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CHAPTER 403.

AN ACT to repeal subsection (2) of section 46.01; to amend subsection (1) of section 46.01, section 46.02, and paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 20.17 of the statutes; and to create subsections (2), (5), (6) and (7) of section 46.01 of the statutes, relating to the state board of control.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (2) of section 46.01 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. Subsection (1) of section 46.01, section 46.02, and paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 20.17 of the statutes, are amended to read: (46.01) (1) To secure the just, humane and economical administration of the laws concerning the charitable, curative, reformatory, and penal institutions of this state, there is hereby constituted a board of * * * *three* members, *one of whom shall be a woman*, which shall be known as the "State Board of Control of Wisconsin". The board shall be a body corporate, and, in addition to the functions expressly authorized by law, shall have all powers necessary to the full and complete performance thereof. *Such board shall have a seal, with the words "State Board of Control of Wisconsin", and such other design as the board may prescribe, engraved thereon, by which it shall authenticate its proceedings, and of which the courts shall take judicial notice.*

46.02 Said board shall be provided with a room or rooms in the capitol as its office. * * * The board shall be supplied with all necessary furniture, blanks, blank books and printing. It may subscribe for not more than two hundred copies, in any one year, of the proceedings of the national conference of charities and corrections, and may purchase books or periodicals for its library at a cost not to exceed one hundred dollars per annum.

(20.17) (1) (a) To * * * *each* * * * *member* of the board, an annual salary of * * * *five thousand* * * * dollars.

SECTION 3. Four new subsections are added to section 46.01 of the statutes, to be numbered and to read: (46.01) (2) Immediately after the passage and publication of this act, the governor shall, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appoint such members, but no member so appointed shall be qualified to act until so confirmed. The term of the first appointee shall terminate on the first Monday of February, 1921;

the term of second such appointee shall terminate on the first Monday of February, 1923; and the term of the third such appointee shall terminate on the first Monday in February, 1925. In January, 1921, and biennially thereafter, there shall be appointed and confirmed in the same manner, one member for the term of six years from the first Monday in February of such year. Such member so appointed shall hold his office until his successor is appointed and qualified. Any vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by the senate, but any such appointment shall be in full force until acted upon by the senate. Each member shall receive an annual salary of five thousand dollars, and his actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties.

(5) The governor may at any time remove any member for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office. Before such removal he shall give such member a copy of the charges against him, and shall fix a time and place when he can be heard in his own defense, which shall be not less than ten days thereafter, and such hearing shall be open to the public. If he shall be removed, the governor shall file in the office of the secretary of state a complete statement of all charges made against him, with a record of all proceedings, and his findings thereon.

(6) The members first appointed under this section shall, within ten days after their appointment and confirmation, meet at the capitol and organize by electing one of their members president, who shall serve until the second Monday in February, 1921. On the second Monday of February in each odd numbered year the members shall meet at the office of the board and elect one of their members president, who shall serve for two years, and until his successor is elected. A majority of said members shall constitute a quorum to transact business, and any vacancy shall not impair the right of the remaining members to exercise all the powers of the board.

(7) The board, shall at their first meeting, and at each biennial meeting thereafter, appoint a secretary, fix his compensation, and prescribe his duties.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of making and confirmation of appointments to said board, this act shall take effect upon passage and publication; but for all other purposes, this act shall take effect upon July 1, 1919.

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