

said property is located, shall be considered sufficient notice to said nonresident owner.

3. The supervisors of said town at any regular meeting may hear and determine such petition and if such petition be presented in due form, as herein prescribed, and accompanied by proper proof of service of the notice herein required to be served upon persons refusing or failing to consent to such taxation and if said supervisors after hearing petitioners and any persons appearing in opposition to said petition and upon being fully advised determine that said petition should be granted, they may grant the same and authorize the levying of a special tax to defray the cost of such fire protection upon and against all the taxable property in any quarter section or quarter sections of land described in such petition and adopt and pass a resolution to such effect and cause such resolution to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting of said supervisors at which such determination is made.

4. The expenditure authorized by the town board of supervisors as to one or any number of quarter sections in such town shall be made and paid by said supervisors out of the general fund and, upon the levying and collection of the special tax authorized by such petition and proceedings thereupon taken to be levied for such purpose, shall be repaid to the general fund.

SECTION 2. All acts and portions of acts conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 381.

AN ACT to amend subsection (2) and to create subsection (3) of section 6.35 of the statutes, relating to the opening and closing of election polls.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (2) of section 6.35 of the statutes is amended to read: (6.35) (2) Providing that in cities having a population of less than five thousand inhabitants and in towns and villages the electors thereof may, by petition, directed to the city council, town or village board, extend the time during which said polls shall remain open to an hour not earlier than six o'clock in the morning, nor later than eight o'clock in the evening. Such petition shall be signed by at least twenty voters of

such city, town or village and filed with the clerk thereof not less than twenty nor more than ninety days prior to the holding of * * * any regular election. The time fixed in said petition for the opening or closing of the polls shall become effective from and after the date of the filing thereof.

SECTION 2. A new subsection is added to section 6.35 of the statutes to read: (6.35) (3) The provisions of subsections (1) and (2) as to the time of the opening and closing of polls and to the extension of such time by petition shall apply to the September primary excepting that in towns the polls during such primary shall be opened at nine o'clock in the morning and closed at eight o'clock in the evening, unless a petition as provided for in subsection (2) is filed with the town clerk in fixing such time at not earlier than nine o'clock in the forenoon and not later than five-thirty o'clock in the afternoon. The time fixed in said petition shall become effective from and after the date of the filing thereof.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 382.

AN ACT to create section 2024—28n and section 2024—77r of the statutes, relating to the consolidation of banks.

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

SECTION 1. Two new sections are added to the statutes to read: Section 2024—28n. (1) That any two or more banks located within the same county, city, town or village may, with the approval of the commissioner of banking, consolidate into one bank under the charter of either existing bank on such terms and conditions as may be lawfully agreed upon by a majority of the board of directors of each bank proposing to consolidate and be ratified and confirmed by the affirmative vote of the stockholders of each such bank owning at least two-thirds of its capital stock outstanding, at a meeting to be held on call of the directors, after sending notice of the time, place and object of the meeting to each shareholder of record by registered mail at least thirty days prior to said meeting; provided that the capital stock of such consolidated bank shall not be less than that required under existing law for the organization of a state bank in the place in which it is located; and provided further that when such consolidation shall have been effected and approved