1363, relating to drainage ditches.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1363 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to be numbered and to read: Section 1363. 1. Wherever and whenever a drainage ditch laid out under the town drainage law shall cross a public highway in existence before said ditch is constructed or laid out after said ditch is constructed the town shall as its share of the cost of construction and maintenance of said ditch pay the cost of digging and maintaining the same